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## Dual, SiGe, High-Linearity, 1700MHz to 2700 MHz Downconversion Mixer with LO Buffer/Switch

## General Description

The MAX9995 dual, high-linearity, downconversion mixer provides 6.1 dB gain, +25.6 dBm IIP3, and 9.8 dB NF for WCDMA, TD-SCDMA, LTE, TD-LTE, and GSM/EDGE base-station applications.

This device integrates baluns in the RF and LO ports, a dual-input LO selectable switch, an LO buffer, two doublebalanced mixers, and a pair of differential IF output amplifiers. The MAX9995 requires a typical LO drive of OdBm and supply current is guaranteed to be below 380 mA .
These devices are available in a compact 36-pin TQFN package ( $6 \mathrm{~mm} \times 6 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) with an exposed pad. Electrical performance is guaranteed over the extended temperature range, from $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

## Applications

- WCDMA, TD-SCDMA, and cdma2000® 3G Base Stations
- LTE and TD-LTE Base Stations
- GSM/EDGE Base Stations
- PHS/PAS Base Stations
- Fixed Broadband Wireless Access
- Wireless Local Loop
- Private Mobile Radio
- Military Systems


## Pin Configuration/

 Functional Diagram

## Features

- 1700 MHz to 2700 MHz RF Frequency Range
- 1400 MHz to 2600 MHz LO Frequency Range
- 40 MHz to 350 MHz IF Frequency Range
- 6.1 dB Conversion Gain
- +25.6 dBm Input IP3
- 9.8 dB Noise Figure
- 66dBc 2RF - 2LO Spurious Rejection at $P_{R F}=-10 d B m$
- Dual Channels Ideal for Diversity Receiver Applications
- Integrated LO Buffer
- Integrated RF and LO Baluns for Single-Ended Inputs
- Low -3dBm to +3dBm LO Drive
- Built-In SPDT LO Switch with 50dB LO1-LO2 Isolation and 50ns Switching Time
- 44 dB Channel-to-Channel Isolation


## Ordering Information

| PART | TEMP RANGE | PIN-PACKAGE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MAX9995ETX + | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}{ }^{*}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 36 TQFN-EP ${ }^{* *}$ |
| MAX9995ETX+T | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}{ }^{*}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 36 TQFN-EP** |

+Denotes a lead(PB)-free and RoHS-compliant package.
${ }^{*} T_{C}=$ Case temperature.
${ }^{* *} E P=$ Exposed pad.
$T$ = Tape and reel.
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## Absolute Maximum Ratings


Continuous Power Dissipation (Note 1) ...........................6.75W
Operating Temperature Range (Note 2).......................... $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Maximum Junction Temperature ..................... $65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Storage Temperature Range .............................. $+300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) ....................................... $260^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

Note 1: Based on junction temperature $T_{J}=T_{C}+\left(\theta_{J C} \times V_{C C} \times I_{C C}\right)$. This formula can be used when the temperature of the exposed pad is known while the device is soldered down to a PCB. See the Applications Information section for details. The junction temperature must not exceed $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
Note 2: $T_{C}$ is the temperature on the exposed pad of the package. $T_{A}$ is the ambient temperature of the device and PCB.


#### Abstract

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.


## Package Thermal Characteristics

TQFN
Junction-to-Ambient Thermal Resistance $\left(\theta_{\mathrm{JA}}\right)$
(Note 3, 4)...................................................... $38^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$
Junction-to-Board Thermal Resistance $\left(\theta_{\mathrm{JB}}\right) \ldots \ldots . . . . . .12 .2^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$

Junction-to-Case Thermal Resistance ( $\mathrm{\theta}_{\mathrm{Jc}}$ )
(Note 1, 4).
$.7 .4^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$

Note 3: Junction temperature $T_{J}=T_{A}+\left(\theta_{J A} \times V_{C C} \times I_{C C}\right)$. This formula can be used when the ambient temperature of the PCB is known. The junction temperature must not exceed $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
Note 4: Package thermal resistances were obtained using the method described in JEDEC specification JESD51-7, using a four-layer board. For detailed information on package thermal considerations, refer to www.maximintegrated.com/thermal-tutorial.

## DC Electrical Characteristics

(Typical Application Circuit, no input RF or LO signals applied, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=4.75 \mathrm{~V}$ to $5.25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{C}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Typical values are at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Supply Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$ |  | 4.75 | 5 | 5.25 | V |
| Supply Current | ${ }^{\text {cc }}$ | Total supply current |  | 332 | 380 | mA |
|  |  | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {CC }}(\mathrm{pin} 16)$ |  | 82 | 90 |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {CC }}(\mathrm{pin} 30)$ |  | 97 | 110 |  |
|  |  | IFM+/IFM- (total of both) |  | 70 | 90 |  |
|  |  | IFD+/IFD- (total of both) |  | 70 | 90 |  |
| LOSEL Input High Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IH}}$ |  | 2 |  |  | V |
| LOSEL Input Low Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IL }}$ |  |  |  | 0.8 | V |
| LOSEL Input Current | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{IL}}$ and $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{IH}}$ |  | -10 |  | +10 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |

## Recommended AC Operating Conditions

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| UNITS |  |  |  |  |  |
| RF Frequency Range | $\mathrm{f}_{\text {RF }}$ | (Note 5) | 1700 | 2700 | MHz |
| LO Frequency Range | $\mathrm{f}_{\text {LO }}$ | (Note 5) | 1400 | 2600 | MHz |
| IF Frequency Range | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{IF}}$ | (Note 5) | 40 | 350 | MHz |
| LO Drive Level | $\mathrm{P}_{\text {LO }}$ | (Note 5) | -3 | +3 | dBm |

## Dual, SiGe, High-Linearity, 1700 MHz to 2700 MHz

 Downconversion Mixer with LO Buffer/Switch
## AC Electrical Characteristics-fRF $=1700 \mathrm{MHz}$ TO 2200MHz

(Typical Application Circuit, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=4.75 \mathrm{~V}$ to 5.25 V , RF and LO ports are driven from $50 \Omega$ sources, $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=-3 \mathrm{dBm}$ to +3 dBm , $f_{R F}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}$ to $2200 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}=1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to $2000 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{IF}}=200 \mathrm{MHz}$, with $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}>\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Typical values are at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{IF}}=200 \mathrm{MHz}$, and $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 6, 7)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS |  |  | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Conversion Gain | $\mathrm{G}_{\mathrm{C}}$ |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1710 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1875 MHz |  |  | 6 |  | dB |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1850 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1910 MHz |  |  | 6.2 |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  | 4.6 |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=2110 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2170 MHz |  |  | 6.1 |  |  |
| Gain Variation from Nominal |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \\ & \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \\ & \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \\ & \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-10 \mathrm{dBm} \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1710 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1875 MHz |  |  | $\pm 0.5$ | $\pm 1$ | dB |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1850 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1910 MHz |  |  | $\pm 0.5$ | $\pm 1$ |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=2110 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2170 MHz |  |  | $\pm 0.5$ | $\pm 1$ |  |
| Gain Variation with Temperature |  |  |  |  |  | $\pm 0.75$ |  | dB |
| Noise Figure | NF | No blockers present | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1710 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1875 MHz |  |  | 9.7 |  | dB |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1850 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1910 MHz |  |  | 9.8 |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=2110 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2170 MHz |  |  | 9.9 |  |  |
| Noise Figure (with Blocker) |  | 8dBm blocker tone applied to RF port at $2000 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}=1710 \mathrm{MHz}$, $P_{\text {LO }}=-3 \mathrm{dBm}$ |  |  |  | 22 |  | dB |
| Input 1dB Compression Point | $\mathrm{P}_{1 \mathrm{~dB}}$ | (Note 8) |  |  | 9.5 | 12.6 |  | dBm |
| Input Third-Order Intercept Point | IIP3 | (Notes 8, 9) |  |  | 23 | 25.6 |  | dBm |
|  |  | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Note 9 |  |  |  | 26.1 |  |  |
| 2RF-2LO Spur Rejection | $2 \times 2$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \\ & \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}, \\ & \mathrm{f}_{\text {SPUR }}=1800 \mathrm{MHz} \end{aligned}$ | $P_{\text {RF }}=-10 \mathrm{dBm}$ |  |  | 66 |  | dBc |
|  |  |  | $P_{\text {RF }}=-10 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  | 73.3 |  |  |
|  |  |  | $P_{\text {RF }}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}$ |  |  | 61 |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{P}_{\text {RF }}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  | 68.3 |  |  |
| 3RF-3LO Spur Rejection | $3 \times 3$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \\ & \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}, \\ & \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{SPUR}}=1766.7 \mathrm{MHz} \end{aligned}$ | $P_{\text {RF }}=-10 \mathrm{dBm}$ |  | 70 | 88 |  | dBc |
|  |  |  | $P_{\text {RF }}=-10 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  | 84.5 |  |  |
|  |  |  | $P_{\text {RF }}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}$ |  | 60 | 78 |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  | 74.5 |  |  |
| Maximum LO Leakage at RF Port |  | $\mathrm{fLO}=1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2000 MHz |  |  |  | -29 |  | dBm |
| Maximum 2LO Leakage at RF Port |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}=1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2000 MHz |  |  |  | -17 |  | dBm |
| Maximum LO Leakage at IF Port |  | $\mathrm{fLO}=1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2000 MHz |  |  |  | -25 |  | dBm |
|  |  | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  | -50.4 |  |  |
| Minimum RF-to-IF Isolation |  | $\mathrm{f}_{\text {RF }}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}$ to $2200 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{IF}}=200 \mathrm{MHz}$ |  |  |  | 37 |  | dB |
|  |  | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+100^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  |  |  | 44 |  |  |
| LO1 - LO2 Isolation |  | $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO} 1}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO} 2}=0 \mathrm{dBm}$ (Note 10) |  |  | 40 | 50.5 |  | dB |
| Minimum Channel-to-Channel Isolation |  | $P_{R F}=-10 \mathrm{dBm}$, RFMAIN (RFDIV) power measured at IFDIV (IFMAIN), relative to IFMAIN (IFDIV), all unused ports terminated at $50 \Omega$ |  |  | 40 | 44 |  | dB |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}= \\ & +100^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \end{aligned}$ |  | 54.7 |  |  |
| LO Switching Time |  | $50 \%$ of LOSEL to IF settled to within $2^{\circ}$ |  |  |  | 50 |  | ns |

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## AC Electrical Characteristics-fRF $=\mathbf{2 5 4 0 M H z}$

(Typical Application Circuit, RF and LO ports are driven from $50 \Omega$ sources, $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}>\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}, \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}$, PLO $=0 \mathrm{dBm}$, $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=2540 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}=2400 \mathrm{MHz}$, fIF $=140 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Note 7)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: | :---: |

Note 5: Operation outside this frequency band is possible but has not been characterized. See the Typical Operating Characteristics.
Note 6: Guaranteed by design and characterization.
Note 7: All limits reflect losses of external components. Output measurements taken at IF outputs of Typical Application Circuit.
Note 8: Production tested.
Note 9: Two tones 3 MHz spacing, -5 dBm per tone at RF port.
Note 10: Measured at IF port at IF frequency. $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO} 1}$ and $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}$ are offset by 1 MHz .
Note 11: IF return loss can be optimized by external matching components.

## Typical Operating Characteristics

(Typical Application Circuit, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{LO}$ is low-side injected for a $200 \mathrm{MHz} \mathrm{IF}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.)


## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

(Typical Application Circuit, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{LO}$ is low-side injected for a $200 \mathrm{MHz} \mathrm{IF}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.)



2RF - 2 LO vs. FUNDAMENTAL FREQUENCY




3RF - 3LO vs. FUNDAMENTAL FREQUENCY




3RF - 3LO vs. FUNDAMENTAL FREQUENCY


## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

(Typical Application Circuit, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{LO}$ is low-side injected for a $200 \mathrm{MHz} \mathrm{IF}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.)


## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

(Typical Application Circuit, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{LO}$ is low-side injected for a $200 \mathrm{MHz} \mathrm{IF}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.)


## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

(Typical Application Circuit, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{LO}$ is low-side injected for a $200 \mathrm{MHz} \mathrm{IF}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.)


LO RETURN LOSS vs. LO FREQUENCY
(LO INPUT UN SELECTED)


SUPPLY CURRENT vs. TEMPERATURE ( $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}$ )


Pin Description

| PIN | NAME | FUNCTION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | RFMAIN | Main Channel RF Input. Internally matched to 50ת. Requires an input DC-blocking capacitor. |
| 2 | TAPMAIN | Main Channel Balun Center Tap. Connect a $0.033 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ capacitor from this pin to the board ground. |
| $\begin{gathered} 3,5,7,12,20,22 \\ 24,25,26,34 \end{gathered}$ | GND | Ground |
| $\begin{gathered} 4,6,10,16,21, \\ 30,36 \end{gathered}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$ | Power Supply. Connect bypass capacitors as close as possible to the pin (see the Typical Application Circuit). |
| 8 | TAPDIV | Diversity Channel Balun Center Tap. Connect a $0.033 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ capacitor from this pin to the ground. |
| 9 | RFDIV | Diversity Channel RF Input. Internally matched to $50 \Omega$. Requires an input DC-blocking capacitor. |
| 11 | IFD_SET | IF Diversity Amplifier Bias Control. Connect a $1.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ resistor from this pin to ground to set the bias current for the diversity IF amplifier. |
| 13, 14 | IFD+, IFD- | Diversity Mixer Differential IF Output. Connect pullup inductors from each of these pins to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$ (see the Typical Application Circuit). |
| 15 | IND_EXTD | Connect a 10nH inductor from this pin to ground to increase the RF-IF and LO-IF isolation. |
| 17 | LO_ADJ_D | LO Diversity Amplifier Bias Control. Connect a $392 \Omega$ resistor from this pin to ground to set the bias current for the diversity LO amplifier. |
| 18, 28 | N.C. | No Connection. Not internally connected. |
| 19 | LO1 | Local Oscillator 1 Input. This input is internally matched to $50 \Omega$. Requires an input DC-blocking capacitor. |
| 23 | LOSEL | Local Oscillator Select. Set this pin to high to select LO1. Set to low to select LO2. |
| 27 | LO2 | Local Oscillator 2 Input. This input is internally matched to $50 \Omega$. Requires an input DC-blocking capacitor. |
| 29 | LO_ADJ_M | LO Main Amplifier Bias Control. Connect a $392 \Omega$ resistor from this pin to ground to set the bias current for the main LO amplifier. |
| 31 | IND_EXTM | Connect a 10nH inductor from this pin to ground to increase the RF-IF and LO-IF isolation. |
| 32, 33 | IFM-, IFM + | Main Mixer Differential IF Output. Connect pullup inductors from each of these pins to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$ (see the Typical Application Circuit). |
| 35 | IFM_SET | IF Main Amplifier Bias Control. Connect a $1.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ resistor from this pin to ground to set the bias current for the main IF amplifier. |
| - | EP | Exposed Pad. Internally connected to GND. Solder this exposed pad to a PCB pad that uses multiple ground vias to provide heat transfer out of the device into the PCB ground planes. These multiple via grounds are also required to achieve the noted RF performance. |

## Detailed Description

The MAX9995 dual, high-linearity, downconversion mixer provides 6.1 dB gain and +25.6 dBm IIP3, with a 9.8 dB noise figure. Integrated baluns and matching circuitry allow $50 \Omega$ single-ended interfaces to the RF and LO ports. A single-pole, double-throw (SPDT) LO switch provides 50 ns switching time between LO inputs, with 50 dB LO-to-LO isolation. Furthermore, the integrated LO buffer provides a high drive level to the mixer core, reducing the LO drive required at the MAX9995's inputs to -3dBm. The IF port incorporates a differential output, which is ideal for providing enhanced 2RF-2LO performance.
Specifications are guaranteed over broad frequency ranges to allow for use in WCDMA, TD-SCDMA, LTE, TD-LTE, and GSM/EDGE base stations. The MAX9995 is specified to operate over an RF input range of 1700 MHz to 2700 MHz , an LO range of 1400 MHz to 2600 MHz , and an IF range of 40 MHz to 350 MHz . Operation beyond this is possible; however, performance is not characterized. This device is available in a compact $6 \mathrm{~mm} \times 6 \mathrm{~mm}, 36$-pin TQFN package with an exposed pad.

## RF Input and Balun

The MAX9995's two RF inputs (RFMAIN and RFDIV) are internally matched to $50 \Omega$, requiring no external matching components. DC-blocking capacitors are required as the inputs are internally DC shorted to ground through the on-chip baluns. Input return loss is typically 14 dB over the entire RF frequency range of 1700 MHz to 2700 MHz .

## LO Input, Switch, Buffer, and Balun

The mixers can be used for either high-side or lowside injection applications with an LO frequency range of 1400 MHz to 2600 MHz . As an added feature, the MAX9995 includes an internal LO SPDT switch that can be used for frequency-hopping applications. The switch selects one of the two single-ended LO ports, allowing the external oscillator to settle on a particular frequency before it is switched in. LO switching time is typically less than 50 ns , which is more than adequate for virtually all GSM applications. If frequency hopping is not employed, set the switch to either of the LO inputs. The switch is controlled by a digital input (LOSEL): logic-high selects LO1, and logic-low selects LO2. LO1 and LO2 inputs are internally matched to $50 \Omega$, requiring only a 22 pF DC-blocking capacitor.

A two-stage internal LO buffer allows a wide input power range for the LO drive. All guaranteed specifications are for an LO signal power from -3 dBm to +3 dBm .
The on-chip low-loss balun, along with an LO buffer, drives the double-balanced mixer. All interfacing and matching components from the LO inputs to the IF outputs are integrated on-chip.

## High-Linearity Mixers

The core of the MAX9995 is a pair of double-balanced, high-performance passive mixers. Exceptional linearity is provided by the large LO swing from the on-chip LO buffer. When combined with the integrated IF amplifiers, the cascaded IIP3, 2RF - 2 LO rejection, and NF performance is typically $+25.6 \mathrm{dBm}, 66 \mathrm{dBc}$, and 9.8 dB , respectively.

## Differential IF Output Amplifiers

The MAX9995 mixers have an IF frequency range of 40 MHz to 350 MHz . The differential, open-collector IF output ports require external pullup inductors to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$. Note that these differential outputs are ideal for providing enhanced 2RF-2LO rejection performance. Singleended IF applications require a $4: 1$ balun to transform the $200 \Omega$ differential output impedance to a $50 \Omega$ single-ended output. After the balun, VSWR is typically 1.5:1.

## Applications Information

## Input and Output Matching

The RF and LO inputs are internally matched to $50 \Omega$. No matching components are required. Return loss at each RF port is typically 14 dB over the entire input range ( 1700 MHz to 2700 MHz ), and return loss at the LO ports is typically $18 \mathrm{~dB}(1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2000 MHz ). RF and LO inputs require only DC-blocking capacitors for interfacing. The IF output impedance is $200 \Omega$ (differential). For evaluation, an external low-loss $4: 1$ (impedance ratio) balun transforms this impedance down to a $50 \Omega$ single-ended output (see the Typical Application Circuit).

## Bias Resistors

Bias currents for the LO buffer and the IF amplifier are optimized by fine tuning the resistors (R1, R2, R4, and R5). If reduced current is required at the expense of performance, contact the factory. If the $\pm 1 \%$ bias resistor values are not readily available, substitute standard $\pm 5 \%$ values. Downconversion Mixer with LO Buffer/Switch

## INDEXTM and INDEXTD Inductors

Short INDEXTM and INDEXTD to ground using $0 \Omega$ resistors. For applications requiring improved RF-to-IF and LO-to-IF isolation, use 10 nH inductors (L3 and L6) in place of the $0 \Omega$ resistors. However, to ensure stable operation, the mixer IF ports must be presented with low common-mode load impedance. Contact the factory for details. Since approximately 100 mA flows through INDEXTM and INDEXTD, it is important to use low-DCR wire-wound inductors.

## Layout Considerations

A properly designed PCB is an essential part of any RF/microwave circuit. Keep RF signal lines as short as possible to reduce losses, radiation, and inductance. For the best performance, route the ground pin traces directly to the exposed pad under the package. The PCB exposed pad MUST be connected to the ground plane of the PCB. It is suggested that multiple vias be used to connect this pad to the lower-level ground planes. This method provides a good RF/thermal-conduction path for the device. Solder the exposed pad on the bottom of the device package to the PCB. The MAX9995 evaluation kit can be used as a reference for board layout. Gerber files are available upon request at www.maximintegrated.com.

## Power-Supply Bypassing

Proper voltage-supply bypassing is essential for highfrequency circuit stability. Bypass each $V_{C C}$ pin with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin (Typical Application Circuit).

## Exposed Pad RF/Thermal Considerations

The exposed pad (EP) of the MAX9995's 36-pin TQFNEP package provides a low thermal-resistance path to the die. It is important that the PCB on which the MAX9995 is mounted be designed to conduct heat from the EP. In addition, provide the EP with a low-inductance path to electrical ground. The EP MUST be soldered to a ground plane on the PCB, either directly or through an array of plated via holes.

Table 1. Component Values

| COMPONENT | VALUE | DESCRIPTION |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| C1, C8 | 4 pF | Microwave capacitors (0402) |
| C2, C7 | 10 pF | Microwave capacitors (0402) |
| C3, C6 | $0.033 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | Microwave capacitors (0603) |
| C4, C5, C14, C16 | 22 pF | Microwave capacitors (0402) |
| C9, C13, C15, <br> C17, C18 | $0.01 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | Microwave capacitors (0402) |
| C10, C11, C12, <br> C19, C20, C21 | 150 pF | Microwave capacitors (0603) |
| L1, L2, L4, L5 | 330 nH | Wire-wound high-Q inductors <br> (0805) |
| L3, L6 | 10 nH | Wire-wound high-Q inductors <br> $(0603)$ |
| R1, R4 | $1.21 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | $\pm 1 \%$ resistors (0402) |
| R2, R5 | $392 \Omega$ | $\pm 1 \%$ resistors (0402) |
| R3, R6 | $10 \Omega$ | $\pm 1 \%$ resistors (1206) |
| T1, T2 | $4: 1$ <br> $(200: 50)$ | IF baluns |

## Chip Information

PROCESS: BiCMOS

## Lead-Free/RoHS Considerations

http://www.maximintegrated.com/emmi/faq.cfm

## Reliability Information:

http://www.maximintegrated.com/reliability/product/ MAX9995.pdf

## Package Information

For the latest package outline information and land patterns (footprints), go to www.maximintegrated.com/packages. Note that a "+", "\#", or "-" in the package code indicates RoHS status only. Package drawings may show a different suffix character, but the drawing pertains to the package regardless of RoHS status.

| PACKAGE <br> TYPE | PACKAGE <br> CODE | OUTLINE <br> NO. | LAND <br> PATTERN NO. |
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| 36 TQFN-EP | $\mathrm{T} 3666+2$ | $\underline{21-0141}$ | $\underline{90-0049}$ |

Typical Application Circuit


Revision History

| REVISION <br> NUMBER | REVISION <br> DATE | DESCRIPTION | PAGES <br> CHANGED |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 0 | $8 / 04$ | Initial release | - |
| 1 | $3 / 11$ | Updated the band coverage throughout the data sheet | $1-13$ |
| 2 | $12 / 12$ | Updated the Electrical Characteristic table and Ordering Information; updated <br> Package Thermal Characteristics | $1,2,3$ |
| 3 | $1 / 21$ | Updated the Package Information table. | 11 |


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