

F1102 Extended Frequency Range

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Introduction

- Customer is interested in the F1102 mixer but would like to use it in the Band 31(452 to 457 MHz) and high IF frequency (348 – 368 MHz). The LO is injection on the high side.
- The customer is curious about what parameters might change.

Testing

- Testing was only done at +25 C.
- Only the Low Current mode was used.
- Three configurations were tested.

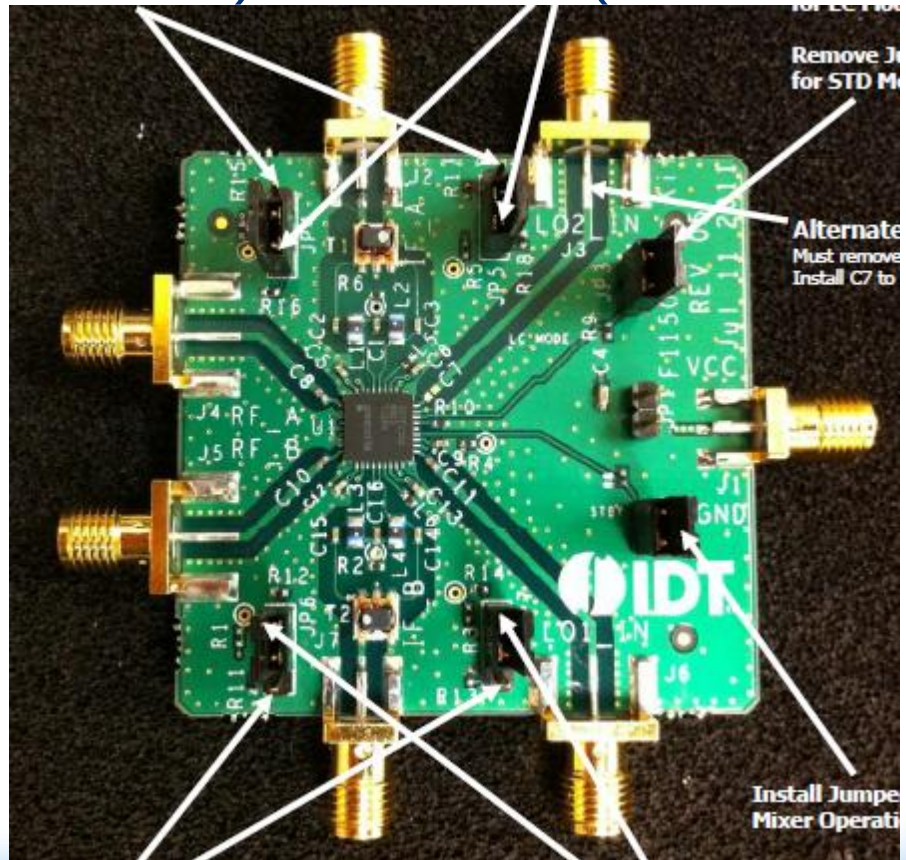
Configuration - Standard

➤ Standard Configuration (STD)

- This is the evaluation board configuration for high frequency RF operation (900 MHz) and low IF (200 MHz).

➤ Key Components

- RF Path
 - ✓ $C8=C10 = 150 \text{ pF}$
- LO Path
 - ✓ $C11 = 150 \text{ pF}$
- IF Path
 - ✓ $T1=T2 = \text{TC4-1TG2+}$
(0.5-300 MHz)



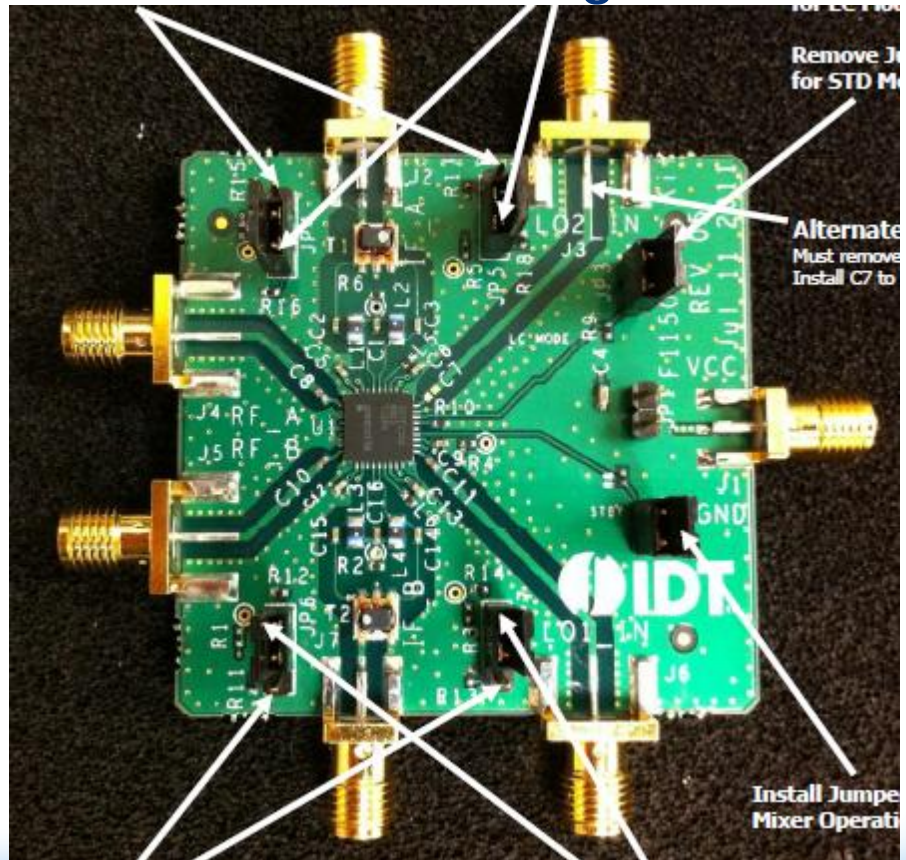
Configuration – RF Paths Tuned

➤ RF Tune

- The evaluation board was modified for operation at 454 MHz which is similar to the 400 MHz configuration in the datasheet.

➤ Key Components

- RF Path
 - ✓ $C8=C10 = 18 \text{ pF}$
 - ✓ Added Shunt 3.0 pF
- LO Path
 - ✓ $C11 = 6.8 \text{ pF}$
- IF Path
 - ✓ $T1=T2 = \text{TC4-1TG2+}$ (0.5-300 MHz)



Configuration – Transformer Changed

➤ RF Tune & HF Xfmr

- Since the IF is above 300 MHz the IF transformer was change to a broader part,

➤ Key Components

• RF Path

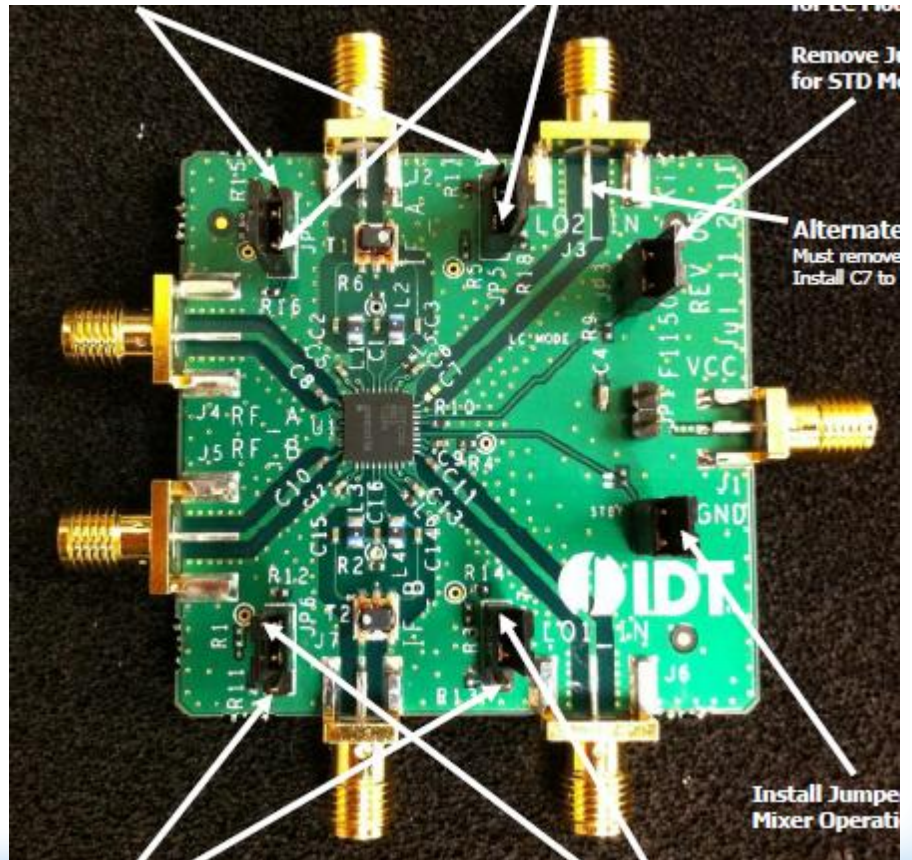
- ✓ $C8=C10 = 18 \text{ pF}$
- ✓ Added Shunt 3.0 pF

• LO Path

- ✓ $C11 = 6.8 \text{ pF}$

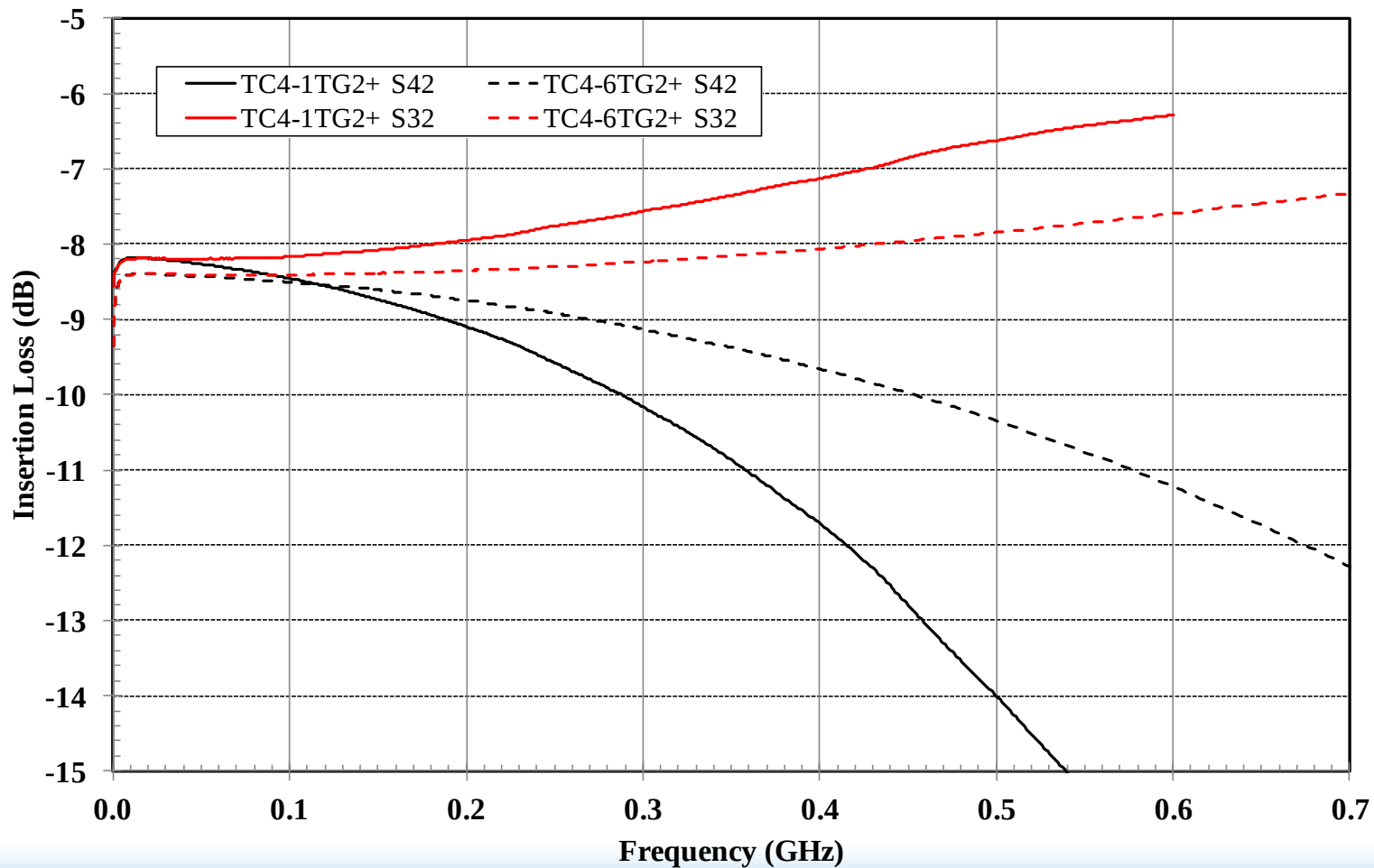
• IF Path

- ✓ $T1=T2 = \text{TC4-6TG2+}$
(1.5-600 MHz)



Mini-Circuits Transformers comparision

Comparision of Mini-Circuits 4:1 transformers
Measurements made as a 4-port device by Mini-Circuits

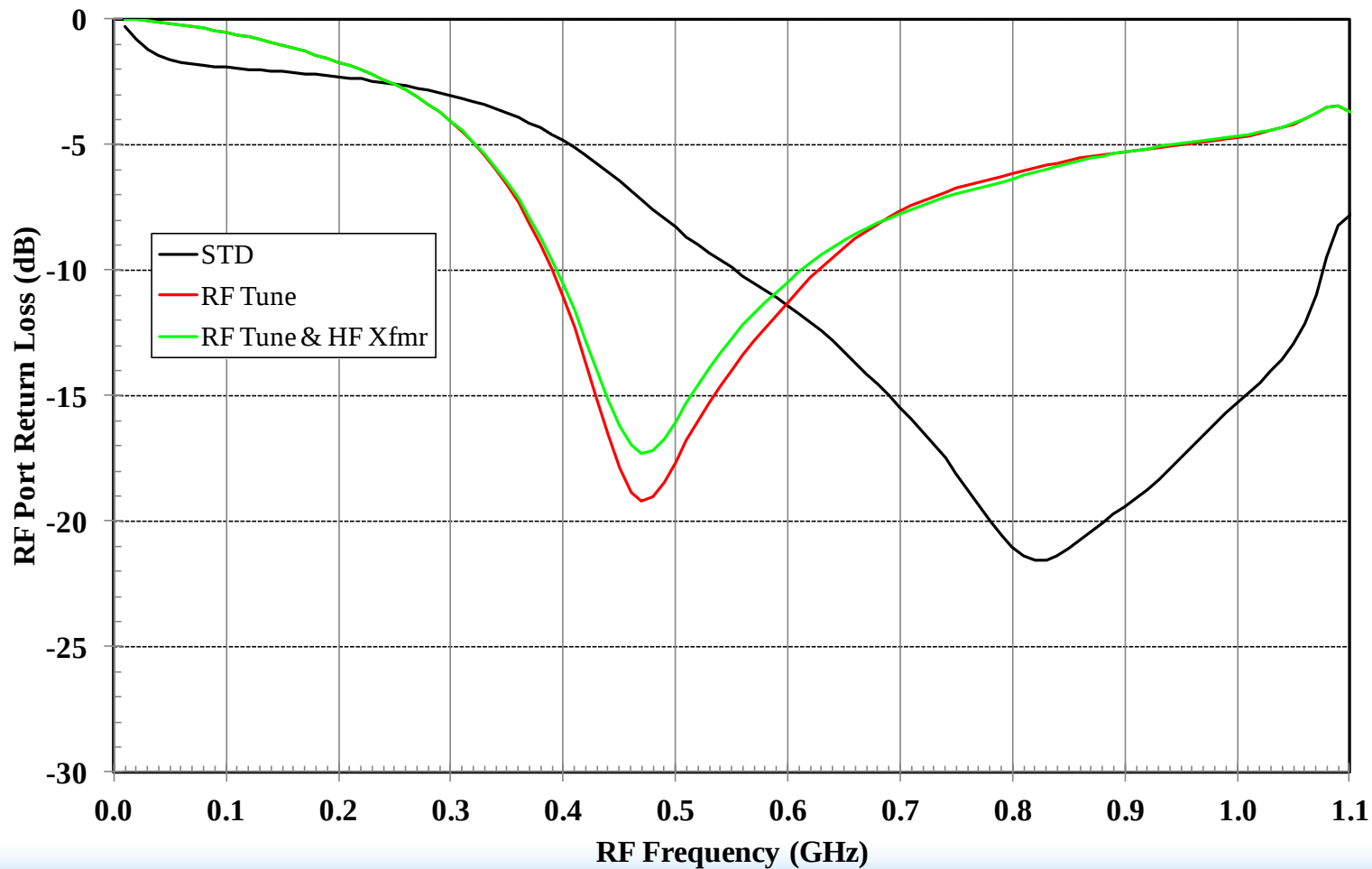


RF Port Return Loss

F1102

LO=1.105 GHz, 0 dBm, +25 C

Data is measured at the evaluation Board

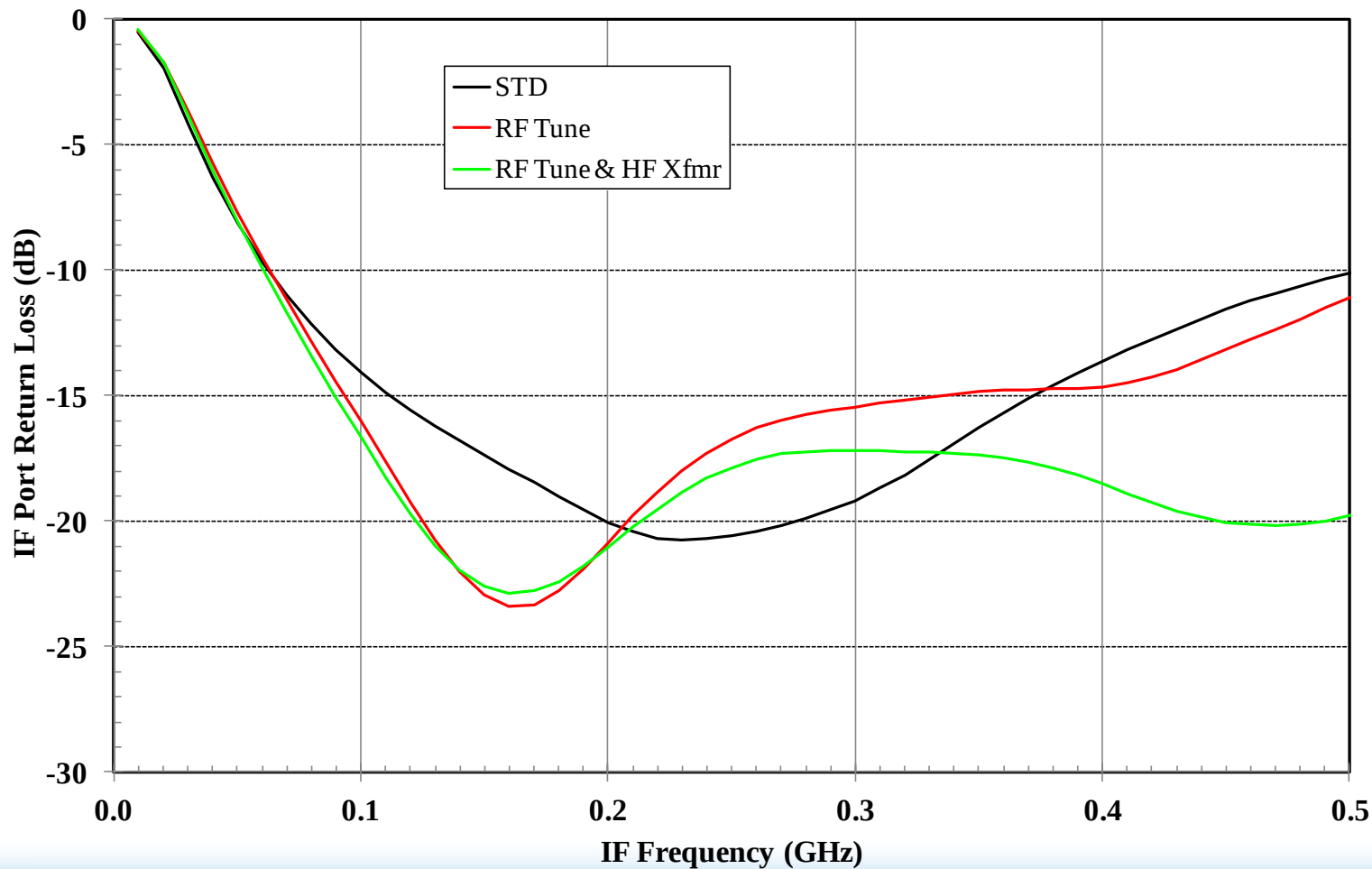


IF Port Return Loss

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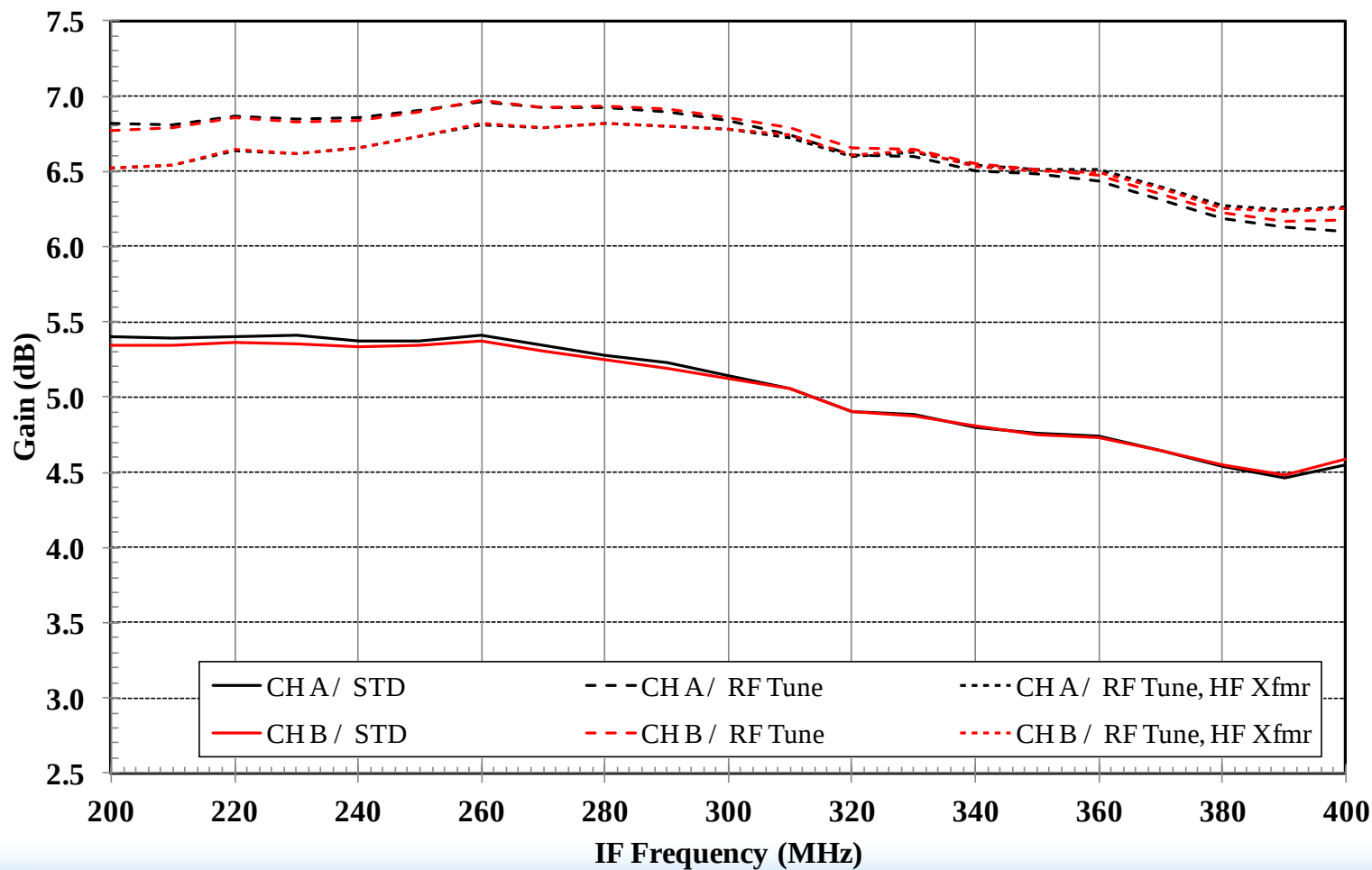


Gain, LC Mode

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RF = 454 MHz, -10 dBm, High Side LO (LO = RF + IF), 0 dBm, +25 C

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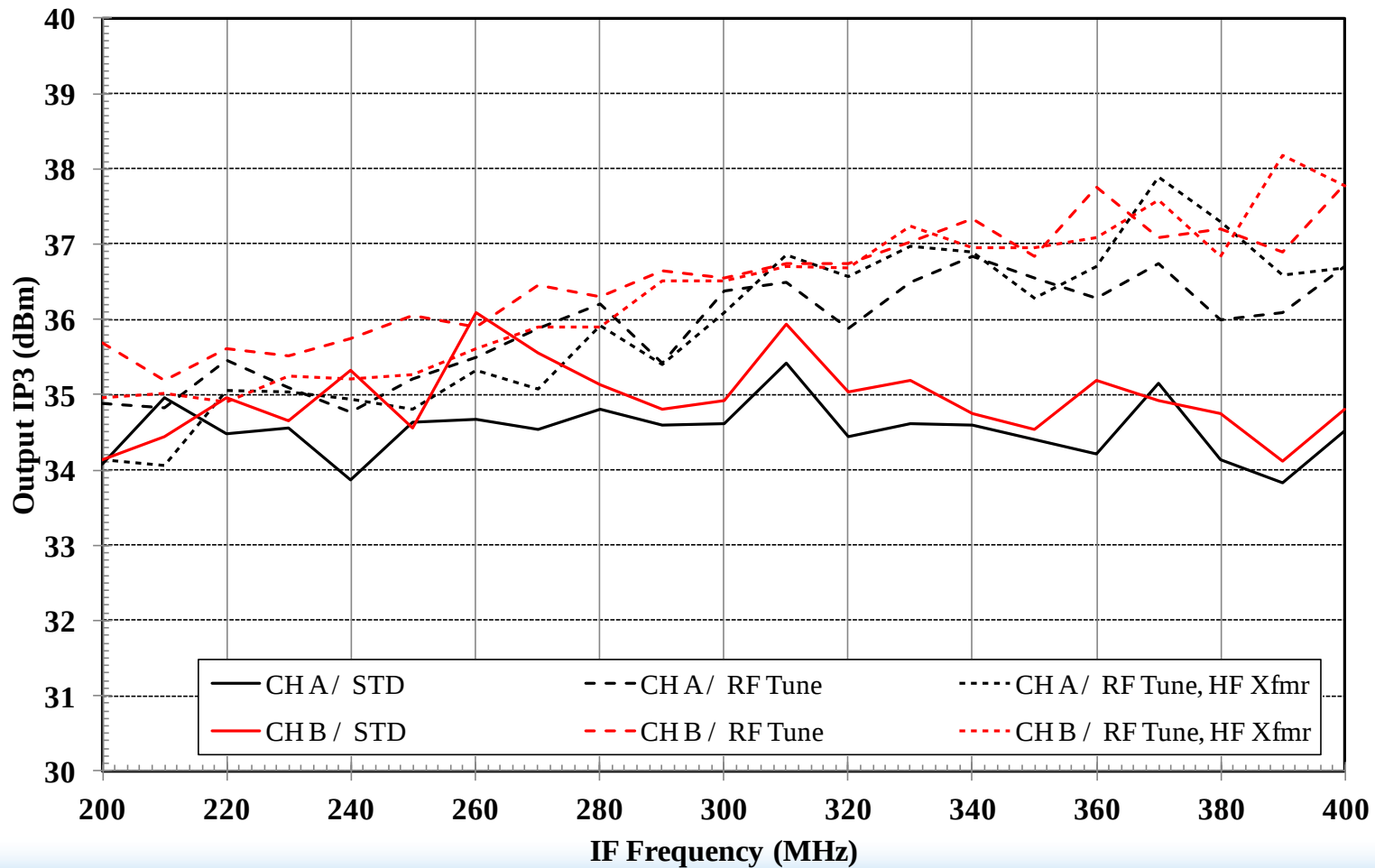


OIP3, LC Mode

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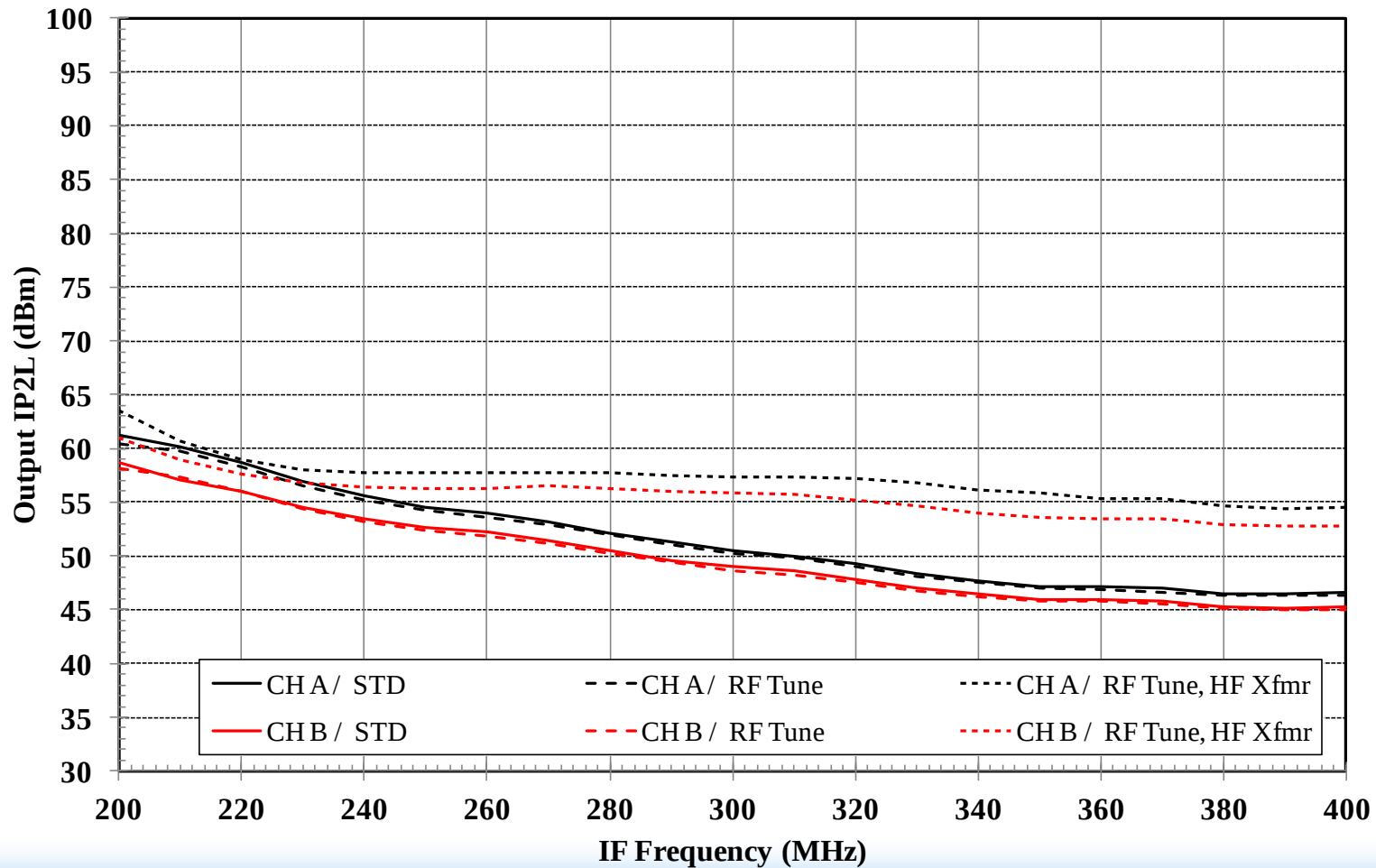


OIP2, LC Mode

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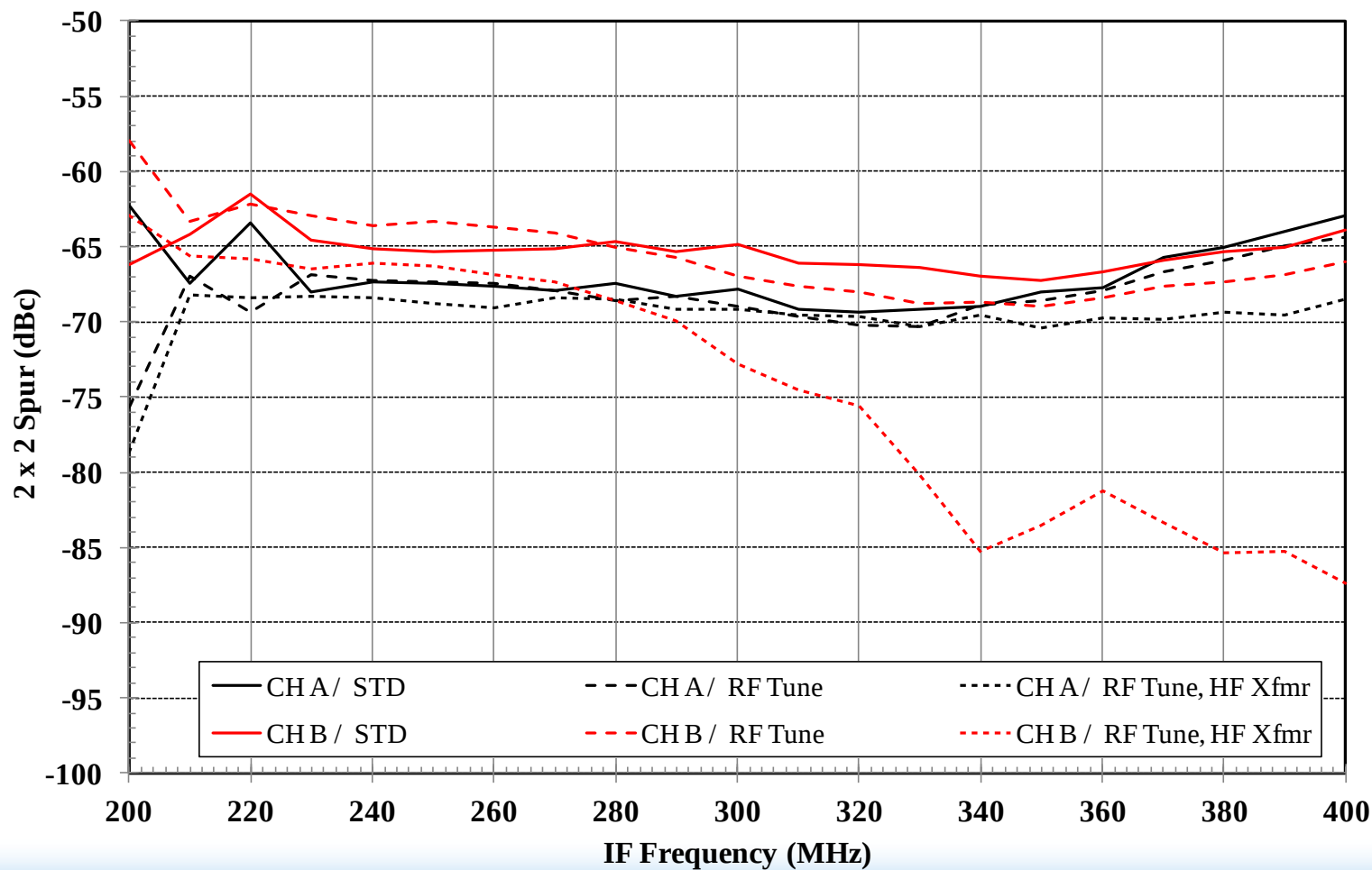


2x2 Spur, LC Mode

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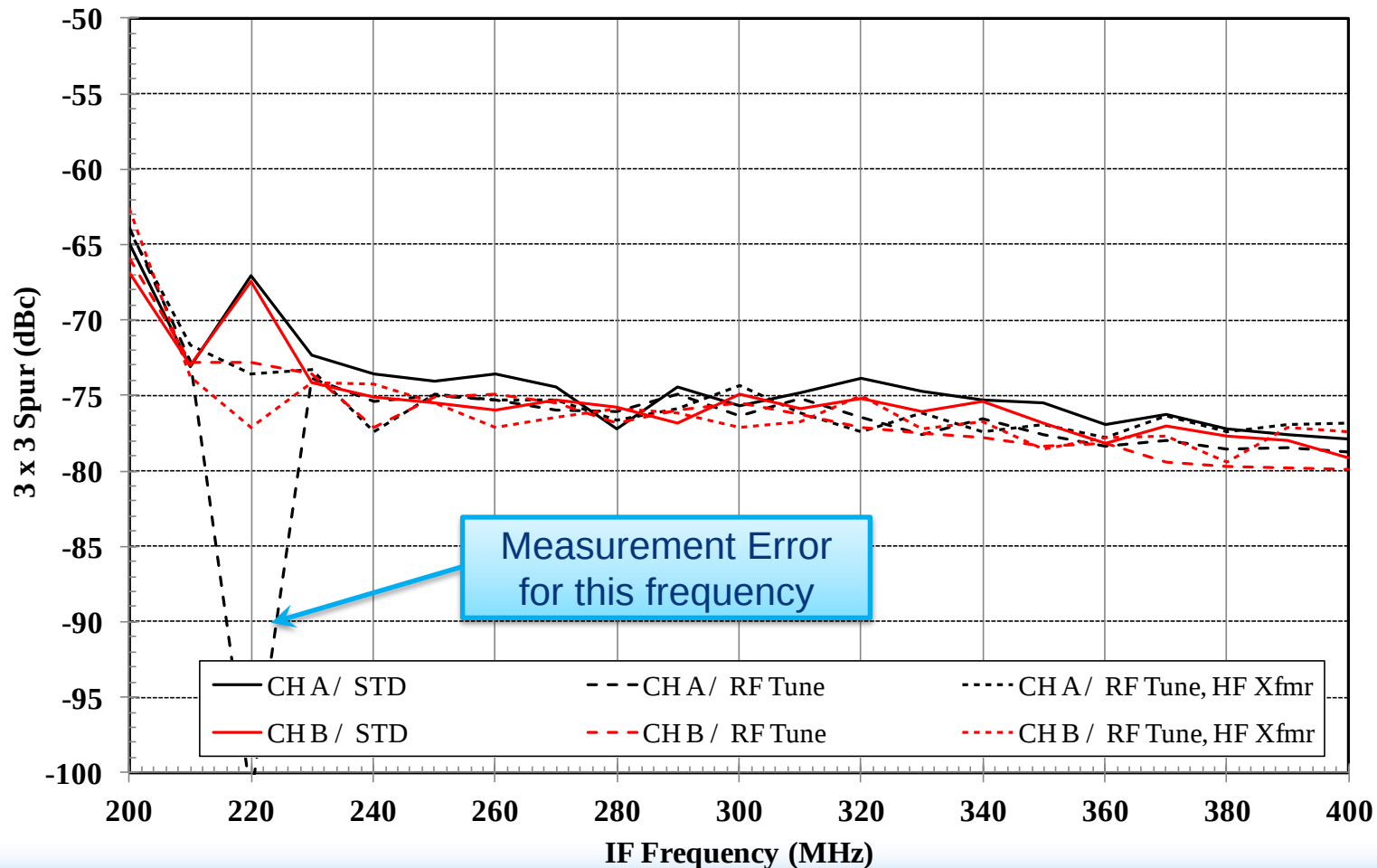


3x3 Spur, LC Mode

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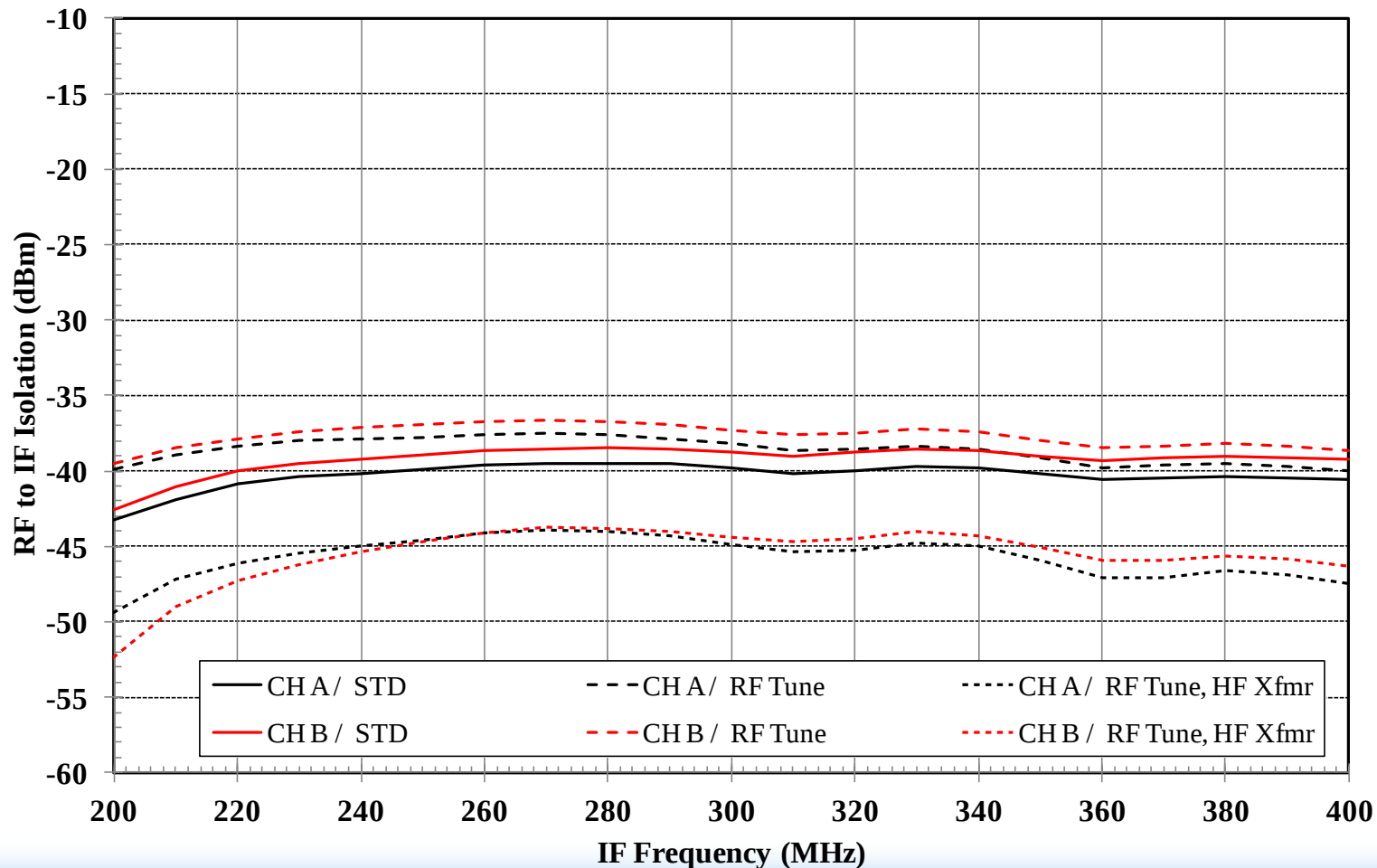


RF to IF Isolation, LC Mode

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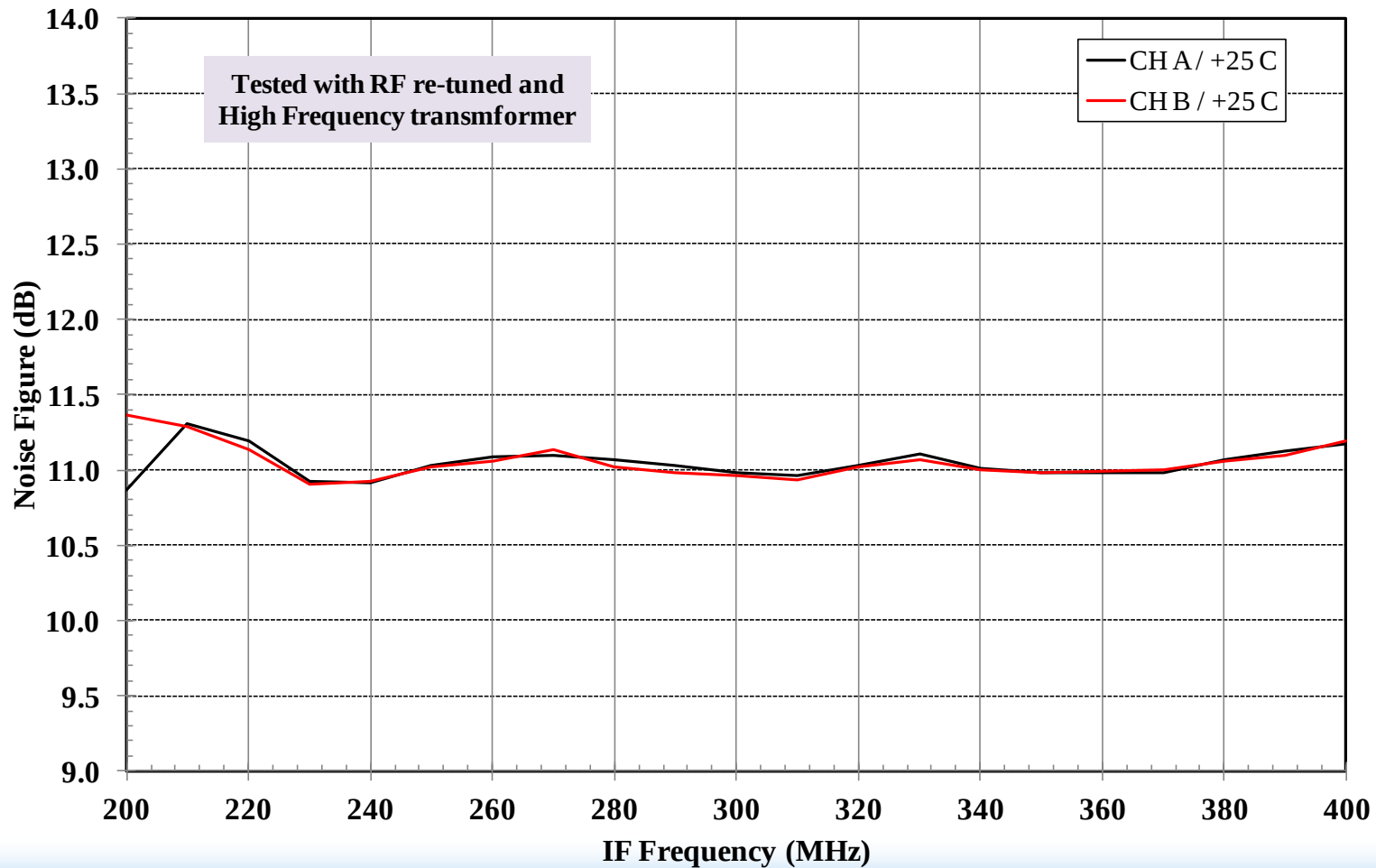
RF = 454 MHz, -10 dBm, High Side LO (LO = RF + IF), 0 dBm, +25 C

Data is measured at the evaluation Board



Noise Figure, LC Mode

F1102 Noise Figure
RF = 454 MHz, High Side LO (LO = RF + IF), 0 dBm, +25 C
Data is measured at the evaluation Board



Comments

- The gain is only 6.5 dB (datasheet has a typical gain of 8 dB), but the RF tuning helped to increase the gain from the standard configuration.
- The Output IP3 is approximately 37 dBm which is typical for the low current mode.
- The 3x3 Spur is approximately -75 dBc which is similar to the datasheet.
- The RF to IF isolation is about -45 dBm which better than the datasheet of -26 dBm.
- The noise figure is slightly worse, 11 dB versus 9.5 dB.
- *The measured data has board losses that has not be de-embedded which at most will be 0.5 dB.*