



# 400MHz to 2.5GHz Upconverter Mixers

## General Description

The MAX2660/MAX2661/MAX2663/MAX2671/MAX2673 miniature, low-cost, low-noise upconverter mixers are designed for low-voltage operation and are ideal for use in portable consumer equipment. Signals at the IF input port are mixed with signals at the local oscillator (LO) port using a double-balanced mixer. These upconverter mixers operate with IF input frequencies between 40MHz and 500MHz, and upconvert to output frequencies as high as 2.5GHz.

These devices offer a wide range of supply currents and output intercept levels to optimize system performance. Supply current is essentially constant over the specified supply voltage range. Additionally, when the devices are in a typical configuration with  $V_{SHDN} = 0$ , a shutdown mode reduces the supply current to less than 1µA.

The MAX2660/MAX2661/MAX2663/MAX2671 are offered in the space-saving 6-pin SOT23 package. For applications requiring balanced IF ports, choose the MAX2673 in the 8-pin µMAX package.

## Applications

400MHz/900MHz/2.4GHz ISM  
Hand-Held Radios  
Wireless Local Area Networks (WLANs)  
IEEE 802.11 and Wireless Data  
Personal Communications Systems (PCS)  
Cellular and Cordless Phones

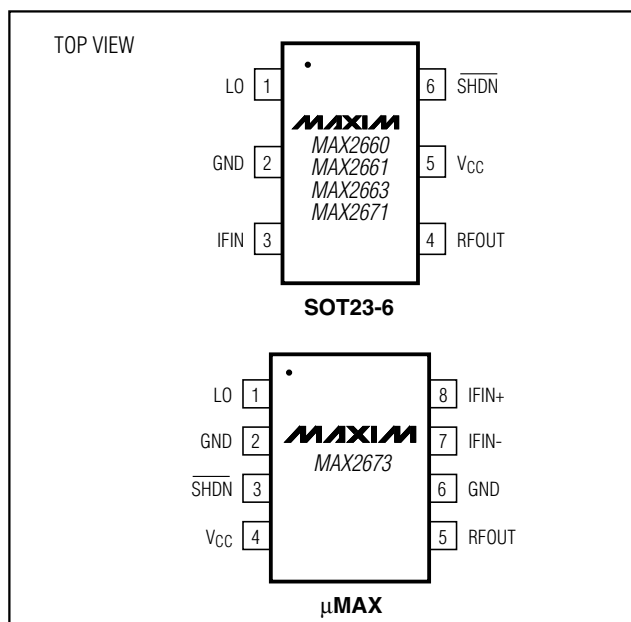
## Ordering Information

| PART         | TEMP. RANGE    | PIN-PACKAGE | TOP MARK |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|----------|
| MAX2660EUT-T | -40°C to +85°C | 6 SOT23-6   | AAAF     |
| MAX2661EUT-T | -40°C to +85°C | 6 SOT23-6   | AAAG     |
| MAX2663EUT-T | -40°C to +85°C | 6 SOT23-6   | AAAL     |
| MAX2671EUT-T | -40°C to +85°C | 6 SOT23-6   | AAAJ     |
| MAX2673EUA   | -40°C to +85°C | 8 µMAX      | —        |

## Features

- ♦ RF Output Frequencies: 400MHz to 2.5GHz
- ♦ Low Noise Figure: 9.3dB (900MHz, MAX2671)
- ♦ +2.7V to +5.5V Single Supply
- ♦ High Output Intercept Point (OIP3)
  - 5.9dBm at 4.8mA (MAX2660)
  - 7.1dBm at 8.3mA (MAX2661)
  - 0.7dBm at 3.0mA (MAX2663)
  - 9.6dBm at 11.8mA (MAX2671)
  - 7.6dBm at 20.5mA (MAX2673)
- ♦ 1µA Shutdown Mode
- ♦ Ultra-Small Surface-Mount Packaging

## Pin Configurations



Typical Operating Circuits and Functional Diagram appear at end of data sheet.

## Selector Guide

| PART    | I <sub>CC</sub> (mA) | OUTPUT IP3 (dBm) AT 900MHz | GAIN (dB) AT 2450MHz | LO BUFFER | SINGLE-ENDED OR DIFFERENTIAL IF | PACKAGE |
|---------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|---------|
| MAX2660 | 4.8                  | 5.9                        | 4.6                  | No        | Single Ended                    | 6 SOT23 |
| MAX2661 | 8.3                  | 7.1                        | 8.2                  | No        | Single Ended                    | 6 SOT23 |
| MAX2663 | 3.0                  | 0.7                        | 1.4                  | No        | Single Ended                    | 6 SOT23 |
| MAX2671 | 11.8                 | 9.6                        | 8.9                  | Yes       | Single Ended                    | 6 SOT23 |
| MAX2673 | 20.5                 | 7.6                        | 8.6                  | Yes       | Differential                    | 8 µMAX  |



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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

V<sub>CC</sub> to GND .....-0.3V to +6.0V  
 IFIN\_ Input Power (50Ω source) .....+10dBm  
 LO Input Power (50Ω source) .....+10dBm  
 SHDN, RFOUT, IFIN\_, LO to GND.....-0.3V to (V<sub>CC</sub> + 0.3V)  
 Continuous Power Dissipation (T<sub>A</sub> = +70°C)  
   8-Pin μMAX (derate 4.1mW/°C above +70°C) .....330mW  
   6-Pin SOT23-6 (derate 8.7mW/°C above +70°C) .....696mW

Operating Temperature Range .....-40°C to +85°C  
 Junction Temperature .....+150°C  
 Storage Temperature Range .....-65°C to +160°C  
 Lead Temperature (soldering, 10sec) .....+300°C

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

(V<sub>CC</sub> = +2.7V to +5.5V, SHDN = +2V, T<sub>A</sub> = -40°C to +85°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at V<sub>CC</sub> = SHDN = +3.0V, T<sub>A</sub> = +25°C. Minimum and maximum values are guaranteed over temperature by design and characterization.)

| PARAMETER                                              | SYMBOL          | CONDITIONS                                  | MIN | TYP  | MAX             | UNITS |
|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------|-----|------|-----------------|-------|
| Operating Supply Current<br>(LO and IFIN_ Unconnected) | I <sub>CC</sub> | MAX2660                                     |     | 4.8  | 6.6             | mA    |
|                                                        |                 | MAX2661                                     |     | 8.3  | 11.3            |       |
|                                                        |                 | MAX2663                                     |     | 3.0  | 4.1             |       |
|                                                        |                 | MAX2671                                     |     | 11.8 | 16.6            |       |
|                                                        |                 | MAX2673                                     |     | 20.5 | 26.8            |       |
| Shutdown Supply Current                                | I <sub>CC</sub> | SHDN = GND, MAX2660                         |     | 0.1  |                 | μA    |
|                                                        |                 | SHDN = GND, MAX2661                         |     | 0.2  |                 |       |
|                                                        |                 | SHDN = GND, MAX2663                         |     | 0.1  |                 |       |
|                                                        |                 | SHDN = GND, MAX2671                         |     | 0.2  |                 |       |
|                                                        |                 | SHDN = GND, MAX2673                         |     | 0.8  |                 |       |
|                                                        |                 | SHDN = 0.5V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 2.7V to 3.6V |     |      | 5               |       |
|                                                        |                 | SHDN = 0.5V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 3.6V to 5.5V |     |      | 15              |       |
| Shutdown Input Voltage High                            | V <sub>IH</sub> |                                             | 2   |      | V <sub>CC</sub> | V     |
| Shutdown Input Voltage Low                             | V <sub>IL</sub> |                                             | 0   |      | 0.5             | V     |
| Shutdown Input Bias Current                            | I <sub>IN</sub> |                                             | -5  | 0.2  | 5               | μA    |

## AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(V<sub>CC</sub> = SHDN = +3.0V, T<sub>A</sub> = +25°C, unless otherwise noted. Minimum and maximum values are guaranteed by design and characterization.)

| PARAMETER                                                                                 | CONDITIONS                                                                                                     | MIN | TYP  | MAX  | UNITS |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|------|------|-------|
| <b>MAX2660</b> (P <sub>LO</sub> = -5dBm, P <sub>IFIN</sub> = -30dBm, Circuit of Figure 1) |                                                                                                                |     |      |      |       |
| Conversion Gain                                                                           | f <sub>IF</sub> = 45MHz, f <sub>LO</sub> = 445MHz, f <sub>RF</sub> = 400MHz                                    |     | 7.0  |      | dB    |
|                                                                                           | f <sub>IF</sub> = 70MHz, f <sub>LO</sub> = 970MHz, f <sub>RF</sub> = 900MHz                                    |     | 7.0  |      |       |
|                                                                                           | f <sub>IF</sub> = 70MHz, f <sub>LO</sub> = 1830MHz, f <sub>RF</sub> = 1900MHz                                  | 3.9 | 5.9  | 8.1  |       |
|                                                                                           | f <sub>IF</sub> = 240MHz, f <sub>LO</sub> = 2210MHz, f <sub>RF</sub> = 2450MHz                                 |     | 4.6  |      |       |
| Gain Variation Over Temperature                                                           | f <sub>IF</sub> = 70MHz, f <sub>LO</sub> = 1830MHz, f <sub>RF</sub> = 1900MHz, T <sub>A</sub> = -40°C to +85°C |     | ±1.2 | ±1.6 | dB    |
| Output Third-Order Intercept                                                              | f <sub>IF</sub> = 70MHz, f <sub>LO</sub> = 970MHz, f <sub>RF</sub> = 900MHz                                    |     | 5.9  |      | dBm   |
|                                                                                           | f <sub>IF</sub> = 70MHz, f <sub>LO</sub> = 1830MHz, f <sub>RF</sub> = 1900MHz                                  |     | 5.7  |      |       |
|                                                                                           | f <sub>IF</sub> = 240MHz, f <sub>LO</sub> = 2210MHz, f <sub>RF</sub> = 2450MHz                                 |     | 4.1  |      |       |

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( $V_{CC} = \overline{SHDN} = +3.0V$ ,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise noted. Minimum and maximum values are guaranteed by design and characterization.)

| PARAMETER                                                                                  | CONDITIONS                                                                                        | MIN | TYP       | MAX       | UNITS   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----------|---------|
| <b>MAX2660</b> ( $P_{LO} = -5dBm$ , $P_{IFIN} = -30dBm$ , Circuit of Figure 1) (continued) |                                                                                                   |     |           |           |         |
| Output 1dB Compression Point                                                               | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |     | -8.4      |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |     | -10.8     |           |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |     | -11.4     |           |         |
| Noise Figure (Single Sideband)                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                         |     | 9.9       |           | dB      |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |     | 11.8      |           |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 350MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2100MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |     | 11.9      |           |         |
| LO Emission from RF Port                                                                   | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |     | -22.0     |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |     | -20.7     |           |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |     | -22.5     |           |         |
| Maximum LO Input VSWR                                                                      | $f = 600MHz$ to $2500MHz$ , $50\Omega$ source impedance                                           |     | 2.2       |           |         |
| Maximum Output Spurious Emissions                                                          | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ (Note 1)                               |     | -70       |           | dBm     |
| Turn-On Time                                                                               | (Note 2)                                                                                          |     | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |
| Turn-Off Time                                                                              | From $\overline{SHDN}$ low to $I_{CC} < 100\mu A$                                                 |     | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |
| <b>MAX2661</b> ( $P_{LO} = -5dBm$ , $P_{IFIN} = -30dBm$ , Circuit of Figure 1)             |                                                                                                   |     |           |           |         |
| Conversion Gain                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 45MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 445MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 400MHz$                                          |     | 10.2      |           | dB      |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |     | 10.7      |           |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        | 7.0 | 8.5       | 10.2      |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |     | 8.2       |           |         |
| Gain Variation Over Temperature                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ , $T_A = -40^\circ C$ to $+85^\circ C$ |     | $\pm 1.2$ | $\pm 1.5$ | dB      |
| Output Third-Order Intercept                                                               | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |     | 7.1       |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |     | 6.0       |           |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |     | 7.3       |           |         |
| Output 1dB Compression Point                                                               | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |     | -6.0      |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |     | -7.2      |           |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |     | -6.2      |           |         |
| Noise Figure (Single Sideband)                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |     | 9.8       |           | dB      |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |     | 11.6      |           |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 350MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2100MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |     | 11.8      |           |         |
| LO Emission from RF Port                                                                   | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |     | -22.9     |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |     | -21.6     |           |         |
|                                                                                            | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |     | -23.5     |           |         |
| Maximum LO Input VSWR                                                                      | $f = 600MHz$ to $2500MHz$ , $50\Omega$ source impedance                                           |     | 2.2       |           |         |
| Maximum Output Spurious Emissions                                                          | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ (Note 1)                               |     | -57.3     |           | dBm     |
| Turn-On Time                                                                               | (Note 2)                                                                                          |     | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |
| Turn-Off Time                                                                              | From $\overline{SHDN}$ low to $I_{CC} < 100\mu A$                                                 |     | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |

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( $V_{CC} = \overline{SHDN} = +3.0V$ ,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise noted. Minimum and maximum values are guaranteed by design and characterization.)

| PARAMETER                                                                       | CONDITIONS                                                                                        | MIN  | TYP       | MAX       | UNITS   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| <b>MAX2663</b> ( $P_{LO} = -5dBm$ , $P_{IFIN} = -30dBm$ , Circuit of Figure 1)  |                                                                                                   |      |           |           |         |
| Conversion Gain                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 45MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 445MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 400MHz$                                          |      | 2.0       |           | dB      |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |      | 3.4       |           |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        | -0.1 | 2.1       | 4.2       |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |      | 1.4       |           |         |
| Gain Variation Over Temperature                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ , $T_A = -40^\circ C$ to $+85^\circ C$ |      | $\pm 1.1$ | $\pm 1.8$ | dB      |
| Output Third-Order Intercept                                                    | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |      | 0.7       |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |      | -1.4      |           |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |      | -2.8      |           |         |
| Output 1dB Compression Point                                                    | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |      | -12.3     |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |      | -13.3     |           |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |      | -14.3     |           |         |
| Noise Figure (Single Sideband)                                                  | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |      | 10.7      |           | dB      |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |      | 12.2      |           |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 350MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2100MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |      | 12.7      |           |         |
| LO Emission from RF Port                                                        | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |      | -22.7     |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |      | -21.0     |           |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |      | -21.6     |           |         |
| Maximum LO Input VSWR                                                           | $f = 600MHz$ to $2500MHz$ , $50\Omega$ source impedance                                           |      | 2.1       |           |         |
| Maximum Output Spurious Emissions                                               | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ (Note 1)                               |      | -67       |           | dBm     |
| Turn-On Time                                                                    | (Note 2)                                                                                          |      | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |
| Turn-Off Time                                                                   | From $\overline{SHDN}$ low to $I_{CC} < 100\mu A$                                                 |      | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |
| <b>MAX2671</b> ( $P_{LO} = -10dBm$ , $P_{IFIN} = -30dBm$ , Circuit of Figure 1) |                                                                                                   |      |           |           |         |
| Conversion Gain                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 45MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 445MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 400MHz$                                          |      | 10.0      |           | dB      |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |      | 11.2      |           |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        | 6.7  | 9.3       | 11.9      |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |      | 8.9       |           |         |
| Gain Variation Over Temperature                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ , $T_A = -40^\circ C$ to $+85^\circ C$ |      | $\pm 1.1$ | $\pm 1.3$ | dB      |
| Output Third-Order Intercept                                                    | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |      | 9.6       |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |      | 8.3       |           |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |      | 9.4       |           |         |
| Output 1dB Compression Point                                                    | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                          |      | -5.5      |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                        |      | -6.4      |           |         |
|                                                                                 | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                       |      | -6.0      |           |         |

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| PARAMETER                                                                                   | CONDITIONS                                                                                           | MIN | TYP       | MAX       | UNITS   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----------|-----------|---------|
| <b>MAX2671</b> ( $P_{LO} = -10dBm$ , $P_{IFIN} = -30dBm$ , Circuit of Figure 1) (continued) |                                                                                                      |     |           |           |         |
| Noise Figure<br>(Single Sideband)                                                           | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                             |     | 9.3       |           | dB      |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                           |     | 10.7      |           |         |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 350MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2100MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                          |     | 11.3      |           |         |
| LO Emission from RF Port                                                                    | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                             |     | -40.3     |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                           |     | -35.7     |           |         |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                          |     | -36.8     |           |         |
| Maximum LO Input VSWR                                                                       | $f = 600MHz$ to $2500MHz$ , $50\Omega$ source impedance                                              |     | 2.2       |           | dBm     |
| Maximum Output Spurious Emissions                                                           | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ (Note 1)                                  |     | -56       |           | dBm     |
| Turn-On Time                                                                                | (Note 2)                                                                                             |     | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |
| Turn-Off Time                                                                               | From $\overline{SHDN}$ low to $I_{CC} < 100\mu A$                                                    |     | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |
| <b>MAX2673</b> ( $P_{LO} = -10dBm$ , $P_{IFIN} = -30dBm$ , Circuit of Figure 2)             |                                                                                                      |     |           |           |         |
| Conversion Gain                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 45MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 445MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 400MHz$                                             |     | 12.6      |           | dB      |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                             |     | 12.3      |           |         |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                           | 7.8 | 9.2       | 10.6      |         |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                          |     | 8.6       |           |         |
| Gain Variation Over Temperature                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ ,<br>$T_A = -40^\circ C$ to $+85^\circ C$ |     | $\pm 1.0$ | $\pm 1.4$ | dB      |
| Output Third-Order Intercept                                                                | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                             |     | 7.6       |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                           |     | 5.9       |           |         |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                          |     | 4.5       |           |         |
| Output 1dB Compression Point                                                                | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                             |     | -2.1      |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                           |     | -5.9      |           |         |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                          |     | -8.3      |           |         |
| Noise Figure<br>(Single Sideband)                                                           | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                             |     | 9.7       |           | dB      |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                           |     | 10.1      |           |         |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 350MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2100MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                          |     | 10.4      |           |         |
| LO Emission from RF Port                                                                    | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 970MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 900MHz$                                             |     | -29.4     |           | dBm     |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$                                           |     | -27.9     |           |         |
|                                                                                             | $f_{IF} = 240MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 2210MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 2450MHz$                                          |     | -26.6     |           |         |
| Maximum LO Input VSWR                                                                       | $f = 600MHz$ to $2500MHz$ , $50\Omega$ source impedance                                              |     | 2.2       |           |         |
| Maximum Output Spurious Emissions                                                           | $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ , $f_{LO} = 1830MHz$ , $f_{RF} = 1900MHz$ (Note 1)                                  |     | -59.7     |           | dBm     |
| Turn-On Time                                                                                | (Note 2)                                                                                             |     | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |
| Turn-Off Time                                                                               | From $\overline{SHDN}$ low to $I_{CC} < 100\mu A$                                                    |     | 2         |           | $\mu s$ |

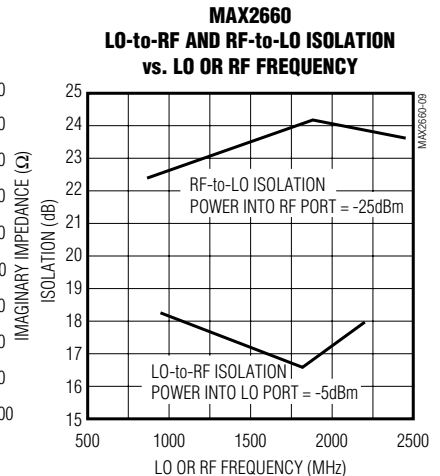
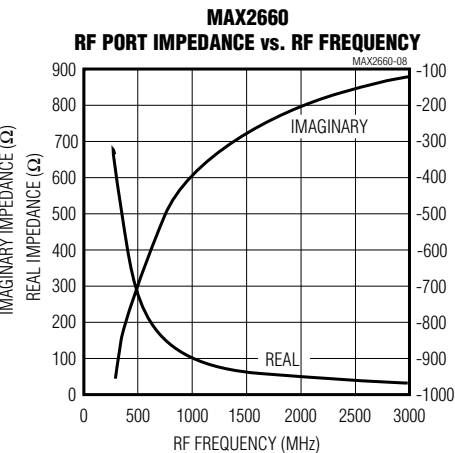
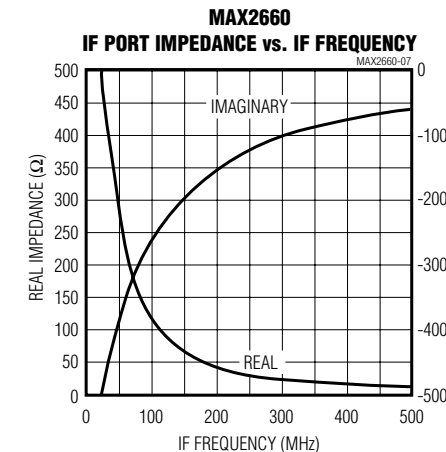
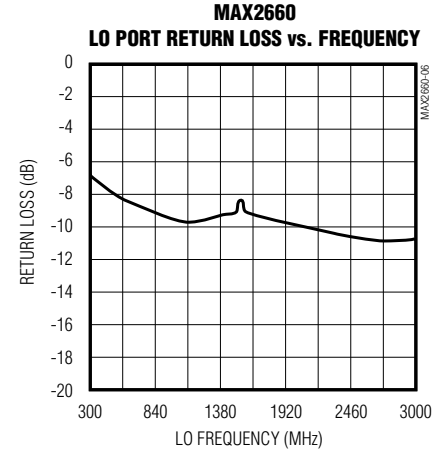
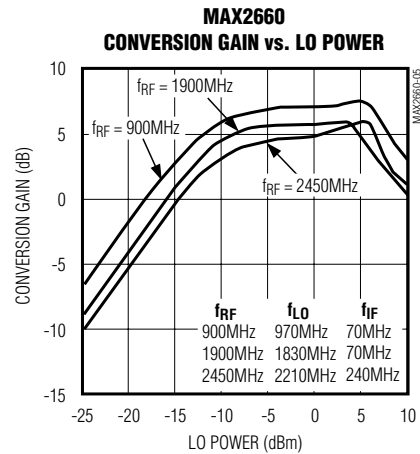
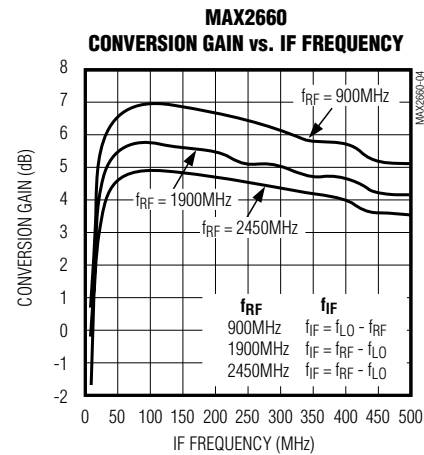
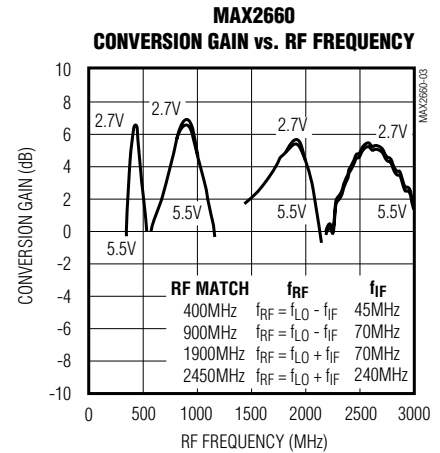
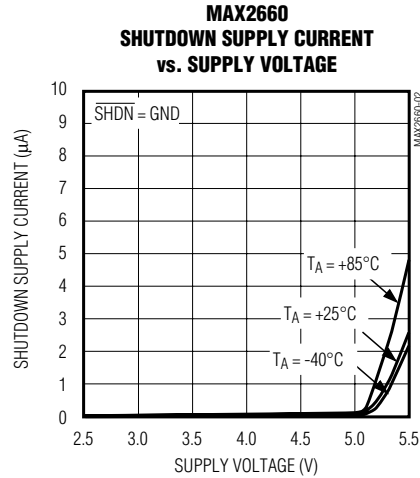
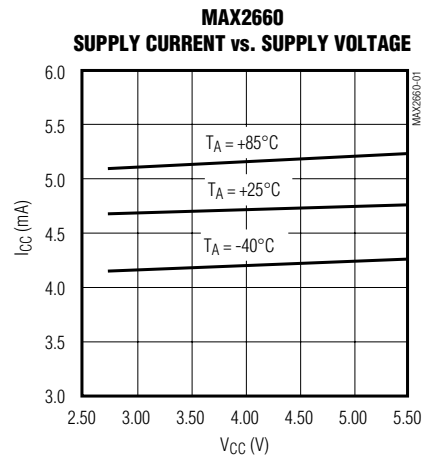
**Note 1:** Excluding LO harmonics and products of LO harmonics by first-order IF.

**Note 2:** From  $\overline{SHDN}$  high to output within 1dB of final output power,  $f_{RF} = 900MHz$ ,  $f_{IF} = 70MHz$ .

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## Typical Operating Characteristics

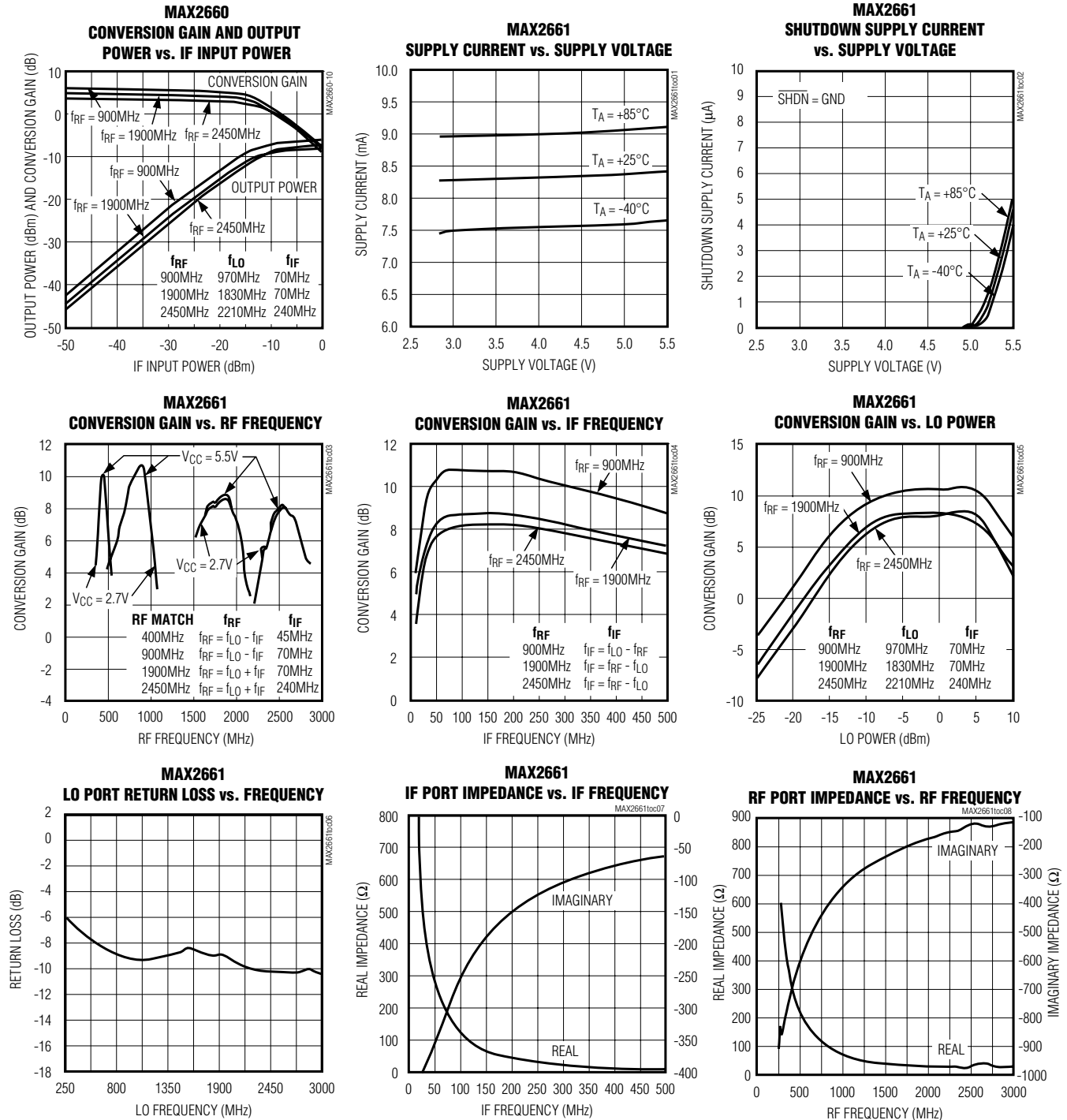
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## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

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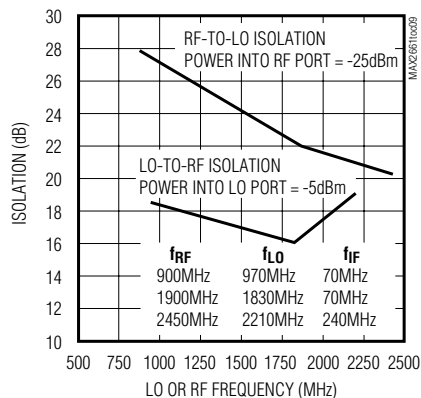
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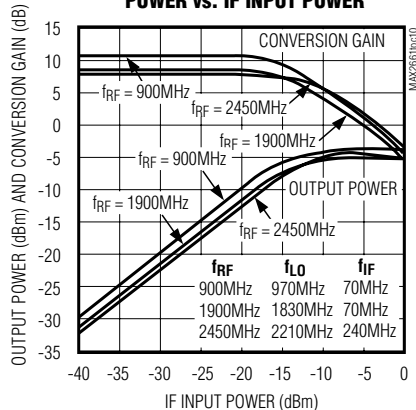
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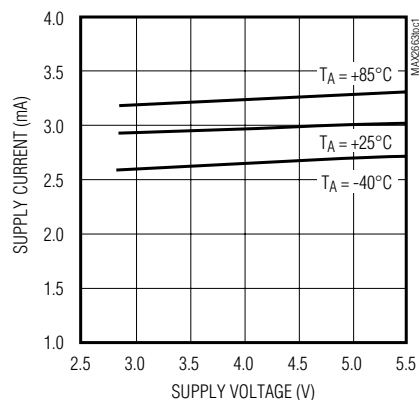
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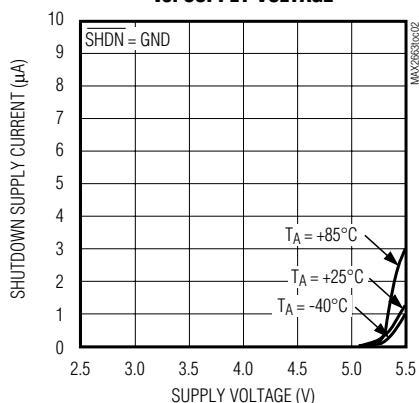
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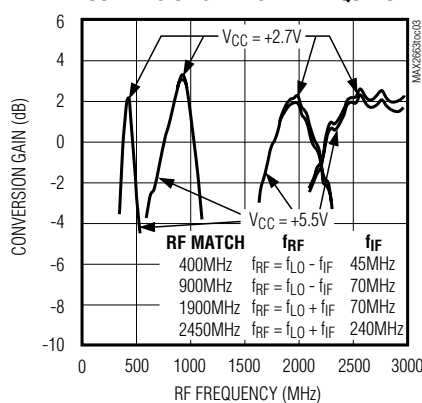
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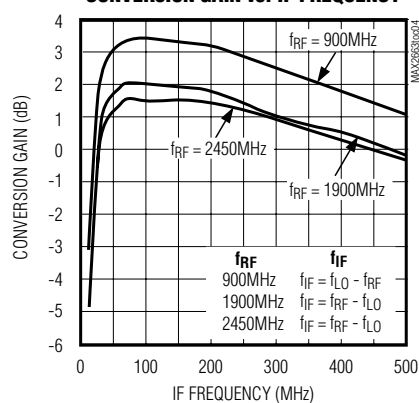
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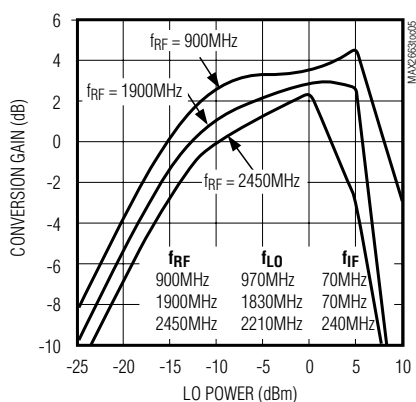
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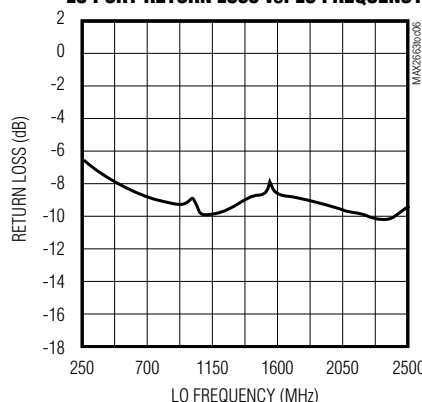
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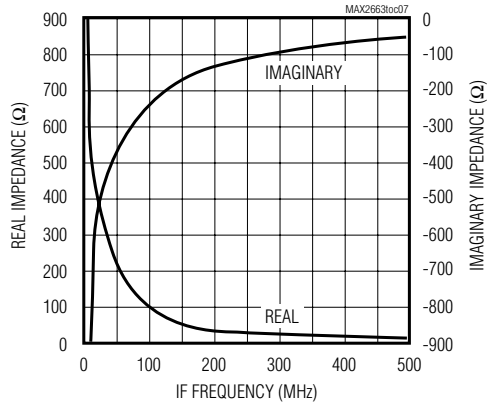
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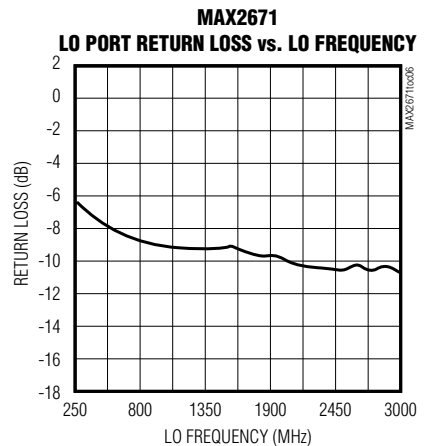
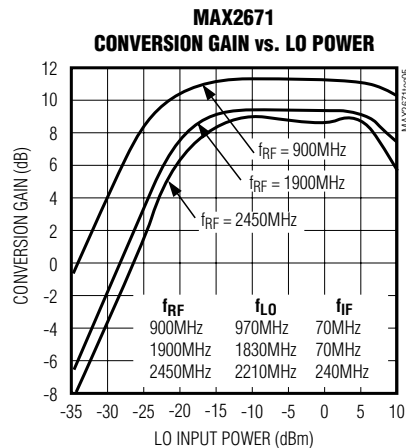
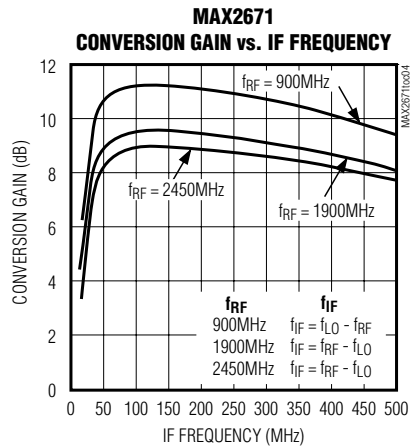
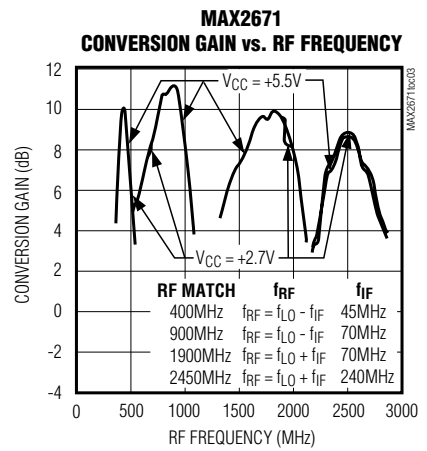
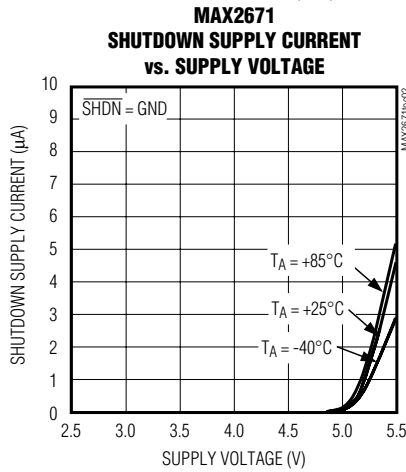
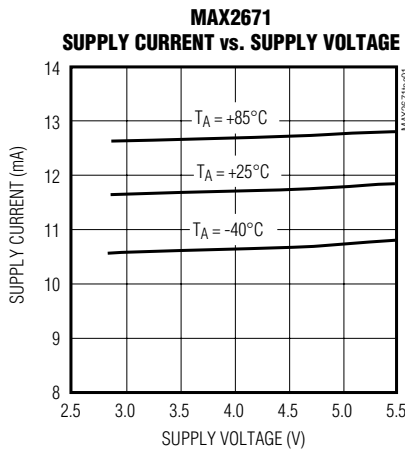
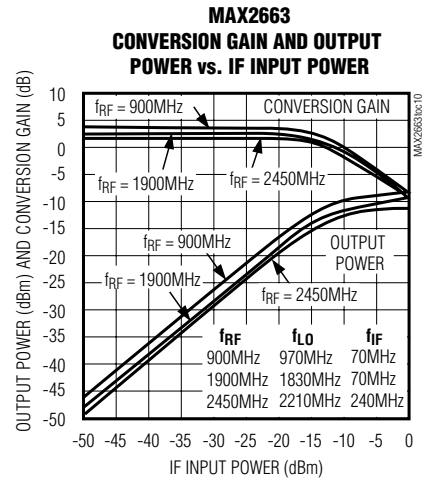
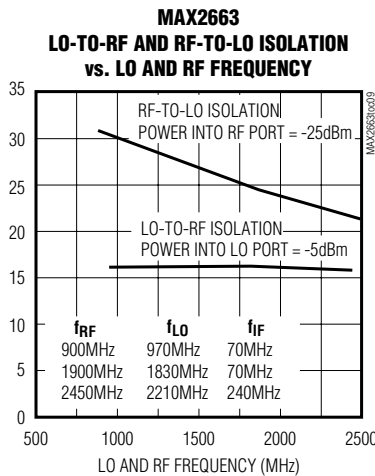
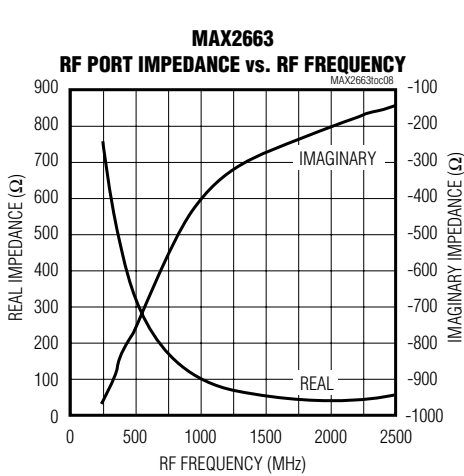




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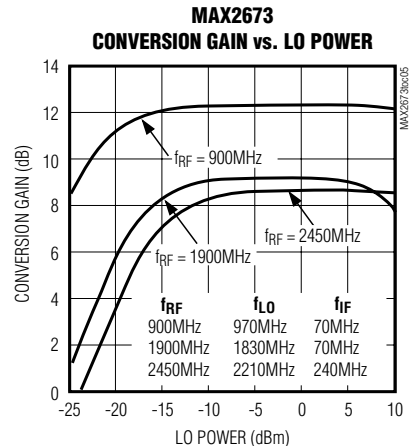
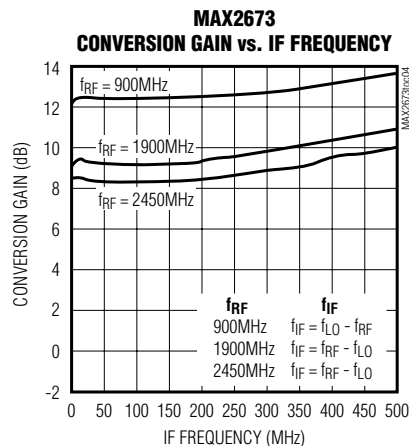
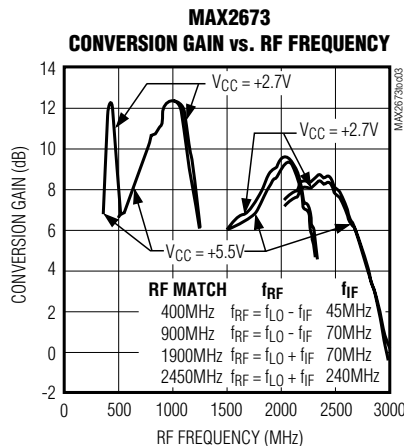
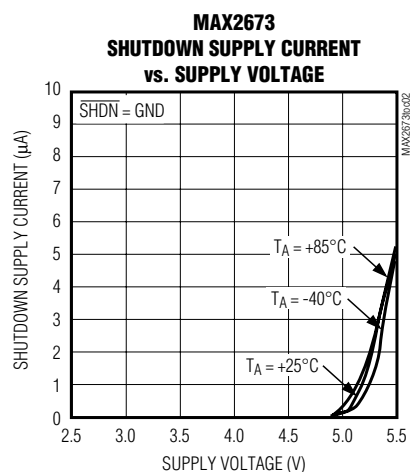
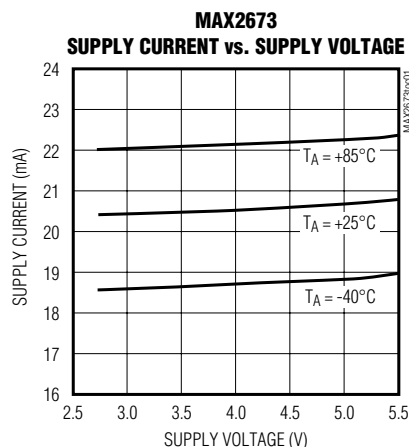
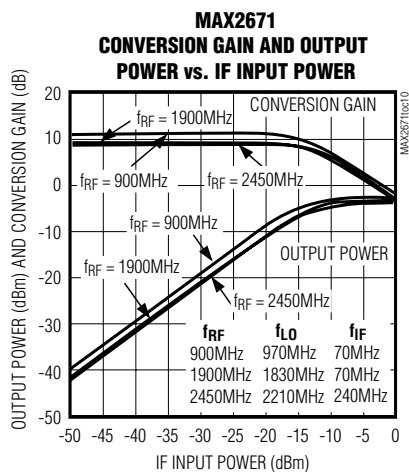
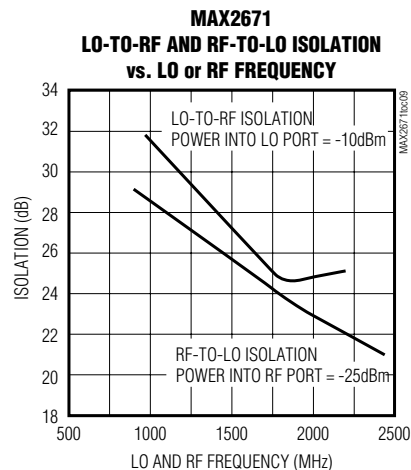
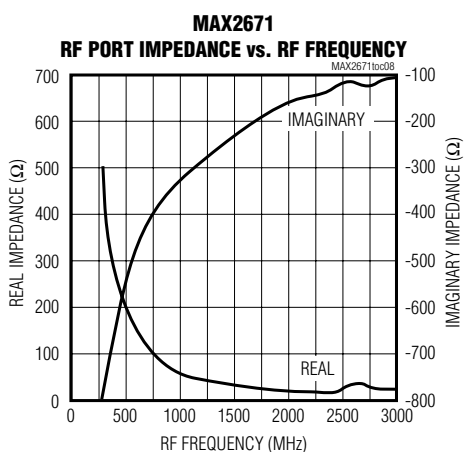
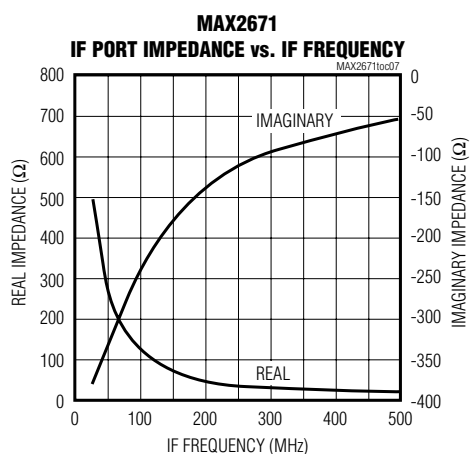
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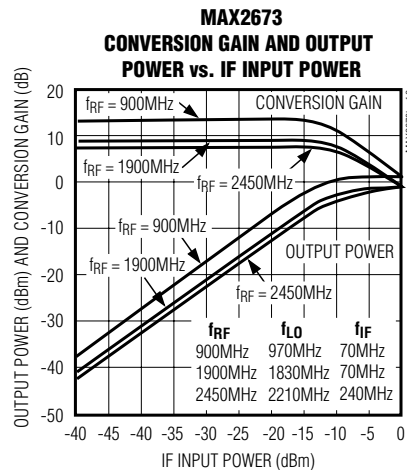
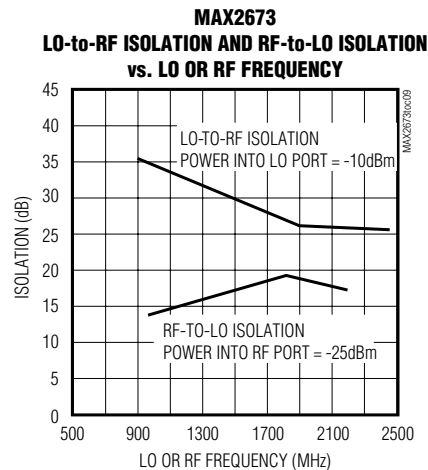
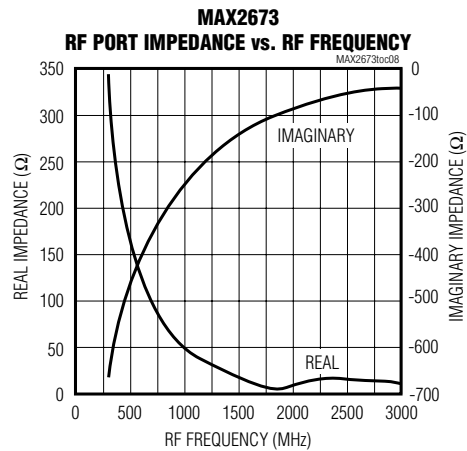
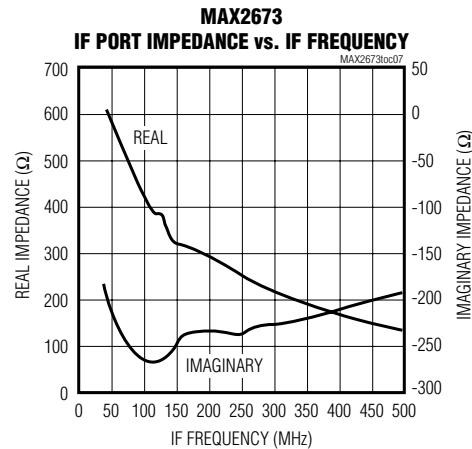
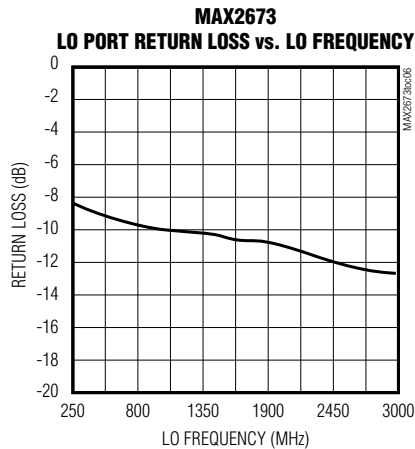
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## Pin Description

| PIN                                      |         | NAME              | FUNCTION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|------------------------------------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| MAX2660<br>MAX2661<br>MAX2663<br>MAX2671 | MAX2673 |                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 1                                        | 1       | LO                | Local-Oscillator Input. Apply a local-oscillator signal with an amplitude of -10dBm to +5dBm for the MAX2671/MAX2673 or -5dBm to +2dBm for the MAX2660/ MAX2661/ MAX2663. AC-couple to the oscillator with a DC blocking capacitor. Nominal DC voltage is $V_{CC} - 0.4V$ to $V_{CC} - 1.0V$ .            |
| 2                                        | 2, 6    | GND               | Mixer Ground. Connect to the ground plane with a low-inductance connection.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 3                                        | 7, 8    | IFIN              | Intermediate Frequency Input. AC-couple to the input signal with a DC blocking capacitor. Nominal DC voltage is 1.37V.                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 4                                        | 5       | RFOUT             | Radio Frequency Output. Open-collector output requires an inductor to $V_{CC}$ that is part of an impedance-matching network. AC-couple to this pin using a blocking capacitor that can be part of the impedance-matching network. See <i>Applications Information</i> for details on impedance matching. |
| 5                                        | 4       | $V_{CC}$          | Voltage Supply Rail, +2.7V to +5.5V. Bypass with a capacitor to the ground plane. Capacitor value depends on desired operating frequency.                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 6                                        | 3       | $\overline{SHDN}$ | Active-Low Shutdown Pin. Drive low to deactivate all part functions and reduce the supply current to less than 1 $\mu$ A. For normal operation, drive high or connect to $V_{CC}$ .                                                                                                                       |

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## Detailed Description

The MAX2660/MAX2661/MAX2663/MAX2671/MAX2673 are 2.5GHz double-balanced upconverter mixers designed to provide optimum linearity performance for a specified supply current. These upconverter mixers use single-ended RF, LO, and IF port connections, except for the MAX2673, which uses a differential IF port. An on-chip bias cell provides a low-power shut-down feature. See the *Selector Guide* for device features and comparison.

## Applications Information

### Local-Oscillator (LO) Input

The LO input is a single-ended broadband port with a return loss of better than 8dB from 600MHz to 2.5GHz. The LO signal is mixed with the input IF signal, and the resulting upconverted output appears on the RFOUT pin. AC-couple the LO pin with a capacitor having less than  $3\Omega$  reactance at the LO frequency. The MAX2671/MAX2673 include an internal LO buffer and require an LO signal ranging from -10dBm to +5dBm, while the MAX2660/MAX2661/MAX2663 require an LO signal ranging from -5dBm to +2dBm.

### IF Input

The MAX2660/MAX2661/MAX2663/MAX2671 have a single-ended IF input port, while the MAX2673 has a differential IF input port for high-performance interface-to-differential IF filters. AC-couple the IF pin(s) with a capacitor. The typical IF input frequency range is 40MHz to 500MHz. For further information, see the IF Port Impedance vs. IF Frequency graph in the *Typical Operating Characteristics*.

### RF Output

The RF output frequency range extends from 400MHz to 2.5GHz. RFOUT is a high-impedance, open-collector output that requires an external inductor to VCC for proper biasing. For optimum performance, implement an impedance-matching network. The configuration and values for the matching network depend on the frequency, performance, and desired output impedance. For assistance in choosing components for optimal performance, see Table 1 as well as the RF Output Impedance vs. RF Frequency graph in the *Typical Operating Characteristics*.

## Power Supply and $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$ Bypassing

Proper attention to supply bypassing is essential for a high-frequency RF circuit. Bypass VCC with a 10 $\mu$ F capacitor in parallel with an RF capacitor (Table 2). Use separate vias to the ground plane for each of the bypass capacitors and minimize trace length to reduce inductance. Use separate vias to the ground plane for each ground pin. Use low-inductance ground connections.

Decouple  $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$  with a 100pF capacitor to ground to minimize noise on the internal bias cell. Use a series resistor (typically 100 $\Omega$ ) to reduce coupling of high-frequency signals into the  $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$  pin.

## Layout Issues

A well-designed PC board is an essential part of an RF circuit. For best performance, pay attention to power-supply issues as well as to the layout of the RFOUT matching network.

### Power-Supply Layout

To minimize coupling between different sections of the IC, the ideal power-supply layout is a star configuration with a large decoupling capacitor at a central VCC node. The VCC traces branch out from this central node, each going to a separate VCC node in the PC board. At the end of each trace is a bypass capacitor that has low ESR at the RF frequency of operation. This arrangement provides local decoupling at each VCC pin. At high frequencies, any signal leaking out of one supply pin sees a relatively high impedance (formed by the VCC trace inductance) to the central VCC node, and an even higher impedance to any other supply pin, as well as a low impedance to ground through the bypass capacitor.

### Impedance-Matching Network Layout

The RFOUT matching network is very sensitive to layout-related parasitics. To minimize parasitic inductance, keep all traces short and place components as close as possible to the chip. To minimize parasitic capacitance, use cutouts in the ground plane (and any other plane) below the matching network components.

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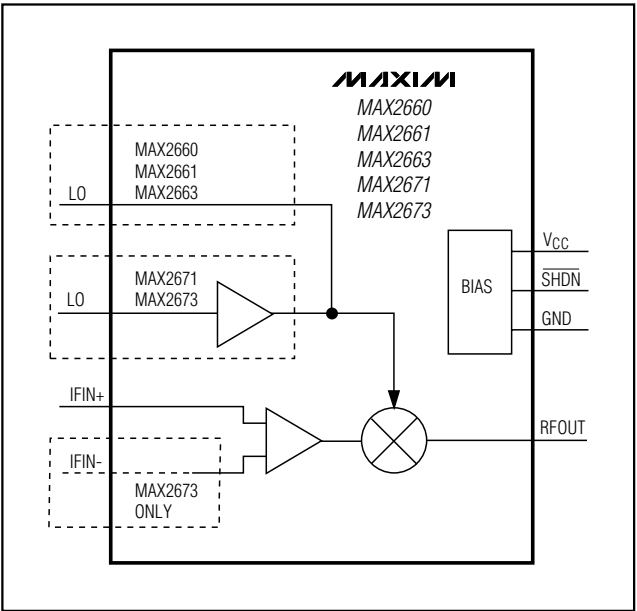
Table 1. RF Output Impedance

| PART    | RF OUTPUT IMPEDANCE ( $\Omega$ ) |           |            |            |
|---------|----------------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|
|         | AT 400MHz                        | AT 900MHz | AT 1900MHz | AT 2450MHz |
| MAX2660 | 480-j732                         | 126-j459  | 65-j190    | 46-j124    |
| MAX2661 | 357-j649                         | 92-j375   | 54-j152    | 38-j99     |
| MAX2663 | 485-j718                         | 130-j453  | 65-j188    | 45-j123    |
| MAX2671 | 333-j613                         | 82-j360   | 46-j150    | 31-j95     |
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Table 2. Typical Operating Circuit (External Component Values)

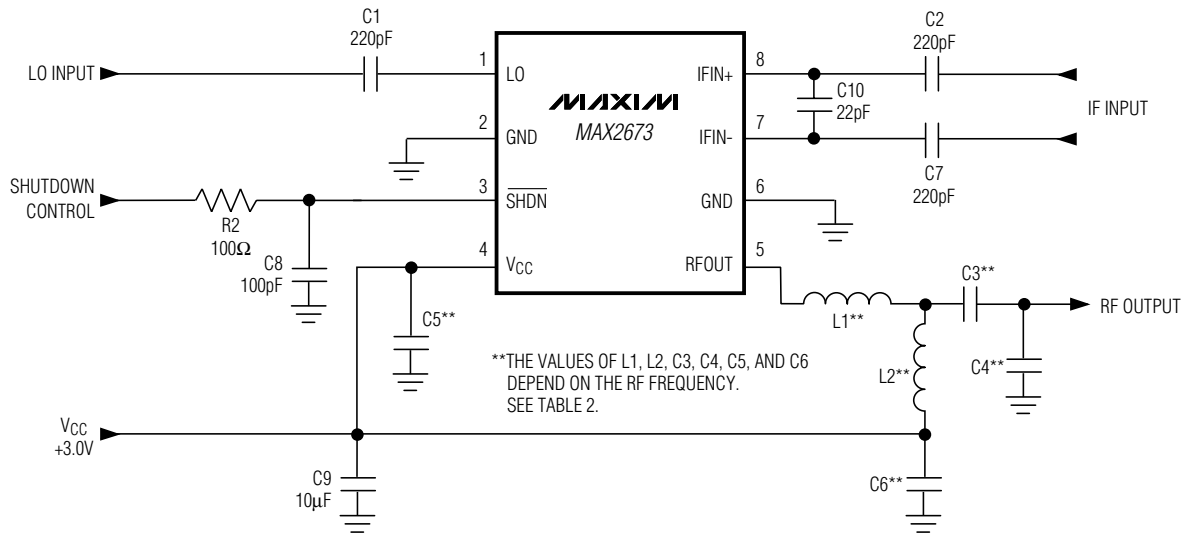
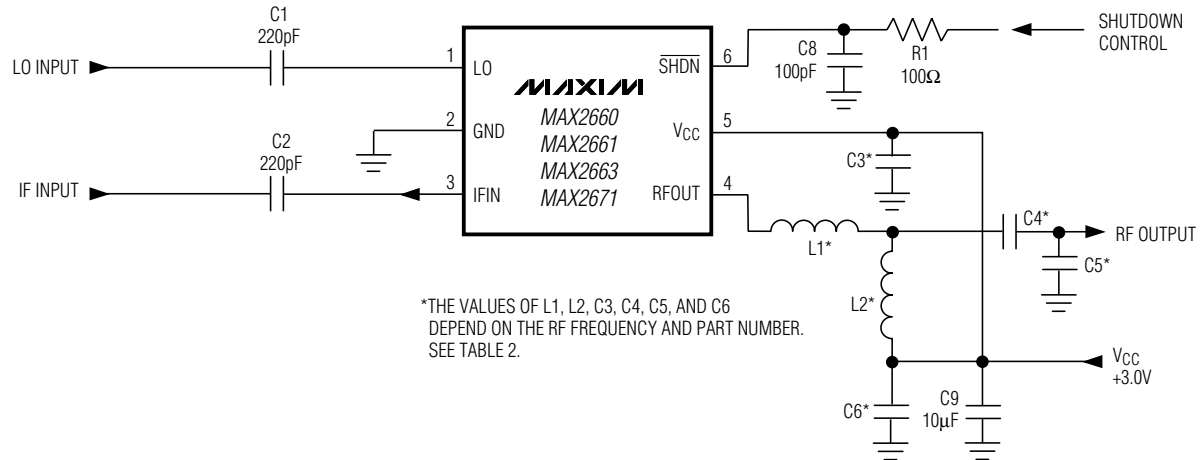
| COMPONENT | COMPONENT VALUE AT A GIVEN FREQUENCY (MHz) |        |         |         |                 |        |         |         |         |        |         |         |         |        |         |         |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-----------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
|           | MAX2660                                    |        |         |         | MAX2661/MAX2671 |        |         |         | MAX2663 |        |         |         | MAX2673 |        |         |         |
|           | AT 400                                     | AT 900 | AT 1900 | AT 2450 | AT 400          | AT 900 | AT 1900 | AT 2450 | AT 400  | AT 900 | AT 1900 | AT 2450 | AT 400  | AT 900 | AT 1900 | AT 2450 |
| L1 (nH)   | Short                                      | 33     | 8.2     | 3.3     | Short           | 33     | 8.2     | 3.3     | Short   | 33     | 8.2     | 3.3     | Short   | 27     | 5.6     | 3.9     |
| L2 (nH)   | 39                                         | 18     | 2.7     | 2.2     | 39              | 18     | 2.7     | 1.8     | 39      | 18     | 1.8     | 1.8     | 39      | 18     | 4.7     | 6.8     |
| C3 (pF)   | 470                                        | 47     | 47      | 47      | 470             | 47     | 47      | 47      | 470     | 47     | 47      | 47      | 3.3     | 220    | 10      | 15      |
| C4 (pF)   | 3.3                                        | 220    | 220     | 15      | 3.3             | 220    | 100     | 220     | 3.3     | 220    | 100     | 220     | 6.8     | 1.5    | 1.5     | 1       |
| C5 (pF)   | 6.8                                        | 1      | 1.5     | Open    | 6.8             | 1      | 1.5     | Open    | 6.8     | 1.8    | 1.8     | Open    | 470     | 47     | 47      | 47      |
| C6 (pF)   | 470                                        | 47     | 47      | 15      | 470             | 47     | 100     | 47      | 470     | 47     | 100     | 47      | 470     | 100    | 100     | 100     |

Functional Diagram



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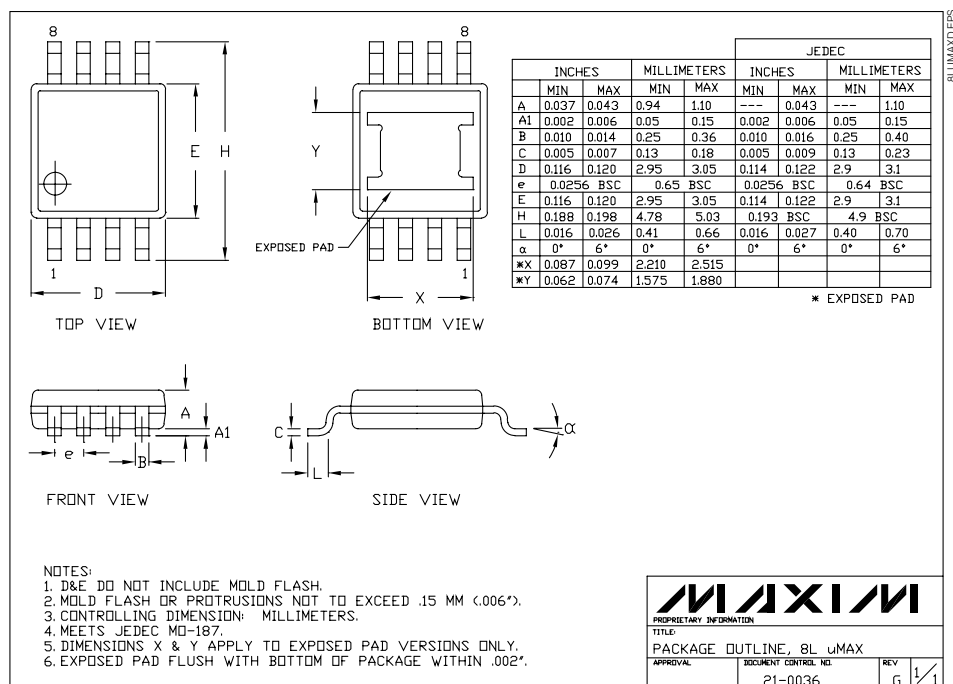
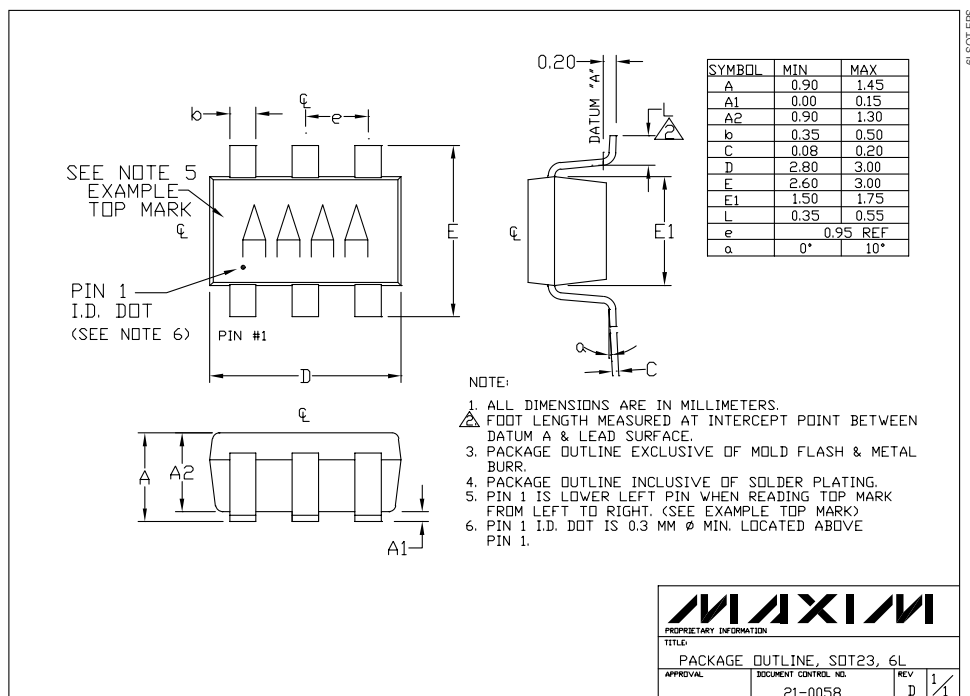
## Typical Operating Circuits



MAX2660/MAX2661/MAX2663/MAX2671/MAX2673

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## Package Information





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