

### **UHF AM/FM Transmitter**

### **Description**

The U2740B-B is an one-chip multi-purpose UHF ASK/FSK transmitter IC designed for various applications within a wide frequency range. When a Chip-Select (CS) signal is supplied, the IC starts operation (Power-up, XTO, VCO, PD) and the VCO is then locked to  $128 \times f(XTO)$ . The locked status is indicated at the Lock-Detect (LD) output.

The digital data is supplied to either an AM- or FM-input pin, the output power being set via the AM-input pin. A differential output enables simple applications with loop antennas. An output driver (XTO\_out) can be used for clocking the microcontrolller.

#### **Features**

- One-chip solution with few external components
- Wide frequency range (200 to 500 MHz)
- Single voltage supply (2.2 to 5.5 V) with power-down feature
- Adjustable output power with differential output for loop antenna
- PLL lock-detect signal
- XTO output for μC clock
- ESD protection according to MIL–STD. 883 (except Pins 1, 2, 13 and 14)
- Low standby current <0.25  $\mu$ A for  $V_S = 3 \text{ V}$
- Single lithium-cell operation

## **Applications**

- Keyless entry (automotive, domestic,...)
- Alarm systems
- Remote control
- Communication systems

### **Ordering Information**

Extended Type Number	Package	Remarks
U2740B-BFP	SO16	

### System Block Diagram

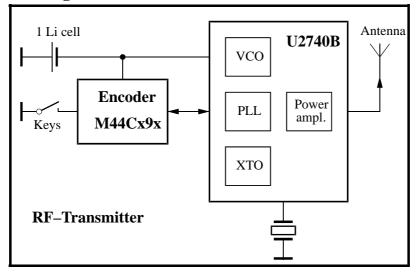


Figure 1. System block diagram

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## **Pin Description**

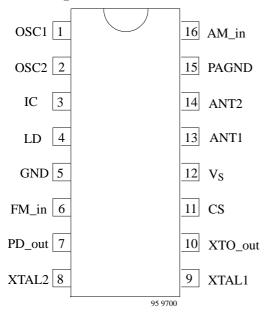


Figure 2. Pinning

Pin	Symbol	Function
1	OSC1	VCO tank
2	OSC2	VCO tank
3	IC	Internally connected
4	LD	Lock-detect (open collector)
5	GND	Ground
6	FM_in	FM modulation input
7	PD_out	Phase detector output
8	XTAL2	FM modulation capacitor
9	XTAL1	XTAL
10	XTO_out	XTO output (open collector)
11	CS	Chip-select (power-up)
12	$V_{S}$	Supply voltage
13	ANT1	Differential output 1
14	ANT2	Differential output 2
15	PAGND	Power amplifier ground
16	AM_in	AM modulation input

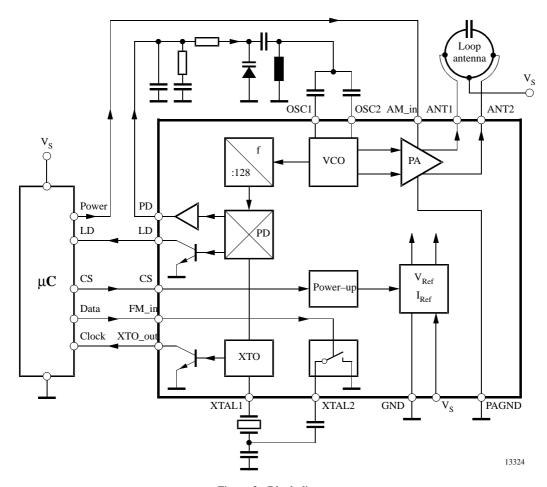


Figure 3. Block diagram



### **Circuit Description**

The transmitter PLL U2740B contains the complete RF part for a radio control system. The IC consists of a VCO, a complete PLL circuit, a crystal oscillator, a power amplifier and a power-up module. An integrated switch can be used to change the load capacitance of the crystal.

#### **VCO**

The VCO is a voltage-controlled current source. The frequency is determined by the external LC-tank. The frequency is changed via a Varicap diode.

#### **PLL**

The complete PLL consists of a prescaler, a digital phase/frequency detector (PFD) with charge-pump output. The output frequency is locked to 128 times the frequency of the XTO. The PFD, however, operates at a frequency four times lower than that of the XTO. A lock-detect output indicates that the PLL is locked.

#### **Crystal Oscillator (XTO)**

It is a single-pin crystal oscillator, operating at the series resonant frequency of the crystal. Depending on the type of crystal used, this oscillator takes 3 to 20 ms until settling after setting CS to  $V_{\rm S}$ . The integrated switch can be used to change the load capacitance. Thus, the output frequency is FSK modulated.

#### Power Amplifier (PA)

As figure 4 shows, the differential PA switches its output current between the two power output pins (ANT1, ANT2). The output current is seven times the current flowing into the AM\_in Pin. The achievable output power is about 1.5 mW.

#### Power-up

When CS=0 V, the circuit is in standby mode with a power–down supply current of type. IS,off = 0.1  $\mu$ A. With  $CS=V_S$ , the circuit is in power-up mode.

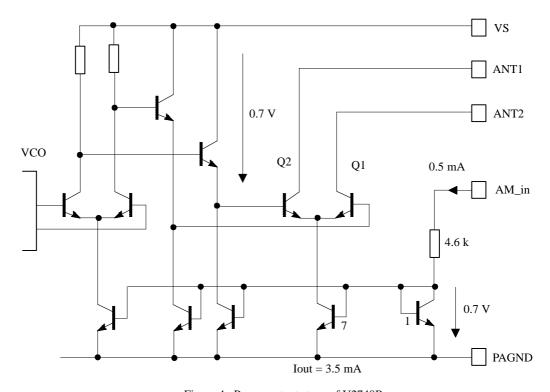


Figure 4. Power output stage of U2740B



# **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Parameters		Symbol	Min.	Max.	Unit
Supply voltage	Pin 12	$V_{S}$	-0.3	5.5	V
Voltage at Pins 13 and 14			-0.3	10	V
Input current AM_in	Pin 16			0.75	mA
Output current lock detect	Pin 4			1.5	mA
Output current XTO_out	Pin 10			1.5	mA
Junction temperature		Tj		125	°C
Storage temperature		T <sub>stg</sub>	-55	125	°C

## **Thermal Resistance**

Parameters	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Junction ambient SO16	$R_{thJA}$			120	K/W

# **Operating Range**

All voltages are referred to GND (Pin 5) and PAGND (Pin 15),  $T_{amb} = -40$  to  $+85\,^{\circ}C$ , unless otherwise specified

Parameters	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Supply voltage Pin 12	$V_{S}$	2.4	3.0	5.5	V
Supply voltage, $T_{amb} = -20 \text{ to } +85^{\circ}\text{C}$	$V_{S}$	2.2	3.0	5.5	V
Minimum supply voltage, $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}C$			1.8		V
Minimum supply voltage, $T_{amb} = -20^{\circ}C$			2.0		V
Carrier frequency		200		500	MHz



### **Electrical Characteristics DC**

All voltages referred to GND (Pin 5),  $V_S = 2.4$  to 5.5 V,  $T_{amb} = -40$  to  $+85^{\circ}$ C, unless otherwise specified

Parameters	Test Conditions / Pins	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Supply current (power-down)	$V_{11} = 0$ , $I_{16} = 0$ , $V_S = 3$ V Pin 12	I		0.05	0.25	μΑ
	$V_{11} = 0$ , $I_{16} = 0$ , $V_S = 5.5 \text{ V}$ Pin 12	$ m I_{S,OFF}$		0.1	0.5	μΑ
Supply current	$V_{16} = 0 \text{ V}, V_{11} = V_{S}$	I <sub>S, ON</sub>		5.0	8.0	mA
(power-up, transmit space)	$V_{16} = 0 \text{ V}, V_{11} = 3 \text{ V}, V_{S} = 3 \text{ V}, T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}, Pin 12$	I <sub>S, ON</sub>	4.5	5.0	6.5	mA
	$V_{16} = 0 \text{ V}, V_{11} = 5.5 \text{ V}, V_{S} = 5.5 \text{ V}, T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}, Pin 12$	I <sub>S, ON</sub>	4.5	5.8	7.2	mA
Temperature coefficient of supply current <sup>1)</sup>	TKI			0.18		%/K
Supply current (power-up, transmit mark)	$V_{16} = 3 \text{ V}, V_{11} = 3 \text{ V}, V_{S} = 3 \text{ V}, T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}, Pin 12$		8	11	13.5	mA
Power-down voltage	$V_{16} = 0 V$ Pin 11	V <sub>11, OFF</sub>			0.4	V
Power-up voltage	$V_{16} = 0 V$ Pin 11	V <sub>11, ON</sub>	1.0			V
Power-up current	$V_{11} = 3 \text{ V}$ Pin 11	т		40	65	A
	$V_{11} = 5.5 \text{ V}$ Pin 11	I <sub>11, ON</sub>		110	150	μΑ
Input current FM_in	$V_6 = 3 \text{ V}$ Pin 6	$I_6$		16	25	μΑ
Output current Lock-detect	Pin 4	I <sub>4</sub>			1	
Output current XTO_out	Pin 10	I <sub>10</sub>			1	mA
Input current AM_in <sup>2)</sup>	$R16 = 0$ connected to $V_S = 3$ V, Pin 16	I <sub>16</sub>				
	$T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}C$		0.40	0.50	0.60	mA
	$T_{amb} = 85^{\circ}C$		0.44	0.55	0.65	mA

#### Notes:

There are circuit parts with increasing supply current over temperature. The resulting supply current is  $IS(T_{amb}) = I_{SDN} (1 + (T_{amb} - 25^{\circ}C) \times TKI)$ 

This depends on the value of resistor R16 connected to  $V_S$ . If the supply voltage is 2.0 to 3.5 V, Pin 16 can be directly connected to  $V_S$ . For  $V_S = 5$  V, R16 should be 3.9 k $\Omega$ .



### **Electrical Characteristics AC**

All voltages referred to GND (Pin 5),  $V_S = 2.2$  to 5.5 V,  $T_{amb} = -40$  to +85°C, unless otherwise specified

Parameters	Test Conditions / Pins	Symbol	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Extinction ratio	$V_{11} = 3 V$	$\begin{array}{c} 20 \times log \\ (I_{out,ON} \\ I_{out,off}) \end{array}$	-40	-50		dB
Output current, transmit mark, $(f_{VCO} = 433.92 \text{ MHz})^{3)}$	$V_{11} = 3 \text{ V}, V_{16} = 0 \text{ V}$ Pins 13 and 14	i <sub>out,pp</sub>	2.9	3.5	4.2	mA
Output voltage swing	Difference, Pins 13 and 14	V(13–14)pp		4	5	V
Phase detector Output current	Pin 7	$I_{PD}$	-1		1	mA
Phase detector Output voltage swing <sup>4)</sup>	Pin 7	V <sub>PDpp</sub>	0.2		V <sub>S</sub> -0.2	V
Enable settling time <sup>5)</sup>	Pins 11, 13 and 14	T <sub>enable</sub>			100	μs
Modulation bandwidth <sup>6)</sup>	Pin 6	$BW_{FSK}$			50	kHz
Output frequency range	Pins 13 and 14	f <sub>VCO</sub>	200		500	MHz
XTO frequency range	Pins 9 and 10	f <sub>XTO</sub>	1		6	MHz
Modulation bandwidth	Pin 16	BW <sub>ASK</sub>			500	kHz

#### Notes:

- The output peak-to-peak current is 7 times the current flowing into the AM\_in Pin. The driver stage of the power amplifier is designed so that the output current is switched between Pins 13 and 14.
- The output voltage swing at each collector is limited to 2 V due to the circuit arrangement used. The output power depends on the load impedance. If optimum load impedance of 1.1 k $\Omega$  is used, an output power of 3.5 mA/2 × sqrt(2) × 1.1 k $\Omega$  = 1.7 mW (+2.3 dBm) results.
- This is the time if an external clock is delivered to Pin 9 and Pin 11 is set to  $V_S$  until the circuit operates.
- 6) FSK bandwidth is depending on values for loop filter and VCO, see application note for design hints.



## **Application Circuit (ASK Modulation)**

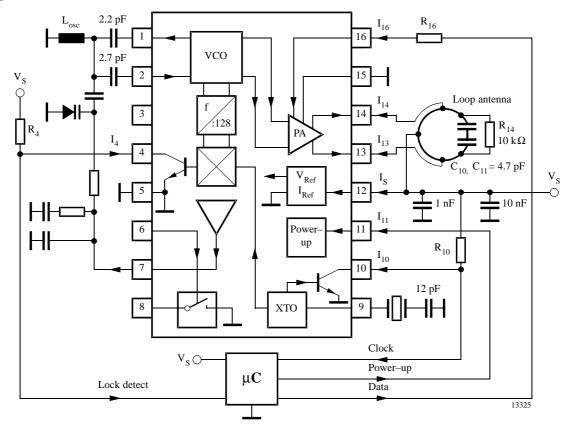


Figure 5.

## **Principle of Operation (ASK Modulation)**

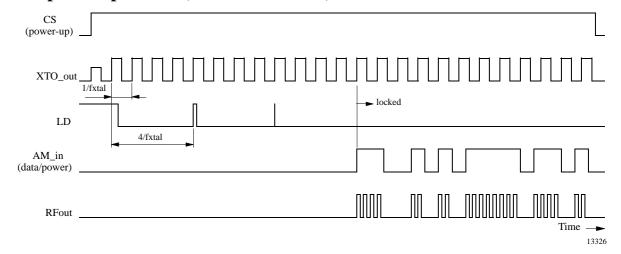


Figure 6.



## **Application Circuit (FSK Modulation)**

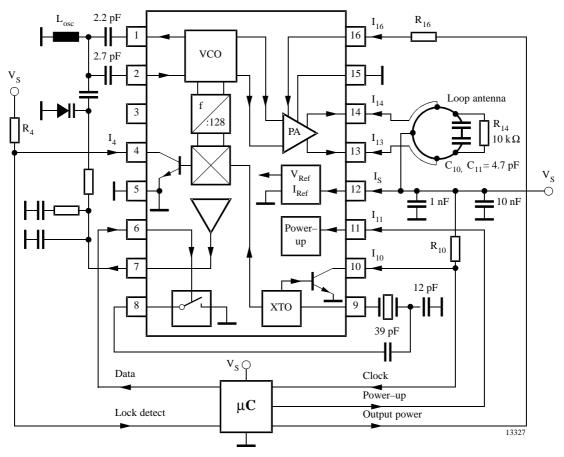


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# **Principle of Operation (FSK Modulation)**

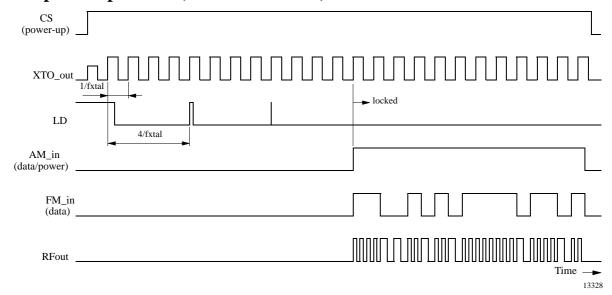
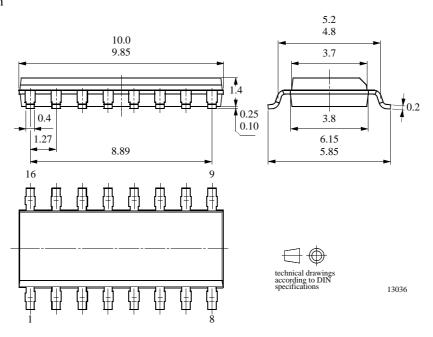


Figure 8.



## **Package Information**

Package SO16 Dimensions in mm



# **U2740B**



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