

AM3268 – Filter Bank

Analog Tunable 288.0 to 578.0 MHz Lowpass

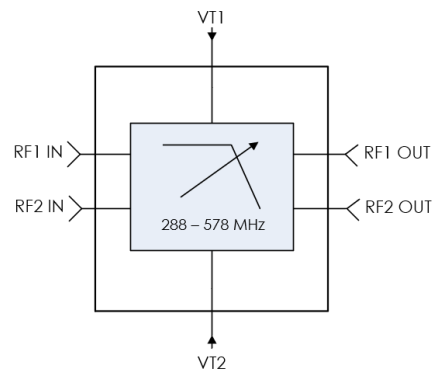
AM3268 is an analog voltage-tuned low pass filter with an adjustable corner between 288 and 578 MHz.

AM3268 contains two different frequency bands controlled by a single analog voltage input. Band 1 has a variable corner frequency between 288.0 and 443.0 MHz, and band 2 has a variable corner frequency between 381.0 and 578.0 MHz. The tunable low pass filter can be combined with one of Mercury's tunable high pass filters to provide a flexible bandpass filter solution.

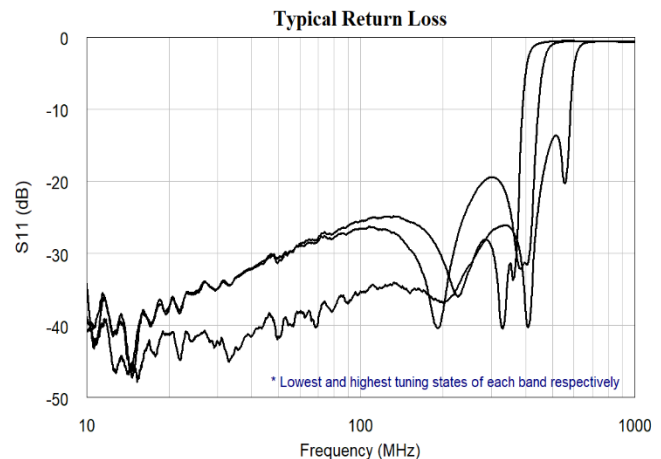
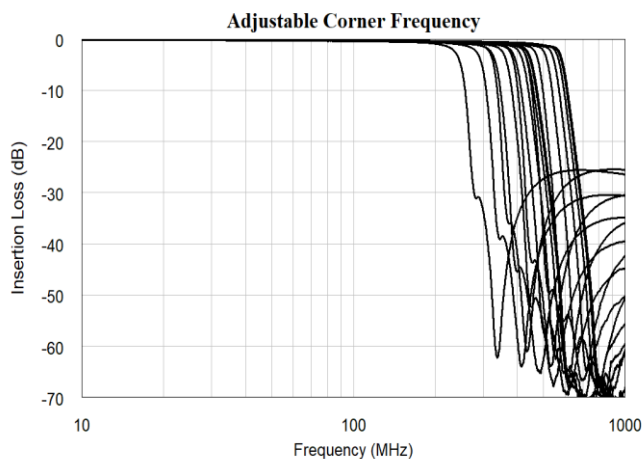
FEATURES

- Analog Tuning
- 0.45 dB typical insertion loss
- 1 V to 8 V tuning voltage range
- -40 °C to 85 °C operation
- 4 mm QFN package

FUNCTIONAL DIAGRAM



CHARACTERISTIC PERFORMANCE





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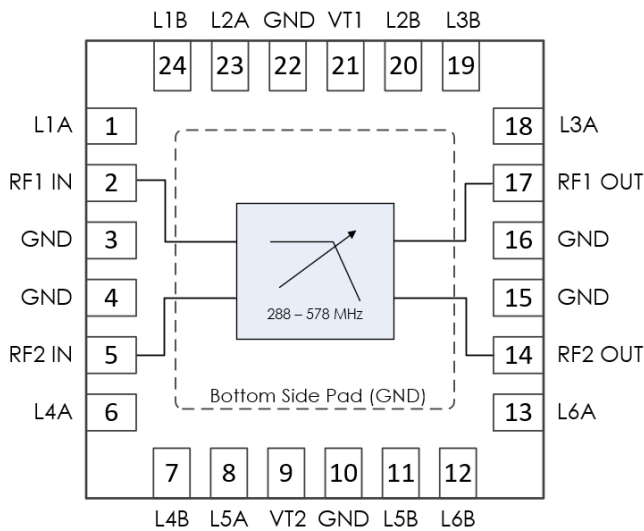
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REVISION HISTORY

Date	Revision	Notes
8/15/2025	1	Initial Revision

PIN LAYOUT AND DEFINITIONS



Note: RF inputs, outputs are DC coupled to ground via a resistor. External DC blocking caps required if an external non-zero voltage is present.

Pin	Name	Function
1, 24	L1A, L1B	L1 Connection
2	RF1 IN	Band 1 RF Input - 50 Ohms - DC Coupled
3-4	GND	Ground - Common
5	RF2 IN	Band 2 RF Input - 50 Ohms - DC Coupled
6-7	L4A, L4B	L4 Connection
8, 11	L5A, L5B	L5 Connection
9	VT2	Band 2 Tuning Voltage Input
10	GND	Ground - Common
12-13	L6B, L6A	L6 Connection
14	RF2 OUT	Band 2 RF Output - 50 Ohms - DC Coupled
15-16	GND	Ground - Common
17	RF1 OUT	Band 1 RF Output - 50 Ohms - DC Coupled
18-19	L3A, L3B	L3 Connection
20, 23	L2B, L2A	L2 Connection
21	VT1	Band 1 Tuning Voltage Input
22	GND	Ground - Common

SPECIFICATIONS

Absolute Maximum Ratings

	Minimum	Maximum
Control Voltage	0.0 V	+12.0 V
RF Input Power		+27 dBm
Storage Temperature Range	-55 °C	+150 °C

Note: Any device operation beyond the Absolute Maximum Ratings may result in permanent damage to the device. The values listed in this table are extremes and do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond what is listed under Recommended Operating Conditions. Any part subjected to conditions outside of what is recommended for an extended amount of time may suffer from reliability concerns.

Handling Information

	Minimum	Maximum
Moisture Sensitivity Level	MSL 3	



Mercury products are electrostatic sensitive.
Follow safe handling practices to avoid damage.

Recommended Operating Conditions

	Minimum	Typical	Maximum
Control Voltage	1 V		8 V
Operating Case Temperature	-40 °C		85 °C

RF Performance

(T = 25 °C unless otherwise specified)

Param	Testing Conditions	Min	Typical	Max
Frequency Range	Band 1, 1-8 V	288 MHz		443 MHz
	Band 2, 1-8 V	381 MHz		578 MHz
Insertion Loss	Band 1		-0.45 dB	
	Band 2		-0.45 dB	
Return Loss	Band 1		-32 dB	
	Band 2		-35 dB	

Timing Characteristics

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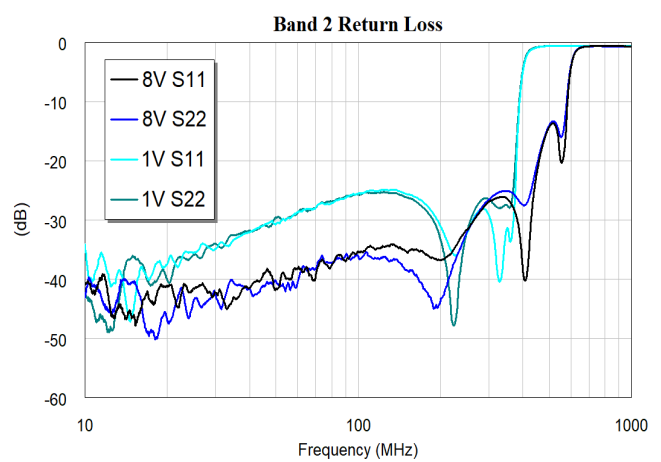
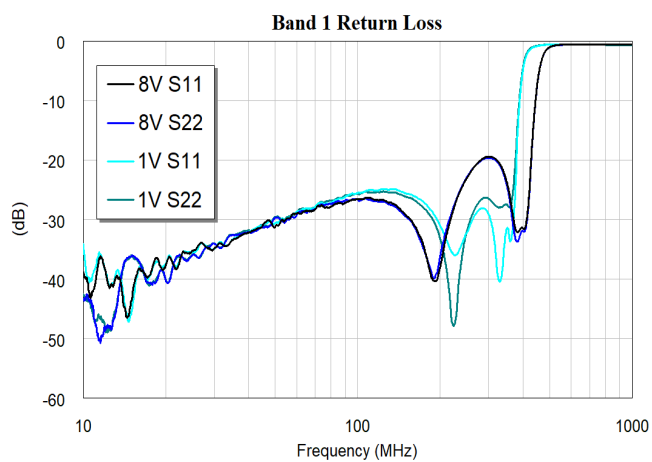
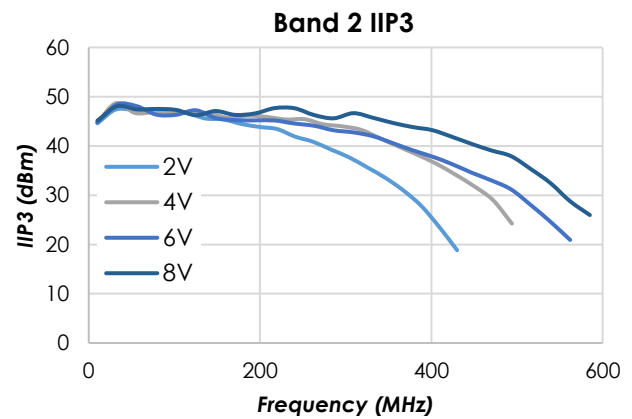
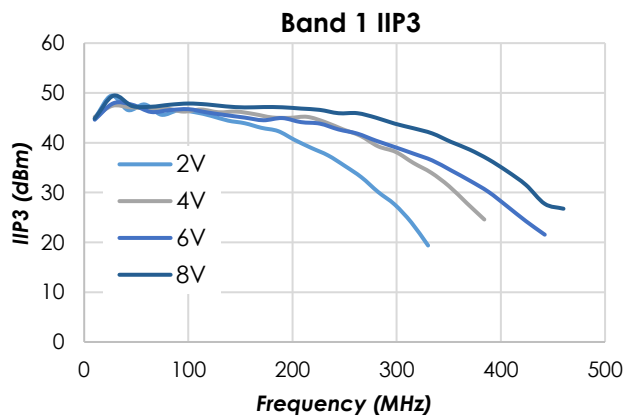
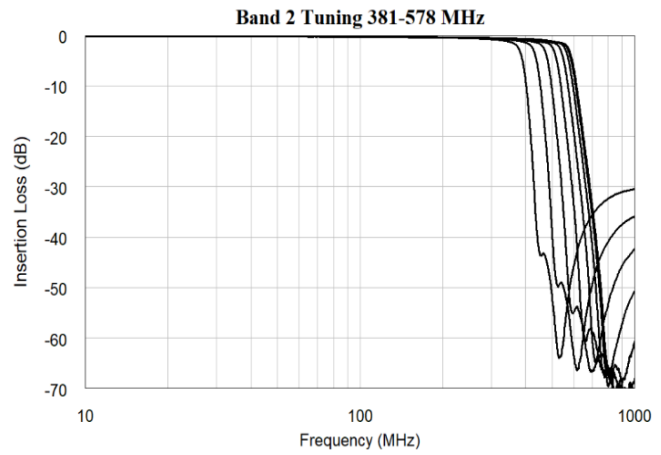
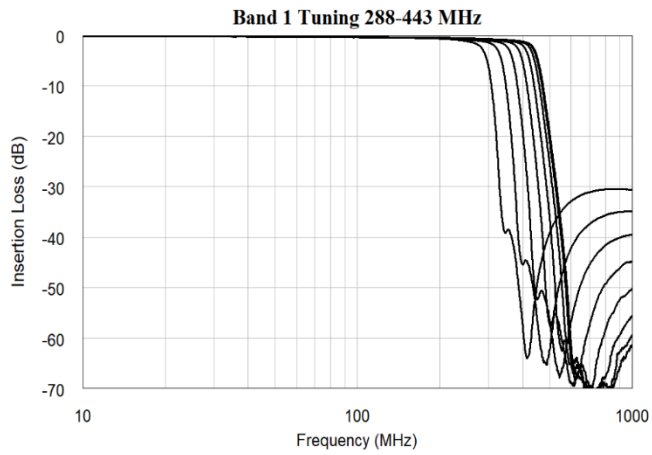
Param	Min	Typical	Max
Band 1 Tuning Rate ¹ , Rise ² (Out of Band -> In Band)		363 ns/V	4.6 μ s/V ⁴
Band 1 Tuning Rate, Fall ³ (In Band -> Out of Band)		1 μ s/V	
Band 2 Tuning Rate, Rise (Out of Band -> In Band)		253 ns/V	4 μ s/V ⁴
Band 2 Tuning Rate, Fall (In Band -> Out of Band)		818 ns/V	

Notes:

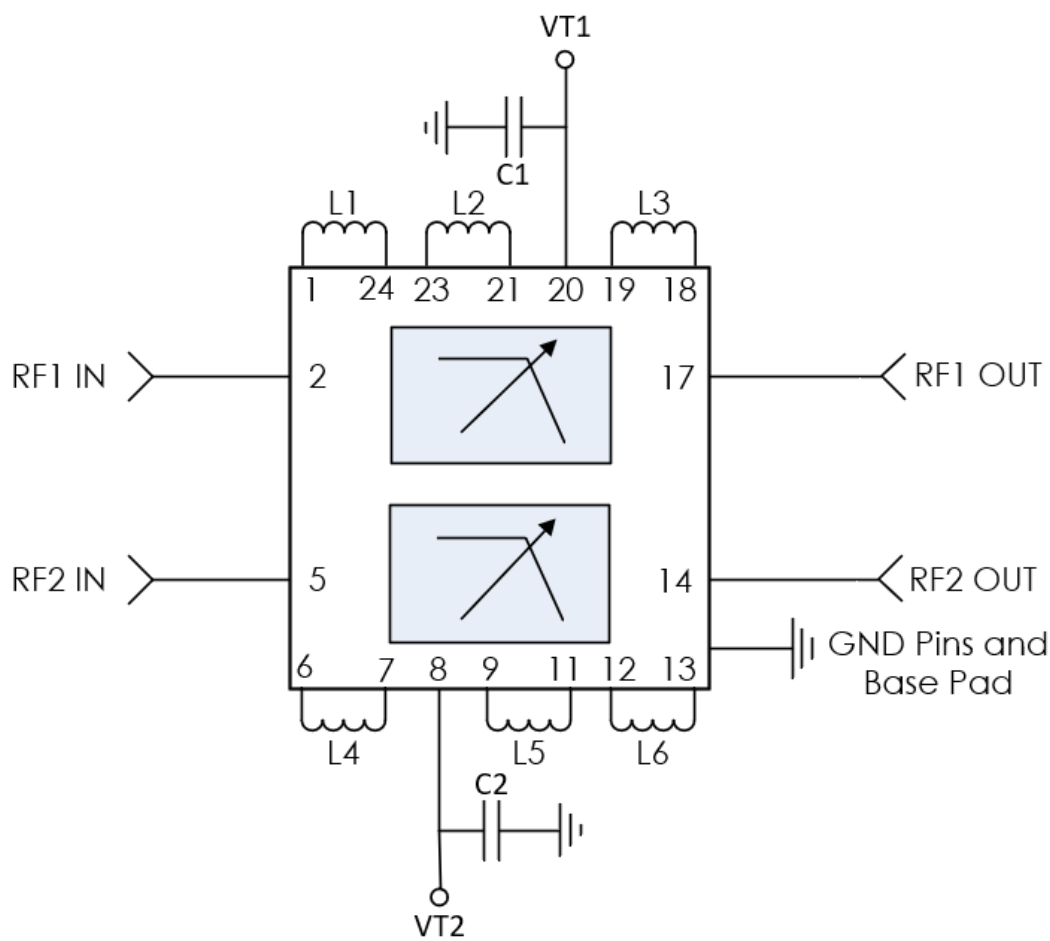
1. Tuning Rate = the time it takes the filter response to tune to the new corner frequency per unit change of the control voltage.
2. Tuning Rate Rise measured as 50% VT to over 90% RF.
3. Tuning Rate Fall measured as 50% VT to 10% RF.
4. Maximum value describes settling time to reach 100% RF in cases of prolonged settling.

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE

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TYPICAL APPLICATION



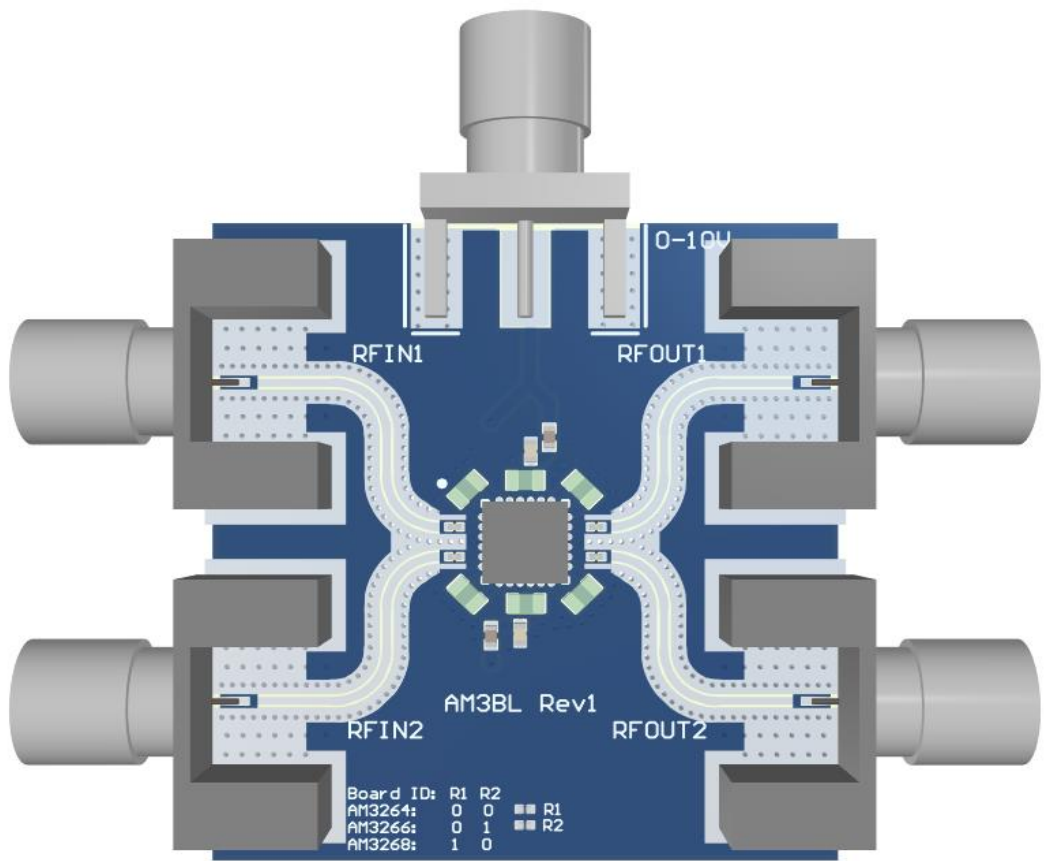
RECOMMENDED COMPONENT LIST (OR EQUIVALENT)

Part	Value	Part Number	Manufacturer
C1, C2	0.1 μ F	GRM155R71H104KE14D	Murata Electronics
L1, L3	18 nH	0603DC-18NXGRW	Coilcraft
L2	20 nH	0603DC-20NXGRW	Coilcraft
L4, L5, L6	15 nH	0603DC-15NXGRW	Coilcraft

Notes:

1. L1-L6 should be as close to the package as possible to minimize trace length between inductors and package.
2. Select C1 and C2 values based on desired logic source decoupling and tuning speed.
3. There is a 20 k Ω resistor internally in series for each band.
4. RF inputs, outputs are DC coupled to ground via a resistor. External DC blocking caps required if an external non-zero voltage is present.

EVALUATION PC BOARD



RELATED PARTS

Part Number				Description
AM3263	90 MHz	to	167 MHz	Analog Tunable Highpass
AM3264	103 MHz	to	191 MHz	Analog Tunable Lowpass
AM3265	159 MHz	to	299 MHz	Analog Tunable Highpass
AM3266	177 MHz	to	344 MHz	Analog Tunable Lowpass
AM3267	269 MHz	to	486 MHz	Analog Tunable Highpass

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Polybrominated Diphenyl ethers (PBDE)	<1000 PPM (0.1% by weight)
Decabromodiphenyl Deca BDE	<1000 PPM (0.1% by weight)
Bis (2-ethylhexyl) Phthalate (DEHP)	<1000 PPM (0.1% by weight)
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