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



### **General Description**

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

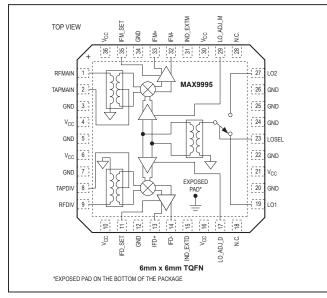
This device integrates baluns in the RF and LO ports, a dual-input LO selectable switch, an LO buffer, two doublebalanced mixers, and a pair of differential IF output amplifiers. The MAX9995 requires a typical LO drive of 0dBm and supply current is guaranteed to be below 380mA.

These devices are available in a compact 36-pin TQFN package (6mm × 6mm) with an exposed pad. Electrical performance is guaranteed over the extended temperature range, from  $T_C = -40^{\circ}C$  to  $+100^{\circ}C$ .

## **Applications**

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

### Pin Configuration/ Functional Diagram



#### **Features**

- 1700MHz to 2700MHz RF Frequency Range
- 1400MHz to 2600MHz LO Frequency Range
- 40MHz to 350MHz IF Frequency Range
- 6.1dB Conversion Gain
- +25.6dBm Input IP3
- 9.8dB Noise Figure
- 66dBc 2RF 2LO Spurious Rejection at P<sub>RF</sub> = -10dBm
- 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
- 44dB Channel-to-Channel Isolation

### **Ordering Information**

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

+Denotes a lead(PB)-free and RoHS-compliant package.

 $T_{C}$  = Case temperature.

\*\*ĔP = Exposed pad.

T = Tape and reel.

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### **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

| V <sub>CC</sub> 0.3V to +5.5V                             | Continuous Power Dissipation (Note 1)6.75W                           |
|---|--|
| LÕ1, LO2 to GND±0.3V                                      | Operating Temperature Range (Note 2)T <sub>C</sub> = -40°C to +100°C |
| IFM_, IFD_, IFM_SET, IFD_SET, LOSEL,                      | Maximum Junction Temperature+150°C                                   |
| LO_ADJ_M, LO_ADJ_D to GND0.3V to (V <sub>CC</sub> + 0.3V) | Storage Temperature Range65°C to +150°C                              |
| RFMAIN, RFDIV, and LO_ Input Power+20dBm                  | Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s)+300°C                              |
| RFMAIN, RFDIV Current                                     | Soldering Temperature (reflow)+260°C                                 |
| (RF is DC shorted to GND through balun)50mA               |  |

Note 1: Based on junction temperature  $T_J = T_C + (\theta_{JC} \times V_{CC} \times I_{CC})$ . 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°C.

Note 2: T<sub>C</sub> is the temperature on the exposed pad of the package. T<sub>A</sub> is the ambient temperature of the device and PCB.

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 (θ <sub>.IA</sub> ) |          |
| (Note 3, 4)  | 38°C/W   |
| Junction-to-Board Thermal Resistance $(\theta_{JB})$       | 12.2°C/W |

| Junction-to-Case Thermal Resistance (θ <sub>JC</sub> ) |  |
|--|--|
| (Note 1, 4)7.4°C/W                                     |  |

Note 3: Junction temperature T<sub>J</sub> = T<sub>A</sub> + (θ<sub>JA</sub> x V<sub>CC</sub> x I<sub>CC</sub>). This formula can be used when the ambient temperature of the PCB is known. The junction temperature must not exceed +150°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 <a href="http://www.maximintegrated.com/thermal-tutorial">www.maximintegrated.com/thermal-tutorial</a>.

## **DC Electrical Characteristics**

| (Typical Application Circuit, no input RF or LO signals applied, V <sub>CC</sub> = 4.75V to 5.25V, T <sub>C</sub> = -40°C to +85°C. Typical values are at |
|---|
| $V_{CC}$ = 5.0V, $T_{C}$ = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.)  |

| PARAMETER                | SYMBOL                              | CONDITIONS                | MIN  | TYP | MAX  | UNITS |  |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|------|-----|------|-------|--|
| Supply Voltage           | V <sub>CC</sub>                     |                           | 4.75 | 5   | 5.25 | V     |  |
| Supply Current           |                                     | Total supply current      |      | 332 | 380  |       |  |
|                          |                                     | V <sub>CC</sub> (pin 16)  |      | 82  | 90   |       |  |
|                          | ICC                                 | V <sub>CC</sub> (pin 30)  |      | 97  | 110  | mA    |  |
|                          |                                     | IFM+/IFM- (total of both) |      | 70  | 90   | 1     |  |
|                          |                                     | IFD+/IFD- (total of both) |      | 70  | 90   | 1     |  |
| LOSEL Input High Voltage | VIH                                 |                           | 2    |     |      | V     |  |
| LOSEL Input Low Voltage  | VIL                                 |                           |      |     | 0.8  | V     |  |
| LOSEL Input Current      | I <sub>IL</sub> and I <sub>IH</sub> |                           | -10  |     | +10  | μA    |  |

### **Recommended AC Operating Conditions**

| PARAMETER          | SYMBOL          | CONDITIONS | MIN  | TYP | MAX  | UNITS |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------|------|-----|------|-------|
| RF Frequency Range | f <sub>RF</sub> | (Note 5)   | 1700 |     | 2700 | MHz   |
| LO Frequency Range | f <sub>LO</sub> | (Note 5)   | 1400 |     | 2600 | MHz   |
| IF Frequency Range | f <sub>IF</sub> | (Note 5)   | 40   |     | 350  | MHz   |
| LO Drive Level     | P <sub>LO</sub> | (Note 5)   | -3   |     | +3   | dBm   |

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## AC Electrical Characteristics—f<sub>RF</sub> = 1700MHz TO 2200MHz

(*Typical Application Circuit*,  $V_{CC}$  = 4.75V to 5.25V, RF and LO ports are driven from 50 $\Omega$  sources,  $P_{LO}$  = -3dBm to +3dBm, f<sub>RF</sub> = 1700MHz to 2200MHz, f<sub>LO</sub> = 1400MHz to 2000MHz, f<sub>IF</sub> = 200MHz, with f<sub>RF</sub> > f<sub>LO</sub>, T<sub>C</sub> = -40°C to +85°C. Typical values are at  $V_{CC}$  = 5.0V,  $P_{LO}$  = 0dBm, f<sub>RF</sub> = 1900MHz, f<sub>LO</sub> = 1700MHz, f<sub>IF</sub> = 200MHz, and T<sub>C</sub> = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 6, 7)

| PARAMETER                         | SYMBOL           | C   | CONDITIONS                             |                            | MIN  | TYP   | MAX | UNITS |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|---|--|----------------------------|------|-------|-----|-------|--|
|                                   |                  |   | $f_{RF}$ = 1710MHz to                  | 1875MHz                    |      | 6     |     | ]     |  |
| Conversion Gain                   |                  |   | f <sub>RF</sub> = 1850MHz to           | 1910MHz                    |      | 6.2   |     | dB    |  |
|                                   | G <sub>C</sub>   |   | T <sub>C</sub> = +100°C                |                            |      | 4.6   |     |       |  |
|                                   |                  |   | f <sub>RF</sub> = 2110MHz to           | 2170MHz                    |      | 6.1   |     |       |  |
|                                   |                  | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5.0V,   | f <sub>RF</sub> = 1710MHz to           | 1875MHz                    |      | ±0.5  | ±1  | dB    |  |
| Gain Variation from Nominal       |                  | T <sub>C</sub> = +25°C,<br>P <sub>LO</sub> = 0dBm,  | f <sub>RF</sub> = 1850MHz to           | 1910MHz                    |      | ±0.5  | ±1  |       |  |
|                                   |                  | $P_{RF} = -10 dBm$  | $f_{RF} = 2110MHz$ to 2                | 2170MHz                    |      | ±0.5  | ±1  |       |  |
| Gain Variation with Temperature   |                  |   |  |                            |      | ±0.75 |     | dB    |  |
|                                   |                  |   | f <sub>RF</sub> = 1710MHz to           | 1875MHz                    |      | 9.7   |     |       |  |
| Noise Figure                      | NF               | No blockers<br>present  | f <sub>RF</sub> = 1850MHz to           | 1910MHz                    |      | 9.8   |     | dB    |  |
|                                   |                  | present   | f <sub>RF</sub> = 2110MHz to           | 2170MHz                    |      | 9.9   |     | 1     |  |
| Noise Figure (with Blocker)       |                  | 8dBm blocker tone applied to RF port at<br>2000MHz, $f_{RF}$ = 1900MHz, $f_{LO}$ = 1710MHz,<br>$P_{LO}$ = -3dBm |  |                            | 22   |       | dB  |       |  |
| Input 1dB Compression Point       | P <sub>1dB</sub> | (Note 8)  |  | 9.5                        | 12.6 |       | dBm |       |  |
| land Third Orden laters and Deint | IIP3             | (Notes 8, 9)  |  | 23                         | 25.6 |       | dBm |       |  |
| Input Third-Order Intercept Point |                  | T <sub>C</sub> = +100°C, Note 9   |  |                            | 26.1 |       |     |       |  |
|                                   | 2 x 2            |   | P <sub>RF</sub> = -10dBm               |                            |      | 66    |     | dBc   |  |
| 2RF - 2LO Spur Rejection          |                  | f <sub>RF</sub> = 1900MHz,<br>f <sub>LO</sub> = 1700MHz,<br>f <sub>SPUR</sub> = 1800MHz                         | $P_{RF} = -10 dBm, T_{0}$              | <sub>C</sub> = +100°C      |      | 73.3  |     |       |  |
|                                   |                  |   | , P <sub>RF</sub> = -5dBm              |                            |      | 61    |     |       |  |
|                                   |                  | SPUR 10000012   | P <sub>RF</sub> =-5dBm, T <sub>C</sub> | = +100°C                   |      | 68.3  |     | ]     |  |
|                                   |                  |   | P <sub>RF</sub> = -10dBm               |                            | 70   | 88    |     |       |  |
| 2DE 21 O Spur Principa            | 2.22             | f <sub>RF</sub> = 1900MHz,  | $P_{RF} = -10 dBm, T_{0}$              | <sub>C</sub> = +100°C      |      | 84.5  |     | dPo   |  |
| 3RF - 3LO Spur Rejection          | 3 x 3            | f <sub>LO</sub> = 1700MHz,<br>f <sub>SPUR</sub> = 1766.7MH:   | Hz P <sub>RF</sub> = -5dBm             |                            | 60   | 78    |     | dBc   |  |
|                                   |                  | $P_{RF} = -5dBm, T_{C} = +100^{\circ}C$   |  | = +100°C                   |      | 74.5  |     | ]     |  |
| Maximum LO Leakage at RF Port     |                  | $f_{LO}$ = 1400MHz to   | 2000MHz                                |                            |      | -29   |     | dBm   |  |
| Maximum 2LO Leakage at RF Port    |                  | $f_{LO}$ = 1400MHz to   | 2000MHz                                |                            |      | -17   |     | dBm   |  |
| Maximum I O Laakaga at IE Part    |                  | $f_{LO}$ = 1400MHz to   | 2000MHz                                |                            |      | -25   |     |       |  |
| Maximum LO Leakage at IF Port     |                  | T <sub>C</sub> = +100°C   |  |                            |      | -50.4 |     | dBm   |  |
| Minimum RF-to-IF Isolation        |                  | f <sub>RF</sub> = 1700MHz to  | 2200MHz, f <sub>IF</sub> = 200         | MHz                        |      | 37    |     | dB    |  |
| MINIMUM RF-to-IF Isolation        |                  | T <sub>C</sub> = +100°C   |  |                            |      | 44    |     |       |  |
| LO1 - LO2 Isolation               |                  | P <sub>LO1</sub> = 0dBm, P <sub>LO2</sub> = 0dBm (Note 10)  |  |                            | 40   | 50.5  |     | dB    |  |
| Minimum Channel-to-Channel        |                  | P <sub>RF</sub> = -10dBm, RF<br>power measured a  | · ,                                    |                            | 40   | 44    |     | - dB  |  |
| Isolation                         |                  | relative to IFMAIN all unused ports te  | · /·                                   | T <sub>C</sub> =<br>+100°C |      | 54.7  |     | UD    |  |
| LO Switching Time                 |                  | 50% of LOSEL to   | IF settled to within 2                 | 0                          |      | 50    |     | ns    |  |

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### AC Electrical Characteristics—f<sub>RF</sub> = 2540MHz

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

| PARAMETER                         | SYMBOL         | CONDITIONS   | MIN TYP | MAX | UNITS |  |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|--|---------|-----|-------|--|
| RF Return Loss                    |                |  | 14      |     | dB    |  |
|                                   |                | LO port selected   | 18      |     | dB    |  |
| LO Return Loss                    |                | LO port unselected   | 21      |     |       |  |
| IF Return Loss                    |                | LO driven at 0dBm, RF terminated into $50\Omega$ (Note 11)   | 21      |     | dB    |  |
| Conversion Gain                   | G <sub>C</sub> |  | 5.2     |     | dB    |  |
| Input Third-Order Intercept Point | IIP3           | Two tones: f <sub>RF1</sub> = 2540MHz, f <sub>RF2</sub> = 2541MHz,<br>P <sub>RF</sub> = -5dBm/tone   | 24.6    |     | dBm   |  |
|                                   | 2 x 2          | P <sub>RF</sub> = -10dBm   | 58      |     | dPa   |  |
| 2RF - 2LO Spurious Response       |                | P <sub>RF</sub> = -5dBm  | 63      |     | dBc   |  |
| 2DE 2LO Spurious Responses        | 2 2 2          | P <sub>RF</sub> = -10dBm   | 72      |     |       |  |
| 3RF - 3LO Spurious Response       | 3 x 3          | P <sub>RF</sub> = -5dBm  | 82      |     | dBc   |  |
| LO Leakage at IF Port             |                |  | -45     |     | dBm   |  |
| RF-to-IF Isolation                |                |  | 49      |     | dB    |  |
| Channel-to-Channel Isolation      |                | $P_{RF}$ = -10dBm, RFMAIN (RFDIV) power<br>measured at IFDIV (IFMAIN), relative to IFMAIN<br>(IFDIV), all unused ports terminated at 50 $\Omega$ | 48      |     | dB    |  |

**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.

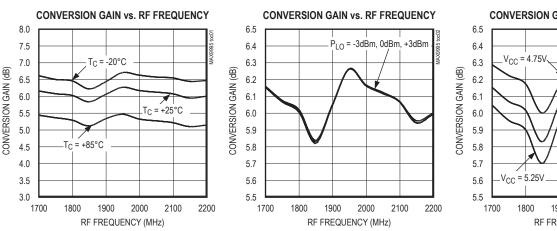
**Note 8:** Production tested.

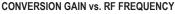
Note 9: Two tones 3MHz spacing, -5dBm per tone at RF port.

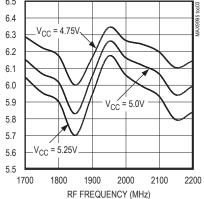
Note 10: Measured at IF port at IF frequency.  $f_{LO1}$  and  $f_{LO2}$  are offset by 1MHz.

Note 11: IF return loss can be optimized by external matching components.

### **Typical Operating Characteristics**



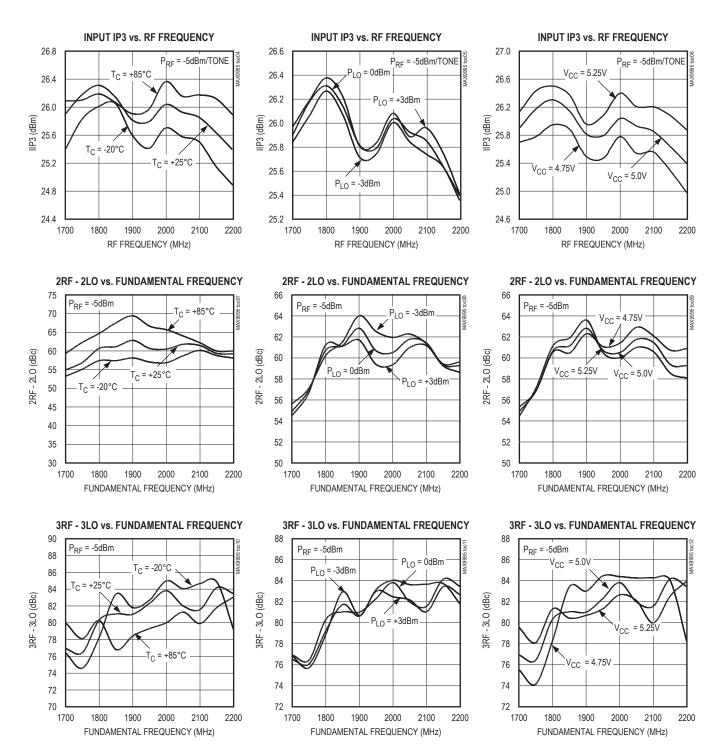




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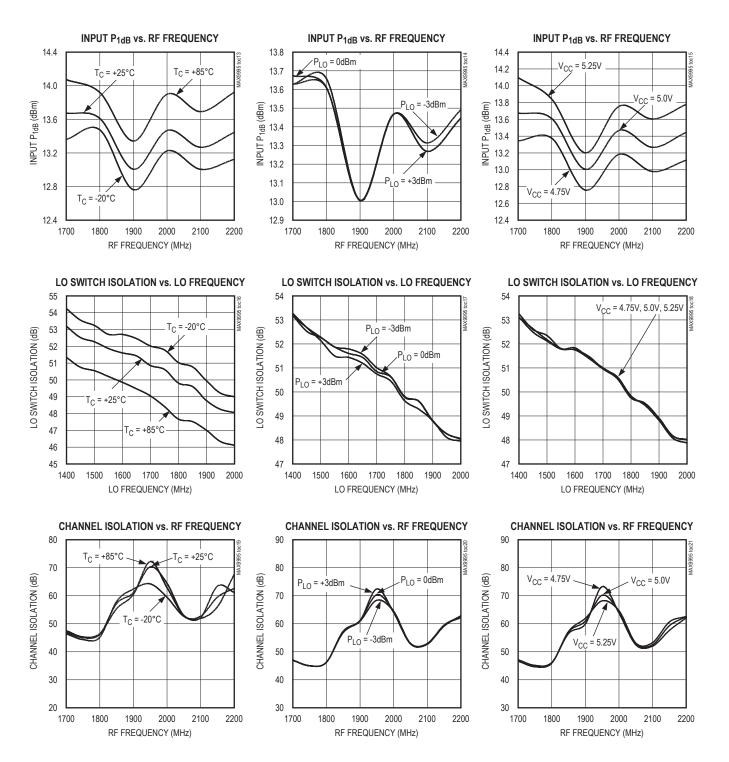
### **Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)**

(*Typical Application Circuit*,  $V_{CC}$  = 5.0V,  $P_{RF}$  = -5dBm,  $P_{LO}$  = 0dBm, LO is low-side injected for a 200MHz IF,  $T_{C}$  = +25°C.)



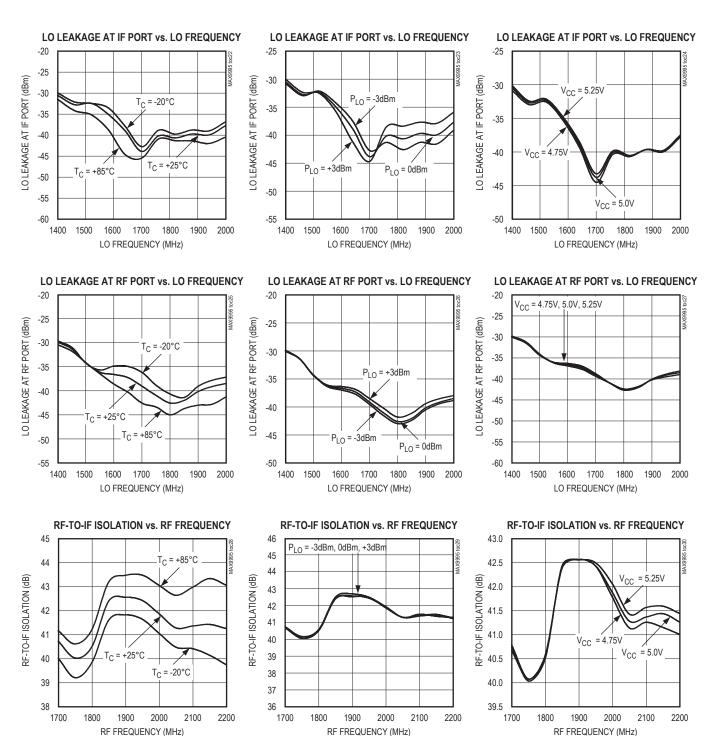
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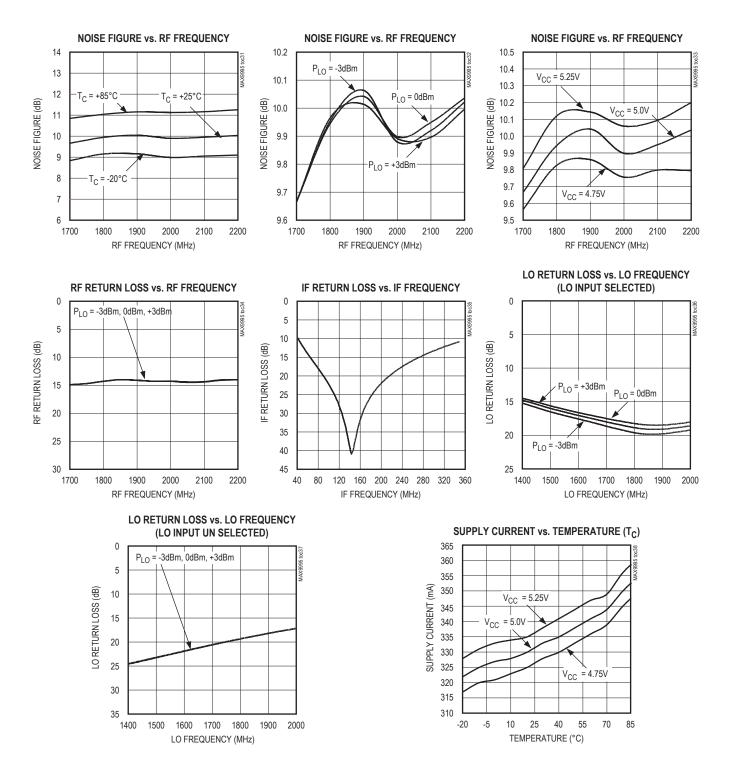
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### **Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)**



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# **Pin Description**

| PIN                                    | NAME            | FUNCTION   |
|--|-----------------|--|
| 1                                      | RFMAIN          | Main Channel RF Input. Internally matched to $50\Omega$ . Requires an input DC-blocking capacitor.   |
| 2                                      | TAPMAIN         | Main Channel Balun Center Tap. Connect a 0.033µF capacitor from this pin to the board ground.  |
| 3, 5, 7, 12, 20, 22,<br>24, 25, 26, 34 | GND             | Ground   |
| 4, 6, 10, 16, 21,<br>30, 36            | V <sub>CC</sub> | Power Supply. Connect bypass capacitors as close as possible to the pin (see the <i>Typical Application Circuit</i> ).   |
| 8                                      | TAPDIV          | Diversity Channel Balun Center Tap. Connect a 0.033µF 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 $1.2k\Omega$ 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 V <sub>CC</sub> (see the <i>Typical Application Circuit</i> ).   |
| 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 V <sub>CC</sub> (see the <i>Typical Application Circuit</i> ).  |
| 35                                     | IFM_SET         | IF Main Amplifier Bias Control. Connect a $1.2k\Omega$ 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. |

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#### **Detailed Description**

The MAX9995 dual, high-linearity, downconversion mixer provides 6.1dB gain and +25.6dBm IIP3, with a 9.8dB 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 50ns switching time between LO inputs, with 50dB 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 1700MHz to 2700MHz, an LO range of 1400MHz to 2600MHz, and an IF range of 40MHz to 350MHz. Operation beyond this is possible; however, performance is not characterized. This device is available in a compact 6mm x 6mm, 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 14dB over the entire RF frequency range of 1700MHz to 2700MHz.

#### 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 1400MHz to 2600MHz. 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 50ns, 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 22pF 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 -3dBm to +3dBm.

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 - 2LO rejection, and NF performance is typically +25.6dBm, 66dBc, and 9.8dB, respectively.

#### **Differential IF Output Amplifiers**

The MAX9995 mixers have an IF frequency range of 40MHz to 350MHz. The differential, open-collector IF output ports require external pullup inductors to V<sub>CC</sub>. Note that these differential outputs are ideal for providing enhanced 2RF - 2LO rejection performance. Single-ended 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 14dB over the entire input range (1700MHz to 2700MHz), and return loss at the LO ports is typically 18dB (1400MHz to 2000MHz). 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.

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#### **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 10nH 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 100mA 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  $V_{CC}$  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 TQFN-EP 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.

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

#### **Table 1. Component Values**

#### **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

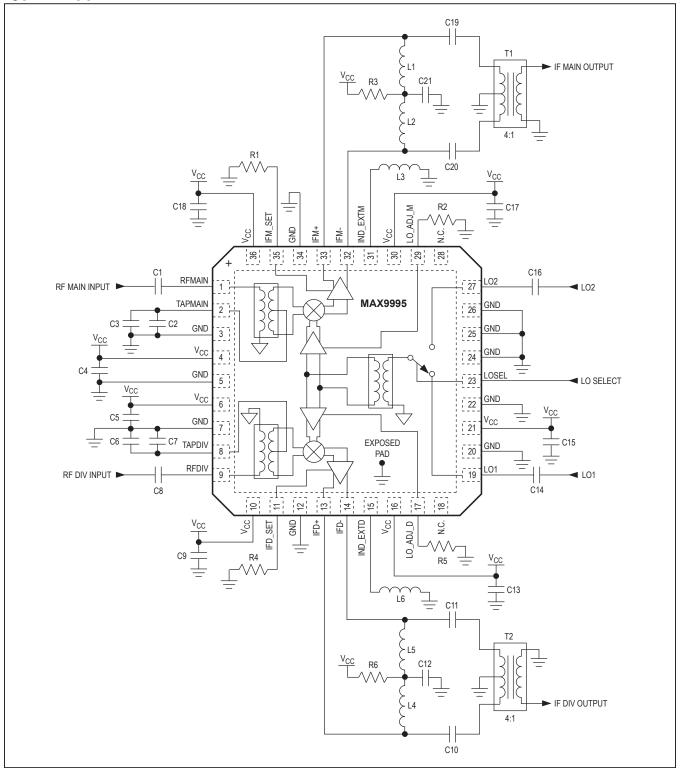
### **Package Information**

For the latest package outline information and land patterns (footprints), go to <u>www.maximintegrated.com/packages</u>. 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 |         |                | LAND<br>PATTERN NO. |  |
|-----------------|---------|----------------|---------------------|--|
| 36 TQFN-EP      | T3666+2 | <u>21-0141</u> | <u>90-0049</u>      |  |

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## **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 <i>Electrical Characteristic</i> table and <i>Ordering Information</i> ; updated <i>Package Thermal Characteristics</i> | 1, 2, 3          |
| 3                  | 1/21             | Updated the Package Information table.  | 11               |



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