## LO generation and LO distribution path 2.5GHz-7.2GHz



#### **DESCRIPTION**

The ARGO Semi AS0216 IP is an LO generation and LO distribution path. The LO generation part receives an input clock signal in the range of 7.5-9.5GHz and through programmable division ratios and mixing it generates LO signals in the range of 3.8-7.6 GHz. The LO distribution path initially buffers the LO signal across long (several mm) chip lines and then generates I/Q LO signals to drive the Rx/Tx mixers. Depending on the desired frequency band, I/Q generation is obtained either through a delay-locked loop (on-frequency I/Q) or through a divide-by-2 circuit (I/Q at half frequency). The cell maintains the close-in phase noise of the input

clock signal while providing low noise floor and low level

#### **APPLICATIONS**

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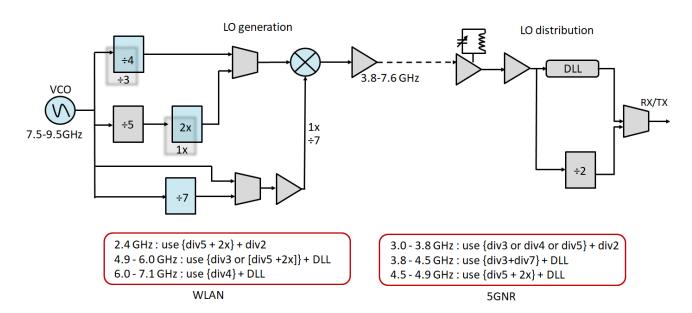
- ➤ WiFi6/6E-7
- ➤ Bluetooth
- CAT-1 SoC

#### **ABOUT ARGO SEMICONDUCTORS**

Argo Semiconductors offers high quality RF IP products operating in the frequency region between 2GHz and 10GHz. Argo's team has a long experience on Wi-Fi RF silicon product development and cellular RF silicon product development, bringing billions of chips to the market. Leveraging on these capabilities and building on its solid IP base, Argo helps its customers develop products that can meet the most stringent requirements, while shrinking the development time. IP customization is possible upon request.

#### **FEATURES**

- ✓ Programmable frequency up/down conversion
- ✓ Supply Voltage: 0.85V
- ✓ Input frequency: 7.5-9.5 GHz
- ✓ Output frequency: 2.4-7.2 GHz
- ✓ Technology node: GF 22FDX CMOS SOI
- ✓ Total area for 1 core: 3.5 mm<sup>2</sup>



Simplified Block Diagram



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### Table 1: LOgen and LOdistr metrics

LOgen Characteristics									
Parameter		Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units	Comments			
Supply voltage			0.85		V				
Input frequency		7500		9500	MHz				
Output frequency		3800		7600	MHz				
Phase noise @ 6000 MHz	10 KHz		-125		dBc/Hz	fin=9000 MHz, includes LDO noise			
	100 kHz		-129		dBc/Hz				
	1 MHz		-145		dBc/Hz				
	10 MHz		-157.5		dBc/Hz				
	100 MHz		-158.5		dBc/Hz				
Phase noise @ 5625 MHz	10 KHz		-128		dBc/Hz	fin=7500 MHz, includes LDO noise			
	100 KHz		-130		dBc/Hz				
	1 MHz		-145		dBc/Hz				
	10 MHz		-157		dBc/Hz				
	100 MHz		-158.7		dBc/Hz				
Current consumption			14		mA				
Area			0.27		mm <sup>2</sup>	includes LDO			

LOdistr Characteristics									
Parameter		Minimum	Typical	Maximum	Units	Comments			
Supply voltage			0.85		V				
Input frequency		3800		7600	MHz				
Output frequency		3800		7200	MHz	using DLL			
		2400		3800		using DIV2			
Phase noise @ 2400 MHz	10 KHz		-131		dBc/Hz	fin=4800 MHz, includes LDO noise			
	100 KHz		-134		dBc/Hz				
	1 MHz		-147.4		dBc/Hz				
	10 MHz		-152		dBc/Hz				
	100 MHz		-155		dBc/Hz				
Current consumption			11		mA				
Area			0.28		mm <sup>2</sup>	includes LDO			