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## General Description

The MAX9995 dual, high-linearity, downconversion mixer provides 6.1 dB gain, +25.6 dBm IIP3, and 9.8 dB NF for UMTS/WCDMA, DCS, and PCS base-station applications. The MAX9995 is ideal for low-side LO injection. (For a mixer variant optimized for high-side LO injection, contact the factory.)
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 thin QFN package ( $6 \mathrm{~mm} \times 6 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) with an exposed paddle. Electrical performance is guaranteed over the extended temperature range, from $\mathrm{T} \mathrm{C}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

## Applications

UMTS/WCDMA and cdma2000® 3G Base Stations

DCS1800 and EDGE Base Stations
PCS1900 and EDGE Base Stations

PHS/PAS Base Stations
Fixed Broadband
Wireless Access
Wireless Local Loop
Private Mobile Radio
Military Systems


## Ordering Information



| PART | TEMP RANGE | PIN-PACKAGE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MAX9995ETX | $\mathrm{T}^{* *}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 36 Thin QFN-EP* |
| MAX9995ETX-T | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 36 Thin QFN-EP* |
| MAX9995ETX+D | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 36 Thin QFN-EP* <br> lead free, bulk |
| MAX9995ETX+TD | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 36 Thin QFN-EP* <br> lead free, T/R |

${ }^{*} E P=$ Exposed pad.
${ }^{* *} T_{C}=$ Case temperature
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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Vcc..
….........................................-0.3V to +5.5 V
LO1, LO2 to GND ......................................................... $\pm 0.3 \mathrm{~V}$
IFM_, IFD_, IFM_SET, IFD_SET, LOSEL,
LO_ADJ_M, LO_ADJ_D to GND............-0.3V to (VCC +0.3 V ) RFMAIN, RFDIV, and LO_ Input Power .........................20dBm RFMAIN, RFDIV Current (RF is DC shorted to GND through balun) $\qquad$

Continuous Power Dissipation ( $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) 36 -Lead Thin QFN (derate $26 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
$\qquad$
${\text { OJA ................................................................................ } 38^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}}^{\text {. }}$
${\text { OJC ................................................................................ }+7.4^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W} ~}_{\text {W }}$
Operating Temperature Range (Note A) .... T $\mathrm{C}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Maximum Junction Temperature Range.......................... $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Storage Temperature Range ............................. $65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) ................................. $+300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

Note A: TC is the temperature on the exposed paddle of the package.
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.

## DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(Typical Application Circuit, no input RF or LO signals applied, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=4.75 \mathrm{~V}$ to $5.25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{TC}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ 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 | IcC | Total supply current |  | 332 | 380 | mA |
|  |  | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {CC }}($ pin 16) |  | 82 | 90 |  |
|  |  | VCC ( 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 | $I_{\text {IL }}$ and $\mathrm{IIH}^{\text {H }}$ |  | -10 |  | +10 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |

## AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(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, PLO $=-3 \mathrm{dBm}$ to +3 dBm , $\mathrm{fRF}=$ 1700 MHz to 2200 MHz , fLO $=1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to $2000 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{fIF}}=200 \mathrm{MHz}$, with fRF $>\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}, \mathrm{TC}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Typical values are at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=$ $5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{PLO}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{fRF}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{fLO}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{fIF}=200 \mathrm{MHz}$, and $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 1, 2)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RF Frequency | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}$ | (Note 7) | 1700 |  | 2200 | MHz |
| LO Frequency | flo | (Note 7) | 1400 |  | 2000 | MHz |
|  |  | (Contact factory) (Note 7) | 1900 |  | 2400 | MHz |
| IF Frequency | fiF | Meeting RF and LO frequency ranges; IF matching components affect the IF frequency range (Note 7) | 40 |  | 350 | MHz |
| Conversion Gain | Gc | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1710 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1875 MHz |  | 6 |  | dB |
|  |  | $\mathrm{fRF}=1850 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1910 MHz |  | 6.2 |  |  |
|  |  | $\mathrm{fRF}=2110 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2170 MHz |  | 6.1 |  |  |

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## AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

(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, $\mathrm{PLO}=-3 \mathrm{dBm}$ to +3 dBm , $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=$ 1700 MHz to $2200 \mathrm{MHz}, f_{L O}=1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to $2000 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{IF}}=200 \mathrm{MHz}$, with $f_{R F}>\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Typical values are at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=$ 5.0V, $\mathrm{PLO}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{fLO}_{\mathrm{LO}}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{IF}}=200 \mathrm{MHz}$, and $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{C}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Notes 1, 2)

| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS |  |  | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gain Variation from Nominal |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \\ & \mathrm{TC}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, \\ & \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{LO}}=0 \mathrm{dBm}, \\ & \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-10 \mathrm{dBm} \\ & \text { (Note 3) } \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1710 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 1875 MHz |  |  | $\pm 0.5$ | $\pm 1$ | dB |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{fRF}^{\text {a }}=1850 \mathrm{MHz}$ 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 |
|  |  |  | $\mathrm{fRF}^{\text {a }}$ = 1850 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 $2000 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{fLO}=1710 \mathrm{MHz}$, PLO $=-3 \mathrm{dBm}$ |  |  | 22 |  |  | dB |
| Input 1dB Compression Point | $\mathrm{P}_{1 \mathrm{~dB}}$ | (Note 3) |  |  | 9.5 | 12.6 |  | dBm |
| Input Third-Order Intercept Point | IIP3 | (Notes 3, 4) |  |  | 23 | 25.6 |  | dBm |
| 2RF-2LO Spur Rejection | $2 \times 2$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{fRF}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \\ & \mathrm{fLO}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}, \\ & \text { fSPUR }=1800 \mathrm{MHz} \text { ( } \text { Note 3) } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | PRF $=-10 \mathrm{dBm}$ |  | 66 |  | dBc |
|  |  |  |  | PRF $=-5 \mathrm{dBm}$ |  | 61 |  |  |
| 3RF-3LO Spur Rejection | $3 \times 3$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{RF}}=1900 \mathrm{MHz}, \\ & \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{LO}}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}, \\ & \text { fSPUR }=1766.7 \mathrm{MHz}(\text { Note } 3) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{RF}}=-10 \mathrm{dBm}$ | 70 | 88 |  | dBc |
|  |  |  |  | $P_{\text {RF }}=-5 \mathrm{dBm}$ | 60 | 78 |  |  |
| Maximum LO Leakage at RF Port |  | $\mathrm{fLO}=1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2000 MHz |  |  |  | -29 |  | dBm |
| Maximum 2LO Leakage at RF Port |  | $\mathrm{fLO}=1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2000MHz |  |  |  | -17 |  | dBm |
| Maximum LO Leakage at IF Port |  | $\mathrm{fLO}^{\text {a }} 1400 \mathrm{MHz}$ to 2000 MHz |  |  |  | -25 |  | dBm |
| Minimum RF to IF Isolation |  | $\mathrm{ffF}=1700 \mathrm{MHz}$ to $2200 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{IF}}=200 \mathrm{MHz}$ |  |  |  | 37 |  | dB |
| LO1-LO2 Isolation |  | PLO1 $=0 \mathrm{dBm}$, PLO2 $=0 \mathrm{dBm}$ ( Note 5) |  |  | 40 | 50.5 |  | dB |
| Minimum Channel-to-Channel Isolation |  | PRF $=-10 \mathrm{dBm}$, RFMAIN (RFDIV) power measured at IFDIV (IFMAIN), relative to IFMAIN (IFDIV), all unused parts terminated at $50 \Omega$ |  |  | 40 | 44 |  | dB |
| LO Switching Time |  | $50 \%$ of LOSEL to IF settled to within $2^{\circ}$ |  |  |  | 50 |  | ns |
| RF Return Loss |  |  |  |  |  | 14 |  | dB |
| LO Return Loss |  | LO port selected |  |  |  | 18 |  | dB |
|  |  | LO port unselected |  |  |  | 21 |  |  |
| IF Return Loss |  | LO driven at 0 | , RF termin | ed into $50 \Omega$ |  | 21 |  | dB |

Note 1: Guaranteed by design and characterization.
Note 2: All limits reflect losses of external components. Output measurements taken at IF outputs of Typical Application Circuit.
Note 3: Production tested.
Note 4: Two tones 3 MHz spacing, -5 dBm per tone at RF port.
Note 5: Measured at IF port at IF frequency. flO1 and flO2 are offset by 1 MHz .
Note 6: IF return loss can be optimized by external matching components.
Note 7: Operation outside this frequency band is possible but has not been characterized. See the Typical Operating Characteristics.

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










2RF-2LO vs. FUNDAMENTAL FREQUENCY


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## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

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


INPUT P1dB vs. RF FREQUENCY



3RF - 3LO vs. FUNDAMENTAL FREQUENCY


INPUT $P_{1 d B}$ vs. RF FREQUENCY


0 SWITCH ISOLATION vs. LO FREQUENCY




LO SWITCH ISOLATION vs. LO FREQUENCY


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





LO LEAKAGE AT IF PORT vs. LO FREQUENCY


LO LEAKAGE AT RF PORT vs. LO FREQuENCY


CHANNEL ISOLATION vs. RF FREQUENCY


LO LEAKAGE AT IF PORT vs. LO FREQUENCY


LO LEAKAGE AT RF PORT vs. LO FREQUENCY


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



RF RETURN LOSS vs. RF FREQUENCY




IF RETURN LOSS vs. IF FREQUENCY


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## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

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


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 $0.033 \mu$ F capacitor from this pin to the board ground. |
| $3,5,7,12,20,22$, <br> $24,25,26,34$ | GND | Ground |
| $4,6,10,16,21,30$, <br> 36 | VCC | Power Supply. Connect bypass capacitors as close to the pin as possible (see the Typical <br> Application Circuit). |
| 8 | TAPDIV | Diversity Channel Balun Center Tap. Connect a 0.033 $\mu$ 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 <br> 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 VCC <br> (see the Typical Application Circuit). |
| 17 | IND_EXTD | Connect a 10nH inductor from this pin to ground to increase the RF-IF and LO-IF isolation. |
| 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 <br> capacitor. |
| 23 | LOSEL | Local Oscillator Select. Set this pin to high to select LO1. Set to low to select LO2. <br> bias current for the difier Bias Control. Connect a 392 $\Omega$ resistor from this pin to ground to set the |

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Pin Description (continued)

| PIN | NAME | DESCRIPTION |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 27 | LO2 | Local Oscillator 2 Input. This input is internally matched to $50 \Omega$. Requires an input DC-blocking <br> capacitor. |
| 29 | LO_ADJ_M | LO Main Amplifier Bias Control. Connect a $392 \Omega$ resistor from this pin to ground to set the bias <br> 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 VCC <br> (see the Typical Application Circuit). |
| 35 | IFM_SET | IF Main Amplifier Bias Control. Connect a 1.2k $\Omega$ resistor from this pin to ground to set the bias <br> current for the main IF amplifier. |
| Exposed Paddle | GND | Exposed Ground Plane. This paddle affects RF performance and provides heat dissipation. The <br> paddle must be connected to ground. |

## 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 50dB LO-to-LO isolation. Furthermore, the

## Table 1. Component Values

| COMPONENT | VALUE | DESCRIPTION |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| C1, C8 | $4 p F$ | 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 |

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 UMTS/WCDMA and 2G/2.5G/3G DCS1800, PCS1900, and cdma2000 base stations. The MAX9995 is specified to operate over an RF input range of 1700 MHz to 2200 MHz , an LO range of 1400 MHz to 2000 MHz , and an IF range of 40 MHz to 350 MHz . Operation beyond this is possible; however, performance is not characterized. This device can operate in high-side LO injection applications with an extended LO range, but performance degrades as flo continues to increase. For a device with better highside performance, contact the factory. This device is available in a compact $6 \mathrm{~mm} \times 6 \mathrm{~mm}, 36$-pin thin QFN package with an exposed paddle.

## 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 2200 MHz .

## LO Input, Switch, Buffer, and Balun

The mixers can be used for either high-side or low-side injection applications with an LO frequency range of 1400 MHz to 2000 MHz . For a device with an LO frequency range of 1900 MHz to 2400 MHz , contact the factory. As an added feature, the MAX9995 includes an

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 Typical Application Circuit

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internal LO SPDT switch that can be used for frequen-cy-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-2LO 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 $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{C}}$. 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 $50 \Omega$ singleended output. After the balun, VSWR is typically 1.5:1.
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## 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 2200 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 $50 \Omega$ singleended 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 factory. If the $\pm 1 \%$ bias resistor values are not readily available, substitute standard $\pm 5 \%$ values.

## Layout Considerations

A properly designed PC board 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 PC board exposed pad MUST be connected to the ground plane of the PC board. It is suggested that multiple vias be used to connect this pad to the lower-level ground planes. This method provides a good RF/ther-mal-conduction path for the device. Solder the exposed pad on the bottom of the device package to the PC board. The MAX9995 Evaluation Kit can be used as a reference for board layout. Gerber files are available upon request at www.maxim-ic.com.

## Power-Supply Bypassing

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

## Exposed Pad RF/Thermal Considerations

 The exposed paddle (EP) of the MAX9995's 36-pin thin QFN-EP package provides a low thermal-resistance path to the die. It is important that the PC board 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 PC board, either directly or through an array of plated via holes.
## Chip Information

TRANSISTOR COUNT: 1414
PROCESS: SiGe BiCMOS

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## Package Information

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| COMMON DIMENSIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | EXPOSED PAD VARIATIONS |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { DOWN } \\ \text { BONDS } \\ \text { AЦOWED } \end{gathered}$ |  |
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| PKG. | 36L 6x6 |  |  | 40L 6x6 |  |  | 48L 6x6 |  |  | PKG. CODES | D2 |  |  | E2 |  |  |  |  |
| SYMBOL | MNN. | NOM. | MAX. | MN. | NOM. | Mux. | M M N. | NOM. | MAX. |  | MIN. | NOM. | MAX. | MN. | NOM. | MAX. |  |  |
| A | 0.70 | 0.75 | 0.80 | 0.70 | 0.75 | 0.80 | 0.70 | 0.75 | 0.80 | T3666-1 | 3.60 | 3.70 | 3.80 | 3.60 | 3.70 | 3.80 | NO |  |
| AI | 0 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0 | 0.02 | 0.05 | 0 | - | 0.05 | T3666-2 | 3.60 | 3.70 | 3.80 | 3.60 | 3.70 | 3.80 | YES |  |
| A2 |  | . 20 REF |  |  | 20 REF |  |  | 20 REF |  | T3666-3 | 3.60 | 3.70 | 3.80 | 3.60 | 3.70 | 3.80 | NO |  |
| $b$ | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.30 | 0.20 | 0.25 | 0.30 | 0.15 | 0.20 | 0.25 | T4066-1 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | NO |  |
| B | 5.90 | B.00 | 6.10 | 5.90 | 6.00 | 6.10 | 5.90 | 6.00 | 6.10 | T4066-2 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | YES |  |
| E | 5.90 | 6.00 | 6.10 | 5.90 | 6.00 | 6.10 | 5.90 | 6.00 | 6.10 | T4066-3 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | YES |  |
| e |  | 50 BSC |  |  | 50 BSC |  |  | 40 BSC |  | T4066-4 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | NO |  |
| k | 0.25 | - | - | 0.25 | - | - | 0.25 | 0.35 | 0.45 | T4066-5 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | 4.00 | 4.10 | 4.20 | NO |  |
| L | 0.45 | 0.55 | D. 65 | 0.30 | 0.40 | 0.50 | 0.40 | 0.50 | 0.60 | T4866-1 | 4.20 | 4.30 | 4.40 | 4.20 | 4.30 | 4.40 | YES |  |
| LI | - | - | - | - | - | - | 0.30 | 0.40 | 0.50 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| N |  | 36 |  |  | 40 |  |  | 48 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ND |  | 9 |  |  | 10 |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NE |  | 9 |  |  | 10 |  |  | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| JEDEC |  | UWJD-1 |  |  | WhD-2 |  |  | - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NOTES: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. DIMENSIONING \& TOLERANCING CONFORM TO ASME Y14.5M-1994. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS. ANGLES ARE IN DEGREES. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. N IS THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TERMINALS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4. THE TERMINAL \#1 IDENTIFIER AND TERMINAL NUMBERING CONVENTION SHALL CONFORM TO JESD 95-1 SPP-012. DETAILS OF TERMINAL \#1 IDENTIFIER ARE OPTIONAL, BUT MUST BE LOCATED WITHIN THE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5. DIMENSION b APPLIES TO METALLIZED TERMINAL AND IS MEASURED BETWEEN 0.25 mm AND 0.30 mm FROM TERMINAL TIP. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7. DEPOPULATION IS POSSIBLE IN A SYMMETRICAL FASHION. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8. COPLANARITY APPLIES TO THE EXPOSED HEAT SINK SLUG AS WELL AS THE TERMINALS. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10. WARPAGE SHALL NOT EXCEED 0.10 mm . |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Thim PACKAGE OUTLINE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Anmome |  |  | $2$ | $1-014$ |  | E | 2/2 |

