

Product Brief Intel®CE 9523 DVB-T TNIM Reference Design

Consumer Electronics

Applications

- DVB-T portable set top boxes
- DVB-T portable integrated digital TV
- PC DVB-T receiver cards

Diversity-Enabled DVB-T Solution with Thomson^{*} Tuner



Product Overview

The Intel® CE 9523 TNIM reference design is a complete two-stage diversity-enabled DVB-T digital terrestrial receiver. It cascades two Intel® CE 6354 NorDig Unified DVB-T COFDM demodulators to significantly improve the front-end carrier-to-noise performance compared to single-channel designs. The reference design enables true portable TV using small low-gain portable TV aerials. Two Thomson* DTT 73000 series mini-tuners* are used, providing a compact layout for space-constrained designs, without compromising performance.

This reference design is specifically designed for digital terrestrial network interface modules (TNIMs) or "on-motherboard" set top box/iDTV implementation. It allows customers to quickly and cost-effectively evaluate and implement DVB-T diversity-enhanced TV performance. Software is supported directly by Intel and each reference design is accompanied by comprehensive documentation and test results.

Intel®CE 9523 DVB-T Reference Design with Thomson[®] Mini-tuner

The Intel® CE 9523 DVB-T front-end reference design addresses the needs of the portable digital TV market segment. The two Intel® CE 6354 DVB-T COFDM demodulators are cascaded together. This builds on the performance of the single-channel NorDig Unified Intel® CE 6353/5 demodulators by offering significant carrier-to-noise improvement. This performance enhancement enables the use of small antennas in portable TV applications.

Received digital terrestrial signals are down-converted via each Thomson tuner to the "on-board" Intel CE 6354 DVB-T COFDM demodulators for channel coding to MPEG transport stream output. One Intel CE 6354 COFDM demodulator is designated as the primary demodulator and the other Intel CE 6354 COFDM is the secondary demodulator. Each Intel CE 6354 COFDM demodulator contains a diversity processor functional block between the channel coding and the forward error correction sections of the chip. In the case of the secondary Intel CE 6354 COFDM demodulator, this block outputs the transport stream to the processor of the primary demodulator for diversity performance enhancement.

The Intel CE 9523 DVB-T TNIM reference design kit is supplied with an Intel® CE 9594 interface board, which only requires a single +5 V supply, all other power rails are generated on board. The Intel CE 9523 DVB-T reference design front-end solution is optimized for real in-field terrestrial environmental conditions.

For further information on the Thomson DTT 73000 series tuner+/IF please contact tuners@thomson.net

Aerial

No. 2



Product Features

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Thompson*

Can Tuner / IF Module

DTT73001

- Diversity-enabled DVB-T and NorDig Unified performance
- Excellent blind-channel scan times
- UHF 2 K only–9 digital with 5 analog channels present–less than 12 seconds
- UHF 2 K/8 K–9 digital with 5 analog channels present–less than 18 seconds

Intel® CE 9523 DVB-T TNIM Application Board Performance Summary

Parameter	Value (typ)	Units
RF frequency range	174 to 862	MHz
RF signal range	–3 to –82	dBm
Co-channel analog interference	2.0	dB
$N{\pm}1$ adjacent channel protection	42 (PAL) 33 (DVB-T)	dB
$N{\pm}2$ to X non-adjacent channel protection	>48 (PAL) >39 (DVB-T)	dB
Image channel protection	45 (PAL) 31 (DVB-T)	dB
Carrier to noise	18.8 (single channel) 15.6 (diversity)	dB
Power consumption	2.4 (operational) 1.8 (standby)	W
Blind-scan time—UHF mode 9 digital with 5 analog channels present	12 (2 K mode) 18 (2/8 K mode)	sec

Note: 64QAM, 3/4 code rate, 1/4 guard band, 8K mode

On-chip automatic:

Internal I²C

IF Output

RF AGC Read

IF AGC

 Lost signal re-acquisition (no external programming required)

Intel[®]CE 6354

Demodulator

Power, Control and

Transport

Stream I/O

- Co-channel and adjacent-channel interference suppression
- Impulse noise protection
- Excellent single-frequency network support
- Single SAW bandwidth for 6/7/8 MHz channel operation
- Low power consumption (<2.4 W)
- Hardware and software power-down mode for PC cards
- Compact 2-layer FR4 PCB, single-sided component application board reference design
- Includes serial bus to PC adapter, via Intel CE 9594 interface card
- Support material available:
- Schematics and layout artwork
- Intel[®] CE 6354 DVB-T COFDM data sheet and design manual
- Hardware user manuals
- Full software package
- Performance test results

Customer Support

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• The Intel CE 9523 DVB-T TNIM reference design is available to qualified customers.

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