

7 CIRCUIT ANALYSIS

The 800 MHz P7100^{IP} is a dual-conversion super heterodyne FM transceiver (see Table 1 for model number and frequency band information).

7.1 VOLTAGE REGULATOR / EXTERNAL BIAS SUPPLY OVERVIEW

U401 provides the +3.6V bias (VTX) to drive the RF switches for switching in and out the SAW filter. U402 provides the +5.5V bias (VSYN) for the Tx & Rx VCO's, the main charge pump on the PLL IC, the reference oscillator, and analog gates U304 & U306. U403 provides the +5.5V bias (VRX) for the receiver circuitry, plus supply the switch for the "SW-5V" signal. U405 provides the +3.0V bias (VSYN-2) for the PLL IC's digital logic, internal oscillator, & divider chain.

U900 provides the +5V bias to drive the analog portion of the baseband circuitry. U902 provides the +3V bias to drive the DSP portion of the logic circuitry. U903 provides the +1.5V bias to drive the "core" portion of the DSP. U904 provides the +5V bias to drive the 5 V logic circuitry.

Note: All of the voltage regulators are linear regulators except for U904, which is a switching voltage regulator.

Transistors Q703-Q705 provide a current limited, switched battery voltage to the UDC connector for bias of external audio accessories.

7.2 RECEIVER CIRCUITS

The 800 MHz P7100^{IP} receiver is designed for operation in the 851-869 MHz frequency range. (865-870 MHz for Australia). The receiver has intermediate frequencies (IF) of 115.65 MHz and 450 kHz. Adjacent channel selectivity is obtained by using band pass filters- a 115.65 MHz crystal filter and two 450 kHz ceramic filters. The receive detector is the phase digitizer located within Hillary.

7.2.1 Receiver Front End

A RF signal from the antenna is coupled through the Tx low pass filter in the antenna switch (Z302), and the bandpass filter (FL101) to the input of low noise amplifier Q101. The output of Q101 is coupled through another bandpass filter (FL102) to the input of first mixer Z101. Front End selectivity is provided by the bandpass filters.

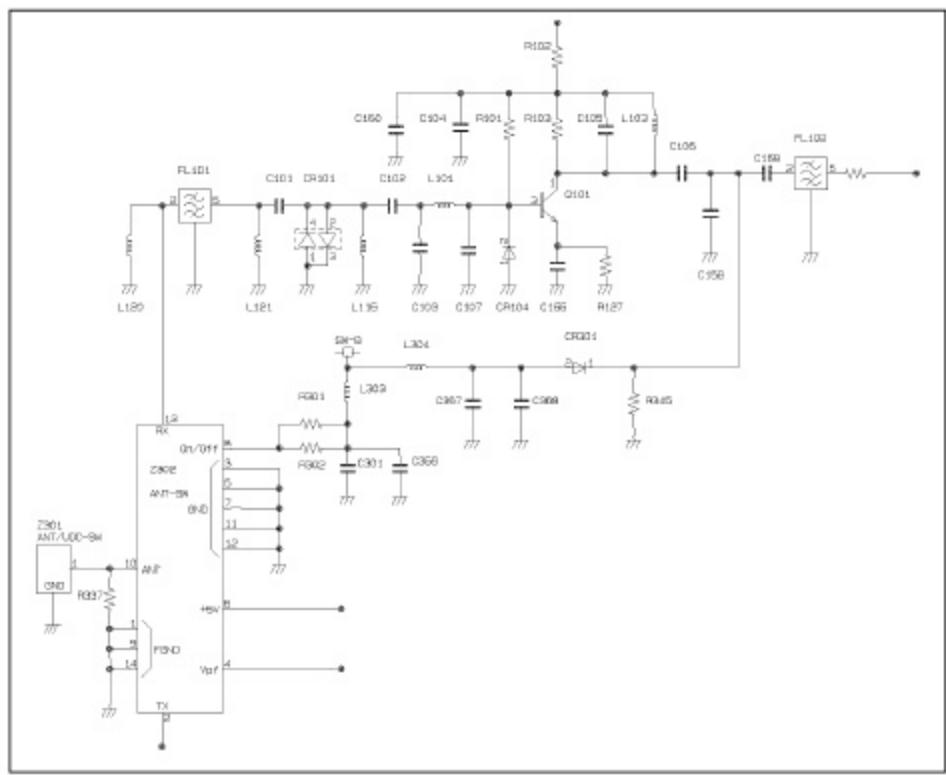


Figure 8 – P7100^{IP} Receiver Bandpass Filter and First Mixer Circuit Diagram

7.2.2 First Mixer Circuit

The first mixer is a Double-Balanced-Mixer (Z101) that converts a RF signal in the 851-869 MHz range to the 115.65 MHz first IF frequency. The Rx L.O. signal is derived from the Rx VCO, amplified by Q103, and input into Z101, pin 6. The signal on the output of Z101 is provided to the input of the first IF amplifier, Q102.

7.2.3 First IF Circuit

The first IF signal from the output of the first Mixer is coupled through first IF amplifier Q102 to crystal filter FL103. The highly selective crystal filter provides the first portion of the receiver IF selectivity. The output of the filter is coupled through an impedance-matching network to the Rx back end IC (U101).

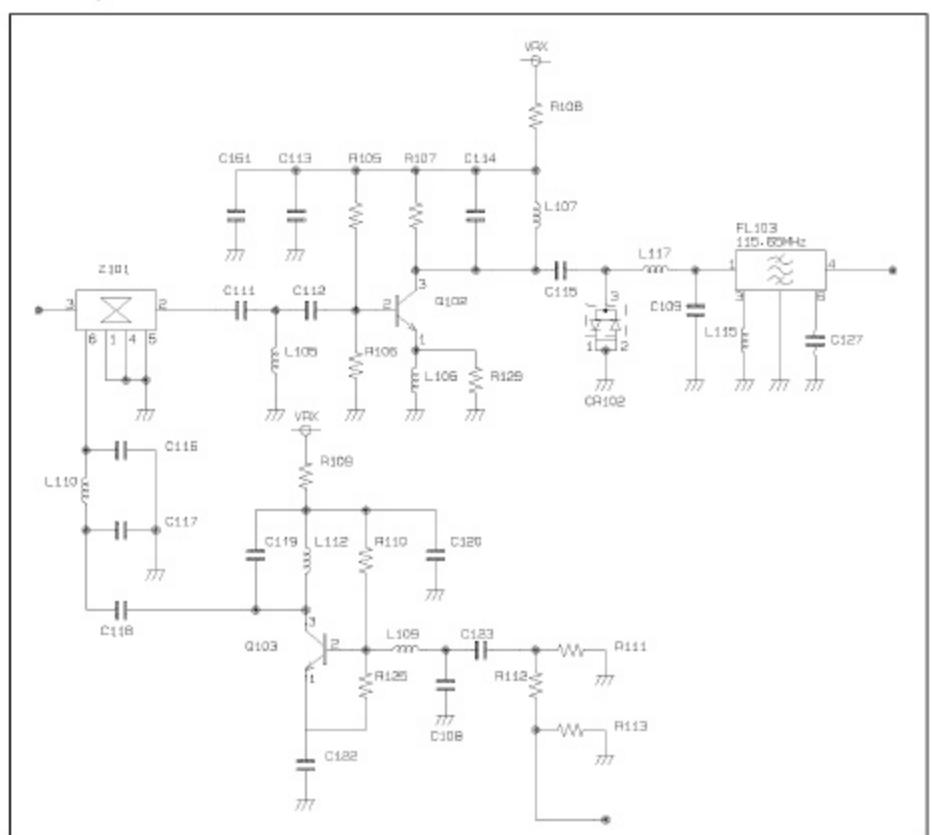
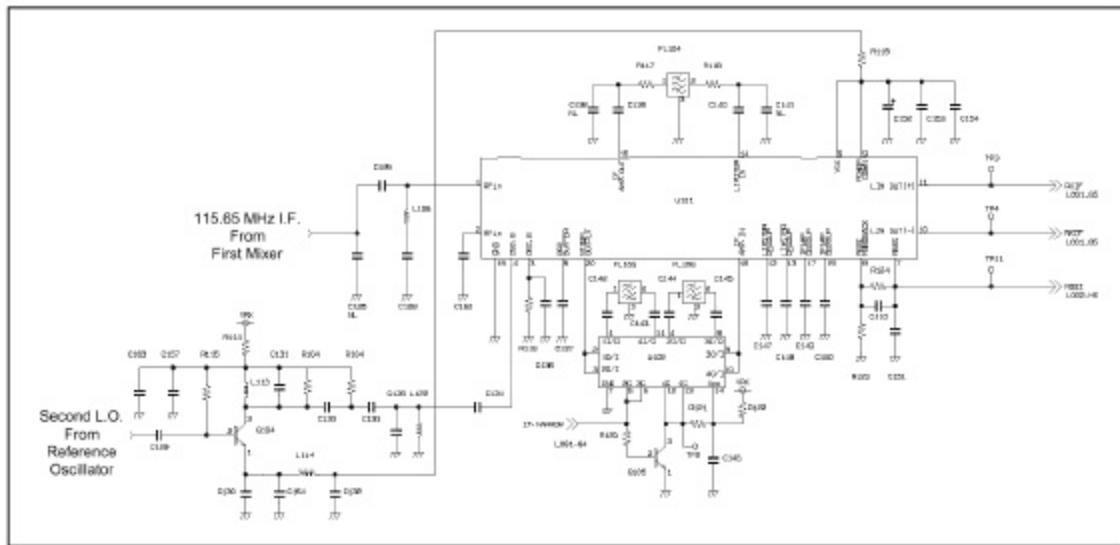


Figure 9 - P7100™ First Mixer and First I.F. Circuit Diagram

7.2.4 Second Mixer, Second IF Filters and Second IF Amplifier

The receiver back end IC (U101) is a single chip digital communication systems IC. It includes the second Mixer, second IF amplifier and the limiter amplifier. Within the internal circuits of U101, the first IF signal is amplified and applied to the input of the second mixer. The second local injection frequency, 115.2 MHz, is applied from the second L.O. amplifier (Q106) to another input to the second mixer. [Note that the 115.2 MHz second L.O. signal is the 6th harmonic of the 19.2 MHz reference oscillator.] The second mixer converts the first IF signal (115.65 MHz) down to the second IF frequency 450 kHz. The second IF signal is applied to Ceramic Filter FL105 (wideband or NPSPAC mode) or FL106 (Project 25 mode), which provide the first part of the 450 kHz selectivity. Selection of FL105 or FL106 filters are controlled by the IF.NARROW signal from the microcomputer (“Hillary”:U700). The output of the second IF filter is amplified through the second IF amplifier and back to ceramic filter FL104 (wideband mode) or FL107 (NPSPAC or Project 25 mode), which provide the second part of the 450 kHz selectivity. Selection of FL104 or FL107 filters are controlled by the C4FM.DATA signal from the microcomputer (“Hillary”:U700). The output is then run to a limiter amplifier where the IF signal is amplified/limited, balanced and output at RXIF and RXIF (bar). These outputs are then sent to Hillary. These two lines, one with a positive phase and the other with a negative phase, are used to cancel out any noise that might be on the line. These balanced outputs are applied to the phase digitizer in Hillary and demodulated.



7.3 TRANSMITTER CIRCUIT

The 800 MHz P7100^{IP} transmitter circuit consists of modulator IC U203, a notch filter, variable attenuator CR201, buffer/driver amplifier U202, a low pass filter, RF switches U204 & U205, SAW filter FL201, PA module U201, automatic power control and antenna switch module Z302.

7.3.1 Modulator IC and Notch Filter

The main VCO in the synthesizer circuit is programmed to generate the transmitter carrier frequencies from 806 to 824 MHz (repeater input band) and 851 to 869 MHz (repeater talkaround band). [Australian Tx frequency ranges are 820-825 MHz & 865-870 MHz.) The notch filter consists of C222, C224, C226, and L221. The output of modulator IC U203 is applied to the notch filter attenuator pad R221-R223.

7.3.2 Variable Attenuator

The output of the notch filter is applied to variable attenuator circuit R224, R225, and CR201. The transmitter power level is controlled by voltage feedback from the automatic power control circuit (APC). This control voltage is applied through resistor R224 to the anode of variable capacitor CR201 and to R225.

7.3.3 Buffer Amplifier and Low Pass/Bandpass Filter

The output of the variable attenuator circuit is applied to buffer amplifier U202 and is amplified to +6 dBm. The collector voltage for U202 is provided by a switch circuit controlled by DPTT.

In the repeater input band, the output of U202 is applied to the input to SAW filter FL201. The drive signal is bandpass filtered and then applied to the PA module input. In the repeater talk-around band, the output of U202 is applied to a low pass filter consisting of C232, C233, C234, and L223. The output of the low pass filter is then applied to the PA module input.

7.3.4 PA Module

The output of the PA Module is amplified to about 4.5 watts. B+ (7.5 VDC) is connected to U201 through RF choke L251. The PA Module is a two stage RF amplifier. The first stage power supply voltage is supplied by a power control circuit. The second RF amplifier operates in Class C. This output is regulated by the automatic power control circuit.

7.3.5 Automatic Power Control

The automatic power control circuit samples the output power to the antenna to maintain a constant power level across the band. The automatic power control circuit controls the voltage “Vcont” to PA Module U201, pin 2.

A directional coupler is included in the antenna switch module. This directional coupler provides a sample of transmitted forward power for diode detection. The diode produces a positive DC voltage proportional to the transmitter output power level. This DC voltage (U302, pin 4) is compared at comparator U404 to the "TX POWER CONT" signal from the control unit. The output of U404 is applied to DC driver amplifier Q421, and over to DC amplifier Q422. The output voltage of Q422 is applied to the Vcont input of PA Module U201, pin 2 to provide a constant output power level.

7.3.6 Antenna Switch Module

The Antenna Switch Module also consists of the transmit/receive switch circuitry and a low pass filter. During transmit, the DPTT signal from Hillary is high. Transistor Q402 turns on the "SW-5V" supply to antenna switch module Z302, pin 6. When transmitting, the antenna switch pin diodes are in a low impedance state. During receive mode, the antenna switch pin diodes are in a high impedance state.

The losses through the power control circuitry and the antenna switch module reduce the PA output power from 4.5 W down to around 3.25 W at the antenna connector. This provides the rated 3 Watts output power.

7.3.7 Frequency Synthesizer Circuit

The frequency synthesizer circuit consists of the reference oscillator, PLL frequency synthesizer chip U305 (CX72301), loop filter, Rx VCO Z303, and Tx VCO Z304.

The PLL frequency synthesizer chip receives PLL data, clock, and control information from the microcomputer and from this generates the Tx carrier or Rx L.O. frequencies. It also provides frequency lock status back to the microcomputer.

The Rx VCO and the Tx VCO are locked to the reference oscillator by a Fractional-N synthesizer loop consisting of the ~~feedback buffer, prescaler~~, loop filter, and the PLL frequency synthesizer chip.

The Tx VCO operates over a frequency range of 806-824 MHz & 851-869 MHz. The Rx VCO operates over a frequency range of 735.35-753.35 MHz. [Upper limits at 825, 870 MHz for the Tx VCO; & 754.35 MHz for the Rx L.O., exist for Australia.]

7.3.8 Reference Oscillator

The 19.2 MHz reference oscillator consists of a ± 1.5 PPM TCXO (Temperature Compensated Crystal Oscillator). The TCXO is enclosed in a RF shielded can. The TCXO is internally temperature compensated for both low and high temperatures. The nominal temperature is $+25^\circ\text{C}$ ($+77^\circ\text{F}$). With no additional compensation the oscillator will provide ± 1.5 PPM stability from -30°C to $+60^\circ\text{C}$ (-22°F to 140°F).

7.3.9 PLL Frequency Synthesizer

PLL frequency synthesizer chip U305 (CX72301) provides fractionality through the use of its main sigma-delta modulator. (Note: the auxillary sigma-delta modulator is not used.) The PLL IC is programmed in fractional-N mode with the main sigma-delta modulation programmed into its 18 bit configuration.

The 19.2 MHz reference frequency from the reference oscillator is divided by a programmed ratio from 1 to 32 to create a reference frequency for the main phase detector. The divide ratio is programmed into the Reference Frequency Divider Register.

The output from the external Tx or Rx VCO is input into a VCO pre-scalar on the IC. The pre-scalar provides low noise signal conditioning before it is input into the main divider. The main divider's divide ratios are programmable in range from 37.5 to 537.5.

The contents of the Reference Frequency Divider register, Main Divider register, MSB & LSB Dividend registers, the setting of the PLL IC into fractional-N instead of Integer-N mode, and the setting of the main modulator into 18 bit instead of 10 bit mode are established by data sent to the CX72301 from the Hillary microprocessor. The received data is transmitted via the SC.CLK, SC.DATA, and SC.SYN1LE lines.

The dividend is the Desired VCO division ratio in Fractional-N applications. This number is a real number and can be interpreted as the reference frequency (Fref) multiplying factor such that the resulting frequency is equal to the desired VCO frequency. With the sigma-delta modulator in 18 bit mode, the 18 bit signed input value to the modulator, ranging from $-131,072$ to $+131,071$, provides 262,144 steps. Each step size is 73.2 Hz (19.2 MHz/ 2^{18}). The signed input value is provided by the contents of the MSB & LSB Main Dividend registers. The Main Divider register's contents are set to 262,144.

The divided down VCO signal out of the VCO main divider and the divided down reference oscillator signal are input into the main phase/frequency detector. If the frequencies differ, then a phase error is detected, and an error voltage results. This developed error voltage is applied as a VCO DC offset voltage to an external loop filter to reset the VCO on frequency. When the VCO has adjusted on frequency, the error voltage is diminished and replaced with a constant output voltage.

When a different channel is selected or when changing to the transmit or receive mode, an error voltage is generated and appears at the phase detector output, causing the Phase Locked Loop to acquire the new frequency.

During the transition to the new frequency, the LOCK DETECT signal is an active low, pulsing, open collector signal. After lock has occurred, the LOCK DETECT signal is a high impedance output. In the J700P Radio & Logic schematics this signal is labelled as "UNLOCK" & sent over to the Hillary microprocessor (U500, pin 27). If the uP detects that the PLL IC is in an unlock state, then the transmitter is disabled.

7.3.10 Loop Filter

The loop filter consists of R322, R323, R325-R327, R341, R343, and C335 through C341. This filter controls the bandwidth and stability of the synthesizer loop. The loop filter's bandwidth is switched via audio gate U304 which is controlled by "SC.SYN1LE" from the microcontroller. The output of the loop filter is applied to the varicaps in the transmit and receive VCO's to adjust and maintain the VCO frequency. The use of two VCO's allows rapid, independent, selection of transmit and receive frequencies across the frequency band.

7.3.10 Rx VCO and Tx VCO

The VCO's consist of low-noise silicon transistor oscillators followed by high-gain buffers. When changing to a different channel or changing from transmit or receive mode, signal "VCO.Rx/Tx" is used to control analog switches U304 & U306. These switches are used to either turn on the Rx VCO or the Tx VCO.

When the "VCO.RX/TX" signal is low, the U307 inverter and analog switch U304 turn on transistor Q301, which turns on Rx VCO Z303. When the "VCO.RX/TX" signal is high, analog switch U306 turns on transistor Q302, which turns on Tx VCO Z303. Both pass transistors Q301 and Q302 provide a low noise bias voltage to the VCO's via the "VSYN" bias line to provide optimized low phase noise performance.

The VCO's output powers are typically 0 dBm. The output is applied back to the PLL IC (U305, pin 7) for VCO frequency control via C367. The Rx VCO output is used as the local oscillator frequency by the receiver first mixer through the first local oscillator buffer amplifier (Q103). The Tx VCO output is applied to the modulator IC as the "LoIn" input.

The VCO voltages need only be set once at any frequency within the band and split. After that they will operate correctly over the entire split with no additional tuning.

7.4 INTEGRATED CIRCUIT OVERVIEW

The RF circuitry is dominated by three (3) Integrated Circuits. These IC's are described as follows:

- U101 (SA647) – This Rx back end IC contains the second mixer and the second IF (450 kHz) amplifier and limiter chain. The L.O. for the second mixer is the sixth harmonic of the 19.2 MHz reference oscillator. External ports are provided between the second mixer output and the I.F. amplifier input, and between the I.F. amplifier output and the limiter input to provide appropriate second I.F. selectivity. The limiter circuit provides a balanced output to HILLARY. The IC also provides the **Receiver Signal Strength Indicator (RSSI)** signal.
- U203 (μ PC8110GR) – This Quadrature Phase Shift Keying modulator uses the baseband I & Q signals provided by the microprocessor to modulate the Local Oscillator drive signal provided by the Tx VCO.
- U305 (CX72301) – This PLL IC provides the main and auxiliary frequency synthesizer for the Rx VCO to provide the L.O. for the first mixer and for the Tx VCO to provide the L.O. drive to the QPSK modulator.

The digital circuitry is dominated by three (3) Integrated Circuits. These IC's are described as follows:

- U500 ("Patti") – Provides the CODEC that digitizes Tx analog baseband signals. It also provides the CODEC to convert digitized Rx signals back to analog signals for driving the internal audio amplifier and audio accessories via the UDC connector. It also provides the coarse tuning of the volume control for the receive audio. Digitized Tx/Rx signals are interfaced with Hillary. This IC also contains D/A converters for setting the Tx frequency on channel, generating sub-audible encode signals (CG, DCG, & EDACS Low Speed Data), and setting the Tx RF power to the proper level. This IC contains an A/D converter for an RSSI input from the Rx backend IC. This IC also handles part of the Rx volume control function.
- U600 (TMS320VC5416) – The DSP performs Digital Signal Processing on Tx/Rx analog and/or digital signals. Specifically, it provides the pre-emphasis filter, limiter, and post-limiter filter for Tx analog signals. It provides the digital data filter for Tx data. It provides de-emphasis and fine-tuning of the volume control for Rx analog signals. The DSP also provides all sub-audible baseband filtering.
- U700 ("Hillary") – Contains the microprocessor, phase digitizer, timing & logic control, frequency discriminator and sigma/delta modulator to provide digital modulation.

7.5 BASEBAND CIRCUITRY OVERVIEW

Internal mic audio is input through audio gate U505 into the MICIP port at U500, pin 14. If an external speaker/mic is attached to the UDC connector, then U505 is open-circuited to disable the internal mic. Mic audio from an external audio accessory is amplified in op-amp U501 ($A_v = 13.2$ dB) and then input into the AUXI1 port at U500, pin 19. Note: the internal mic is part of the front cover assembly.

Analog receive signals are output from the AUX02 port at U500, pin 22. The receive signal is then attenuated by either -3.3 or -21.2 dB in op-amp U504. The decision on switching the gain is part of the receive volume control process. The additional 17.9 dB of loss is actuated by turning on one of the 2 transistors in dual transistor Q500 and shorting R524 in parallel with R523. The output of U504 can be delivered via R530 & C537 to the UDC connector for use as a driver signal for audio accessories. The output of U504 is also the input to audio amplifier U502. U502 amplifies the driver signal to provide 0.5 W rated power to the $16\ \Omega$ internal speaker (SP1). The audio amplifier is turned on and off by providing or removing battery voltage supplied through pass transistor Q501. Q501 is turned on or off by the second transistor in dual transistor Q500, which is controlled from U700, pin 128. Note: the internal speaker is part of the front cover assembly.