Device Overview

The LFTX daughterboard utilizes two high-speed operational amplifiers to allow transmission from 0-30 MHz. The boards accept real-mode only signals. The LFTX is ideal for applications in the HF band, or for applications using an external front end to up-convert and amplify the intermediate signal. The outputs of the LFTX can be processed independently, or as a single I/Q pair. Example applications include HF communications, radios with external front ends and direct signal generation below 30 MHz. The LFTX/LFRX daughterboards are supported by the USRP Hardware Driver™ (UHD) software API for seamless integration into existing applications.

Key Features

DC-30Mhz coverage

Daughterboard Specifications

Frontends

LFRX

The LFRX has 4 frontends:

- Frontend A: real signal on antenna RXA
- Frontend B: real signal on antenna RXB
- Frontend AB: quadrature frontend using both antennas (IQ)
- Frontend BA: quadrature frontend using both antennas (QI)

LFTX

The LFTX has 4 frontends:

- Frontend A: real signal on antenna TXA
- Frontend B: real signal on antenna TXB
- Frontend AB: quadrature frontend using both antennas (IQ)
- Frontend BA: quadrature frontend using both antennas (QI)

Gains

LFRX

■ The LFRX has no tunable elements or programmable gains. Through the magic of aliasing, you can down-convert signals greater than the Nyquist rate of the ADC.

LFTX

■ The LFTX has no tunable elements or programmable gains. Through the magic of aliasing, you can up-convert signals greater than the Nyquist rate of the DAC.





Bandwidths

LFRX

- For Real-Mode (A or B frontend): 33 MHz
- For Complex (AB or BA frontend): 66 MHz

LFTX

- For Real-Mode (A or B frontend): 33 MHz
- For Complex (AB or BA frontend): 66 MHz

Input/Output Impedance

■ All RF Ports are matched to 50 Ohm with -10dB or better return loss generally. Detailed test is pending.

Input Power Levels

■ The maximum input power for the LFRX is +10 dBm.

Hardware Specifications

Ettus Research recommends to always use the latest stable version of UHD

LFRX

- Current Hardware Revision: 1
- Minimum version of UHD required: 3.8.0

LFTX

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Environmental Specifications

Operating Temperature Range

■ 0-40 °C

Operating Humidity Range

■ 10% to 90% non-condensing

USRP Compatibility

LFRX

N or X Series

LFTX

N or X Series

Schematics

LFRX

LFRX Schematics

LFTX

LFTX Schematics

Key Component Datasheets

Part Number	Description	Schematic ID (Page)
AD813x	Differential ADC Driver	U2, U3 (1)
LT3462	DC/DC Converter	U3 (1)
24LC025B	EEPROM	U1 (1)

RF Connectors

■ The LFTX / LFRX daughterboard features female SMA connectors for both the TX and RX connectors.

Certifications

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LFRX / LFTX Letter of Volatility

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FPGA Resources

UHD Stable Binaries

UHD Source Code on Github

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