



# 5GHz, 4-Channel MIMO Transmitter

**MAX2850**

## General Description

The MAX2850 is a single-chip, 4-channel RF transmitter IC designed for 5GHz wireless HDMI applications. The IC includes all circuitry required to implement the complete 4-channel MIMO RF transmitter function and crystal oscillator, providing a fully integrated transmit path, VCO, frequency synthesis, and baseband/control interface. It includes a fast-settling, sigma-delta RF fractional synthesizer with 76Hz frequency programming step size. The IC also integrates on-chip I/Q amplitude and phase-error calibration circuits. Dynamic on/off control of four external PAs is implemented with programmable precision voltages. A 4-to-1 analog mux routes external PA power-detect voltages to the RSSI pin.

On-chip monolithic filters are included for transmitter I/Q baseband signal reconstruction to support both 20MHz and 40MHz RF channels. The baseband filtering and Tx signal paths are optimized to meet stringent WHDI requirements. The upconverter local oscillator is coherent among all the transmitter channels.

The reverse-link control channel uses an on-chip 5GHz OFDM receiver. It shares the RF synthesizer and LO generation circuit with the MIMO transmitters. The receiver includes both an in-channel RSSI and an RF RSSI.

The MIMO transmitter chip is housed in a small, 68-pin thin QFN leadless plastic package with exposed pad.

## Applications

- 5GHz Wireless HDMI (WHDl)
- 5GHz FDD Backhaul and WiMax™
- 5GHz MIMO Transmitter Up to Four Spatial Streams
- 5GHz Beam Steering Transmitter

## Features

- ◆ 5GHz 4x MIMO Downlink Transmitters, Single Uplink IEEE 802.11a Receiver
  - 4900MHz to 5900MHz Frequency Range
  - 5dBm Transmit Power (54Mbps OFDM)
  - Coherent LO Among Transmitters
  - 31dB Tx Gain-Control Range with 0.5dB Step Size, Digitally Controlled
  - Tx/Rx I/Q Error and LO Leakage Detection and Adjustment
  - Programmable 20MHz/40MHz Tx I/Q Lowpass Anti-Aliasing Filter
  - 4-to-1 Analog Mux for PA Power Detect
  - 4-Channel PA On/Off Control
  - 4.5dB Rx Noise Figure
  - 70dB Rx Gain-Control Range with 2dB Step Size, Digitally Controlled
  - 60dB Dynamic Range Receiver RSSI
  - RF Wideband Receiver RSSI
  - Programmable 20MHz/40MHz Rx I/Q Lowpass Channel Filters
  - Sigma-Delta Fractional-N PLL with 76Hz Resolution
  - Monolithic Low-Noise VCO with -35dBc Integrated Phase Noise
  - 4-Wire SPI™ Digital Interface
  - I/Q Analog Baseband Interface
  - Digital Tx/Rx Mode Control
  - On-Chip Digital Temperature Sensor Readout
  - Complete Baseband Interface
  - Digital Tx/Rx Mode Control
- ◆ +2.7V to +3.6V Supply Voltage
- ◆ Small, 68-Pin Thin QFN Package (10mm x 10mm)

## Ordering Information

| PART        | TEMP RANGE     | PIN-PACKAGE     |
|-------------|----------------|-----------------|
| MAX2850ITK+ | -25°C to +85°C | 68 Thin QFN-EP* |

\*EP = Exposed pad.

+Denotes a lead(Pb)-free/RoHS-compliant package.

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Typical Operating Circuit appears at end of data sheet.



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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

|  |                |   |                 |
|--|----------------|---|-----------------|
| VCC_ Pins to GND .....   | -0.3V to +3.9V | Digital Inputs: ENABLE, $\overline{CS}$ , SCLK, DIN to GND... | -0.3V to +3.9V  |
| RF Inputs Maximum Current: RXRF+, RXRF- to GND .....   | -1mA to +1mA   | Digital Outputs: DOUT, CLKOUT to GND.....                     | -0.3V to +3.9V  |
| RF Outputs: TXRF1+, TXRF1-, TXRF2+, TXRF2-, TXRF3+, TXRF3-, TXRF4+, TXRF4- to GND.....   | -0.3V to +3.9V | Short-Circuit Duration  |                 |
| Analog Inputs: TXBB1I+, TXBB1I-, TXBB1Q+, TXBB1Q-, TXBB2I+, TXBB2I-, TXBB2Q+, TXBB2Q-, TXBB3I+, TXBB3I-, TXBB3Q+, TXBB3Q-, TXBB4I+, TXBB4I-, TXBB4Q+, TXBB4Q-, PA_DET1, PA_DET2, PA_DET3, PA_DET4, XTAL, XTAL_CAP to GND ..... | -0.3V to +3.9V | Analog Outputs .....  | 10s             |
| Analog Outputs: RXBBI+, RXBBI-, RXBBQ+, RXBBQ-, RSSI, CLKOUT2, VCOBYP, CPOUT+, CPOUT-, PA_BIAS1, PA_BIAS2, PA_BIAS3, PA_BIAS4 to GND.....  | -0.3V to +3.9V | Digital Outputs.....  | 10s             |
|  |                | RF Input Power.....   | +10dBm          |
|  |                | RF Output Differential Load VSWR .....                        | 6:1             |
|  |                | Continuous Power Dissipation (TA = +85°C)                     |                 |
|  |                | 68-Pin Thin QFN (derate 29.4mW/°C above +70°C)....            | 2352mW          |
|  |                | Operating Temperature Range .....                             | -25°C to +85°C  |
|  |                | Junction Temperature .....                                    | +150°C          |
|  |                | Storage Temperature Range.....                                | -65°C to +160°C |
|  |                | Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) .....                       | +300°C          |
|  |                | Soldering Temperature (reflow) .....                          | +260°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

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified: VCC = 2.7V~3.6V, ENABLE set according to operating mode,  $\overline{CS}$  = high, SCLK = DIN = low, transmitter in maximum gain, TA = -25°C to +85°C. Power matching and termination for the differential RF output pins using the *Typical Operating Circuit*. 100mVRMS differential I and Q signals applied to I/Q baseband inputs of transmitters in transmit mode. Typical values measured at VCC = 2.85V, TA = +25°C, LO frequency = 5.35GHz, TA = +25°C. Channel bandwidth is set to 40MHz. PA control pins open circuit, VCC\_PA\_BIAS is disconnected.) (Note 1)

| PARAMETERS  | CONDITIONS                |                               | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |    |
|---|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|----|
| Supply Voltage, VCC                                   |                           |                               | 2.7 |     | 3.6 | V     |    |
| Supply Current  | Shutdown mode             | TA = +25°C                    |     | 10  |     | μA    |    |
|   | Clock-out only mode       | XTAL oscillator, load = 10pF  |     | 3   |     |       |    |
|   |                           | TCXO input, load = 10kΩ  10pF |     | 7.4 | 11  |       |    |
|   | Standby mode              |                               |     | 60  | 89  |       |    |
|   | Transmit mode             | One transmitter is on         |     |     | 188 | 235   | mA |
|   |                           | Four transmitters are on      |     |     | 505 | 661   |    |
|   | Receive mode              |                               |     |     | 135 | 174   |    |
|   | Transmit calibration mode | One transmitter is on         |     |     | 214 | 261   |    |
| Four transmitters are on                              |                           |                               |     | 532 | 686 |       |    |
| Receive calibration mode                              |                           |                               |     | 268 | 327 |       |    |
| Rx I/Q Output Common-Mode Voltage                     |                           |                               | 0.9 | 1.1 | 1.3 | V     |    |
| Tx Baseband Input Common-Mode Voltage Operating Range |                           |                               | 0.5 |     | 1.1 | V     |    |
| Tx Baseband Input Bias Current                        | Source current            |                               |     | 10  | 20  | μA    |    |

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### DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V \sim 3.6V$ , ENABLE set according to operating mode,  $\overline{CS} = \text{high}$ , SCLK = DIN = low, transmitter in maximum gain,  $T_A = -25^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+85^\circ\text{C}$ . Power matching and termination for the differential RF output pins using the *Typical Operating Circuit*.  $100mV_{RMS}$  differential I and Q signals applied to I/Q baseband inputs of transmitters in transmit mode. Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ ,  $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ , LO frequency = 5.35GHz,  $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ . Channel bandwidth is set to 40MHz. PA control pins open circuit,  $V_{CC\_PA\_BIAS}$  is disconnected.) (Note 1)

| PARAMETERS   | CONDITIONS   | MIN            | TYP      | MAX | UNITS         |
|--|--------------|----------------|----------|-----|---------------|
| <b>LOGIC INPUTS: ENABLE, SCLK, DIN, <math>\overline{CS}</math></b> |              |                |          |     |               |
| Digital Input-Voltage High, $V_{IH}$                               |              | $V_{CC} - 0.4$ |          |     | V             |
| Digital Input-Voltage Low, $V_{IL}$                                |              |                |          | 0.3 | V             |
| Digital Input-Current High, $I_{IH}$                               |              | -1             |          | +1  | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| Digital Input-Current Low, $I_{IL}$                                |              | -1             |          | +1  | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| <b>LOGIC OUTPUTS: DOUT, CLKOUT</b>                                 |              |                |          |     |               |
| Digital Output-Voltage High, $V_{OH}$                              | Sourcing 1mA | $V_{CC} - 0.4$ |          |     | V             |
| Digital Output-Voltage Low, $V_{OL}$                               | Sinking 1mA  |                |          | 0.4 | V             |
| Digital Output Voltage in Shutdown Mode                            | Sinking 1mA  |                | $V_{OL}$ |     | V             |

### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—Rx MODE

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V \sim 3.6V$ , RF frequency = 5.351GHz,  $T_A = -25^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+85^\circ\text{C}$ . LO frequency = 5.35GHz. Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS} = \text{high}$ , SCLK = DIN = low, with power matching at RXRF+ and RXRF- differential ports using the *Typical Operating Circuit*. Receiver I/Q output at  $100mV_{RMS}$  loaded with  $10k\Omega$  differential load resistance and 10pF load capacitance. The RSSI pin is loaded with  $10k\Omega$  load resistance to ground. Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ , channel bandwidths of 40MHz,  $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER  | CONDITIONS  | MIN  | TYP | MAX  | UNITS |
|--|---|------|-----|------|-------|
| <b>RECEIVER SECTION: RF INPUT TO I/Q BASEBAND LOADED OUTPUT (Includes <math>50\Omega</math> to <math>100\Omega</math> RF Balun and Matching)</b> |   |      |     |      |       |
| RF Input Frequency Range   |   | 4.9  |     | 5.9  | GHz   |
| Peak-to-Peak Gain Variation over RF Frequency Range at One Temperature   | 4.9GHz to 5.35GHz   |      | 0.3 | 2.6  | dB    |
|  | 5.35GHz to 5.9GHz   |      | 2.2 | 5.3  |       |
| RF Input Return Loss   | All LNA settings  |      | -6  |      | dB    |
| Total Voltage Gain   | Maximum gain; Main address 1 D7:0 = 11111111  | 61   | 68  |      | dB    |
|  | Minimum gain; Main address 1 D7:0 = 00000000  |      | -2  | +5   |       |
| RF Gain Steps Relative to Maximum Gain   | Main address 1 D7:D5 = 110  |      | -8  |      | dB    |
|  | Main address 1 D7:D5 = 101  |      | -16 |      |       |
|  | Main address 1 D7:D5 = 001  |      | -32 |      |       |
|  | Main address 1 D7:D5 = 000  |      | -40 |      |       |
| Baseband Gain Range  | From maximum baseband gain (Main address 1 D3:D0 = 1111) to minimum baseband gain (Main address 1 D3:D0 = 0000) | 27.5 | 30  | 32.5 | dB    |
| Baseband Gain Step   |   |      | 2   |      | dB    |
| RF Gain Change Settling Time   | Gain settling to within $\pm 0.5\text{dB}$ of steady state; RXHP = 1  |      | 400 |      | ns    |

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### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—Rx MODE (continued)

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V \sim 3.6V$ , RF frequency = 5.351GHz,  $T_A = -25^\circ C$  to  $+85^\circ C$ . LO frequency = 5.35GHz. Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS} =$  high, SCLK = DIN = low, with power matching at RXRF+ and RXRF- differential ports using the *Typical Operating Circuit*. Receiver I/Q output at 100mV<sub>RMS</sub> loaded with 10k $\Omega$  differential load resistance and 10pF load capacitance. The RSSI pin is loaded with 10k $\Omega$  load resistance to ground. Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ , channel bandwidths of 40MHz,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER   | CONDITIONS  |  | MIN | TYP  | MAX | UNITS            |
|---|---|--|-----|------|-----|------------------|
| Baseband Gain-Change Settling Time                    | Gain settling to within $\pm 0.5$ dB of steady state; RXHP = 1                                      |  |     | 200  |     | ns               |
| DSB Noise Figure                                      | Balun input referred, integrated from 10kHz to 9.5MHz at I/Q baseband output for 20MHz RF bandwidth | Maximum RF gain (Main address 1 D7:D5 = 111)                                 |     | 4.5  |     | dB               |
|   |   | Maximum RF gain - 16dB (Main address 1 D7:D5 = 101)                          |     | 15   |     |                  |
|   | Balun input referred, integrated from 10kHz to 19MHz at I/Q baseband output for 40MHz RF bandwidth  | Maximum RF gain (Main address 1 D7:D5 = 111)                                 |     | 4.5  |     |                  |
|   |   | Maximum RF gain - 16dB (Main address 1 D7:D5 = 101)                          |     | 15   |     |                  |
| Out-of-Band Input IP3                                 | 20MHz RF channel; two tone jammers at +25MHz and +48MHz frequency offset with -39dBm/tone           | -65dBm wanted signal; RF gain = max (Main address 1 D7:D0 = 11101001)        |     | -13  |     | dBm              |
|   |   | -49dBm wanted signal; RF gain = max - 16dB (Main address 1 D7:D0 = 10101001) |     | -5   |     |                  |
|   |   | -45dBm wanted signal; RF gain = max - 32dB (Main address 1 D7:D0 = 00111111) |     | 11   |     |                  |
|   | 40MHz RF channel; two tone jammers at +50MHz and +96MHz frequency offset with -39dBm/tone           | -65dBm wanted signal; RF gain = max (Main address 1 D7:D0 = 11101001)        |     | -13  |     |                  |
|   |   | -49dBm wanted signal; RF gain = max - 16dB (Main address 1 D7:D0 = 10101001) |     | -5   |     |                  |
|   |   | -45dBm wanted signal; RF gain = max - 32dB (Main address 1 D7:D0 = 00101001) |     | 11   |     |                  |
| 1dB Gain Desensitization by Alternate Channel Blocker | Blocker at $\pm 40$ MHz offset frequency for 20MHz RF channel                                       |  |     | -24  |     | dBm              |
|   | Blocker at $\pm 80$ MHz offset frequency for 40MHz RF channel                                       |  |     | -24  |     |                  |
| Input 1dB Gain Compression                            | Max RF gain (Main address 1 D7:D5 = 111)  |  |     | -32  |     | dBm              |
|   | Max RF gain - 8dB (Main address 1 D7:D5 = 110)  |  |     | -24  |     |                  |
|   | Max RF gain - 16dB (Main address 1 D7:D5 = 101)   |  |     | -16  |     |                  |
|   | Max RF gain - 32dB (Main address 1 D7:D5 = 001)   |  |     | 0    |     |                  |
| Output 1dB Gain Compression                           | Over passband frequency range; at any gain setting; 1dB compression point                           |  |     | 0.63 |     | V <sub>P-P</sub> |

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### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—Rx MODE (continued)

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V \sim 3.6V$ , RF frequency = 5.351GHz,  $T_A = -25^\circ C$  to  $+85^\circ C$ . LO frequency = 5.35GHz. Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS}$  = high, SCLK = DIN = low, with power matching at RXRF+ and RXRF- differential ports using the *Typical Operating Circuit*. Receiver I/Q output at  $100mV_{RMS}$  loaded with  $10k\Omega$  differential load resistance and 10pF load capacitance. The RSSI pin is loaded with  $10k\Omega$  load resistance to ground. Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ , channel bandwidths of 40MHz,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER   | CONDITIONS   | MIN  | TYP  | MAX  | UNITS       |
|---|--|------|------|------|-------------|
| Baseband -3dB Lowpass Corner Frequency            | Main address 0 D1 = 0  |      | 9.5  |      | MHz         |
|   | Main address 0 D1 = 1  |      | 19   |      |             |
| Baseband Filter Stopband Rejection                | Rejection at 30MHz offset frequency for 20MHz channel  | 57   | 70   |      | dB          |
|   | Rejection at 60MHz offset frequency for 40MHz channel  | 57   | 70   |      |             |
| Baseband -3dB Highpass Corner Frequency           | Main address 5 D1 = 1  |      | 600  |      | kHz         |
|   | Main address 5 D1 = 0  |      | 10   |      |             |
| Steady-State I/Q Output DC Error with AC-Coupling | 50 $\mu$ s after enabling receive mode and toggling RxHP from 1 to 0, averaged over many measurements if I/Q noise voltage exceeds $1mV_{RMS}$ , at any given gain setting, no input signal, 1-sigma value |      | 2    |      | mV          |
| I/Q Gain Imbalance                                | 1MHz baseband output, 1-sigma value  |      | 0.1  |      | dB          |
| I/Q Phase Imbalance                               | 1MHz baseband output, 1-sigma value  |      | 0.2  |      | degrees     |
| Sideband Suppression                              | 1MHz baseband output (Note 2)  |      | 40   |      | dB          |
| Receiver Spurious Signal Emissions                | LO frequency   |      | -75  |      | dBm/<br>MHz |
|   | 2 x LO frequency   |      | -62  |      |             |
|   | 3 x LO frequency   |      | -75  |      |             |
|   | 4 x LO frequency   |      | -60  |      |             |
| RF RSSI Output Voltage                            | -20dBm input power   |      | 1.75 |      | V           |
| Baseband RSSI Slope                               |  | 19.5 | 26.5 | 35.5 | mV/dB       |
| Baseband RSSI Maximum Output Voltage              |  |      | 2.3  |      | V           |
| Baseband RSSI Minimum Output Voltage              |  |      | 0.5  |      | V           |
| RF Loopback Conversion Gain                       | Tx VGA gain at maximum (Main address 9 D9:D4 = 111111); Rx VGA gain at maximum - 24dB (Main address 1 D3:D0 = 0101)  | -6   | +2   | +10  | dB          |

### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—Tx MODE

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V \sim 3.6V$ , RF frequency = 5.351GHz,  $T_A = -25^\circ C$  to  $+85^\circ C$ . LO frequency = 5.35GHz. Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS}$  = high, SCLK = DIN = low, with power matching at TXRF+ and TXRF- differential ports using the *Typical Operating Circuit*. 100mV<sub>RMS</sub> sine and cosine signal applied to I/Q baseband inputs of transmitter (differential DC-coupled). Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ , channel bandwidths of 40MHz,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER  | CONDITIONS         | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
|--|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| <b>TRANSMIT SECTION: Tx BASEBAND I/Q INPUTS TO RF OUTPUTS (Includes Matching and Balun Loss)</b> |                    |     |     |     |       |
| RF Output Frequency Range  |                    | 4.9 |     | 5.9 | GHz   |
| Peak-to-Peak Gain Variation over RF Band   | At one temperature |     | 3   | 6.4 | dB    |

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### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—Tx MODE (continued)

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V\sim 3.6V$ , RF frequency = 5.351GHz,  $T_A = -25^\circ C$  to  $+85^\circ C$ . LO frequency = 5.35GHz. Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS} =$  high, SCLK = DIN = low, with power matching at TXRF+ and TXRF- differential ports using the *Typical Operating Circuit*. 100mV<sub>RMS</sub> sine and cosine signal applied to I/Q baseband inputs of transmitter (differential DC-coupled). Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ , channel bandwidths of 40MHz,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER                          | CONDITIONS  | MIN | TYP  | MAX  | UNITS              |
|------------------------------------|---|-----|------|------|--------------------|
| Maximum Output Power               | 20MHz OFDM signal conforming to spectral emission mask and -34dB EVM  |     | -4   |      | dBm                |
|                                    | 40MHz OFDM signal conforming to spectral emission mask and -34dB EVM  |     | -4   |      |                    |
| Output 1dB Gain Compression        | Relative to typical maximum output power at 9.5MHz input frequency  |     | 11   |      | dBc                |
| Input 1dB Gain Compression         | At 19MHz input frequency, over input common-mode voltage between 0.5V and 1.1V  |     | 380  |      | mV <sub>RMS</sub>  |
| Gain-Control Range                 |   | 26  | 31.5 | 34.5 | dB                 |
| Gain-Control Step                  |   |     | 0.5  |      | dB                 |
| RF Output Return Loss              |   |     | -3   |      | dB                 |
| Unwanted Sideband                  | Over RF channel, RF frequency, baseband frequency, and gain settings (Note 2)   |     | -40  |      | dBc                |
| Carrier Leakage                    | Over RF channel, RF frequency, and gain settings (Note 2)   |     | -29  | -15  | dBc                |
| Tx I/Q Input Impedance (RIIC)      | Minimum differential resistance   |     | 60   |      | k $\Omega$         |
|                                    | Maximum differential capacitance  |     | 2    |      | pF                 |
| Baseband Filter Stopband Rejection | At 30MHz frequency offset for 20MHz RF channel  |     | 86   |      | dB                 |
|                                    | At 60MHz frequency offset for 40MHz RF channel  |     | 67   |      |                    |
| Tx Calibration Ftone Level         | At Tx gain code (Main address 9 D9:D4) = 100010 and -15dBc carrier leakage (Local address 27 D2:D0 = 110 and Main address 1 D3:D0 = 0000) |     | -28  |      | dBV <sub>RMS</sub> |
| Tx Calibration Gain Range          | Adjust Local address 27 D2:D0   |     | 35   |      | dB                 |

### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—FREQUENCY SYNTHESIS

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V\sim 3.6V$ , frequency = 5.35GHz,  $T_A = -25^\circ C$  to  $+85^\circ C$ . Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS} =$  high, SCLK = DIN = low. Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ , LO frequency = 5.35GHz,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER                                 | CONDITIONS   | MIN | TYP    | MAX | UNITS |
|---|--|-----|--------|-----|-------|
| <b>FREQUENCY SYNTHESIZER</b>              |  |     |        |     |       |
| RF Channel Center Frequency               |  | 4.9 |        | 5.9 | GHz   |
| Channel Center Frequency Programming Step |  |     | 76.294 |     | Hz    |
| Closed-Loop Integrated Phase Noise        | Loop BW = 200kHz, integrate phase noise from 1kHz to 10MHz |     | -35    |     | dBc   |
| Charge-Pump Output Current                |  |     | 0.8    |     | mA    |
| Spur Level                                | $f_{\text{OFFSET}} = 0$ to 19MHz                           |     | -42    |     | dBc   |
|   | $f_{\text{OFFSET}} = 40$ MHz                               |     | -66    |     |       |
| Reference Frequency                       |  |     | 40     |     | MHz   |

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### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—FREQUENCY SYNTHESIS (continued)

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V\sim 3.6V$ ,  $T_A = -25^{\circ}C$  to  $+85^{\circ}C$ , frequency = 5.35GHz. Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS} =$  high, SCLK = DIN = low; typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ ,  $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ , LO frequency = 5.35GHz.) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER                           | CONDITIONS                 | MIN            | TYP            | MAX | UNITS    |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----|----------|
| Reference Frequency Input Levels    | AC-coupled to XTAL pin     | 800            |                |     | mVp-p    |
| Maximum Crystal Motional Resistance |                            |                | 50             |     | $\Omega$ |
| Crystal Capacitance Tuning Range    | Base-to-ground capacitance |                | 30             |     | pF       |
| Crystal Capacitance Tuning Step     |                            |                | 140            |     | fF       |
| CLKOUT Signal Level                 | 10pF load capacitance      | $V_{CC} - 0.8$ | $V_{CC} - 0.1$ |     | Vp-p     |

### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—MISCELLANEOUS BLOCKS

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V\sim 3.6V$ ,  $T_A = -25^{\circ}C$  to  $+85^{\circ}C$ . Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS} =$  high, SCLK = DIN = low. Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ ,  $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER  | CONDITIONS   | MIN                  | TYP | MAX | UNITS   |
|--|--|----------------------|-----|-----|---------|
| <b>PA POWER DETECTOR MUX</b>                             |  |                      |     |     |         |
| Output-Voltage Drop                                      | $V_{IN} = 2V$ , load resistance = 10k $\Omega$ to ground |                      | 11  | 30  | mV      |
| <b>PA ON/OFF CONTROL</b>                                 |  |                      |     |     |         |
| $V_{CC\_PA}$ Input Voltage Range                         |  | 3.1                  |     | 3.6 | V       |
| $V_{CC\_PA}$ Supply Current                              | With 10mA load at PA_BIAS1 to PA_BIAS4                   |                      | 42  |     | mA      |
| Output High Level  | 10mA load current, Main address 11 D7:5 = 011            |                      | 2.8 |     | V       |
| Output High-Level Variation Between PA_BIAS1 to PA_BIAS4 |  |                      | 30  |     | mV      |
| Output Low Level   | 1mA load current, Main address 11 D7:5 = 011             |                      | 25  |     | mV      |
| Turn-On Time   | Measured from $\overline{CS}$ rising edge                |                      | 0.3 |     | $\mu s$ |
| <b>ON-CHIP TEMPERATURE SENSOR</b>                        |  |                      |     |     |         |
| Digital Output Code                                      | Read-out at DOUT pin through Main address 3 D4:D0        | $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ |     | 17  |         |
|  |  | $T_A = +85^{\circ}C$ |     | 25  |         |
|  |  | $T_A = -20^{\circ}C$ |     | 9   |         |

### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—TIMING

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V\sim 3.6V$ , frequency = 5.35GHz,  $T_A = -25^{\circ}C$  to  $+85^{\circ}C$ . Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS} =$  high, SCLK = DIN = low. Typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ , LO frequency = 5.35GHz,  $T_A = +25^{\circ}C$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER  | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS   | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS   |
|--|--------|--|-----|-----|-----|---------|
| <b>SYSTEM TIMING</b>   |        |  |     |     |     |         |
| Shutdown Time  |        |  |     | 2   |     | $\mu s$ |
| Maximum Channel Switching Time                               |        | Loop bandwidth = 200kHz, settling to within $\pm 1kHz$ from steady state |     | 2   |     | ms      |
| Maximum Channel Switching Time With Preselected VCO Sub-Band |        | Loop bandwidth = 200kHz, settling to within $\pm 1kHz$ from steady state |     | 56  |     | $\mu s$ |

## 5GHz, 4-Channel MIMO Transmitter

### AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS—TIMING (continued)

(Operating conditions, unless otherwise specified:  $V_{CC} = 2.7V \sim 3.6V$ , frequency = 5.35GHz,  $T_A = -25^\circ C$  to  $+85^\circ C$ ., Reference frequency = 40MHz, ENABLE = high,  $\overline{CS} =$  high, SCLK = DIN = low, typical values measured at  $V_{CC} = 2.85V$ , LO frequency = 5.35GHz,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .) (Note 1)

| PARAMETER   | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS   |  | MIN | TYP  | MAX | UNITS   |
|---|--------|--|--|-----|------|-----|---------|
| Rx/Tx Turnaround Time   |        | Measured from $\overline{CS}$ rising edge  | Rx to Tx mode, Tx gain settles to within 0.2dB of steady state               |     | 2    |     | $\mu s$ |
|   |        |  | Tx to Rx mode with RXHP = 1, Rx gain settles to within 0.5dB of steady state |     | 2    |     |         |
| Tx Turn-On Time (from Standby Mode)   |        | Measured from $\overline{CS}$ rising edge, Tx gain settles to within 0.2dB of steady state |  |     | 2    |     | $\mu s$ |
| Tx Turn-Off Time (to Standby Mode)  |        | From $\overline{CS}$ rising edge   |  |     | 0.1  |     | $\mu s$ |
| Rx Turn-On Time (from Standby Mode)   |        | Measured from $\overline{CS}$ rising edge, Rx gain settles to within 0.5dB of steady state |  |     | 2    |     | $\mu s$ |
| Rx Turn-Off Time (to Standby Mode)  |        | From $\overline{CS}$ rising edge   |  |     | 0.1  |     | $\mu s$ |
| <b>4-WIRE SERIAL-INTERFACE TIMING (See Figure 1)</b>  |        |  |  |     |      |     |         |
| SCLK Rising Edge to $\overline{CS}$ Falling Edge Wait Time                                    | tCSO   |  |  |     | 6    |     | ns      |
| Falling Edge of $\overline{CS}$ to Rising Edge of First SCLK Time                             | tCSS   |  |  |     | 6    |     | ns      |
| DIN to SCLK Setup Time  | tDS    |  |  |     | 6    |     | ns      |
| DIN to SCLK Hold Time   | tDH    |  |  |     | 6    |     | ns      |
| SCLK Pulse-Width High   | tCH    |  |  |     | 6    |     | ns      |
| SCLK Pulse-Width Low  | tCL    |  |  |     | 6    |     | ns      |
| Last Rising Edge of SCLK to Rising Edge of $\overline{CS}$ or Clock to Load Enable Setup Time | tCSH   |  |  |     | 6    |     | ns      |
| $\overline{CS}$ High Pulse Width  | tCSW   |  |  |     | 50   |     | ns      |
| Time Between Rising Edge of $\overline{CS}$ and the Next Rising Edge of SCLK                  | tCS1   |  |  |     | 6    |     | ns      |
| SCLK Frequency  | fCLK   |  |  |     |      | 40  | MHz     |
| Rise Time   | tR     |  |  |     | 2.5  |     | ns      |
| Fall Time   | tF     |  |  |     | 2.5  |     | ns      |
| SCLK Falling Edge to Valid DOUT   | tD     |  |  |     | 12.5 |     | ns      |

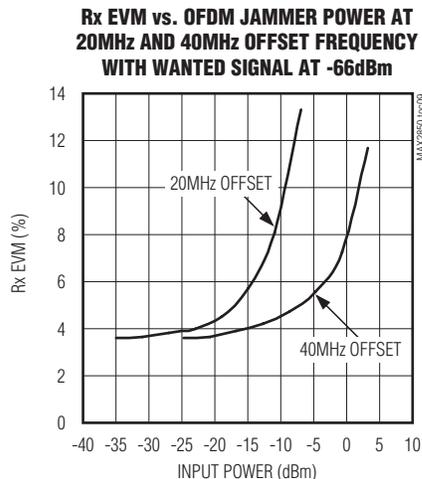
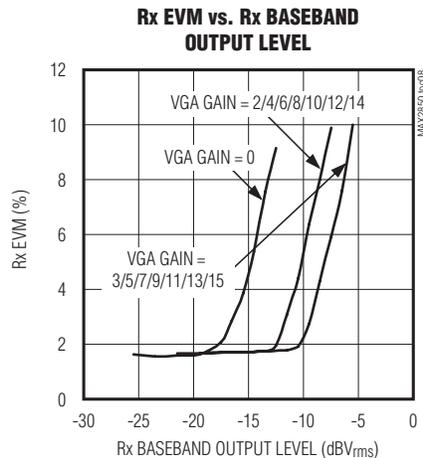
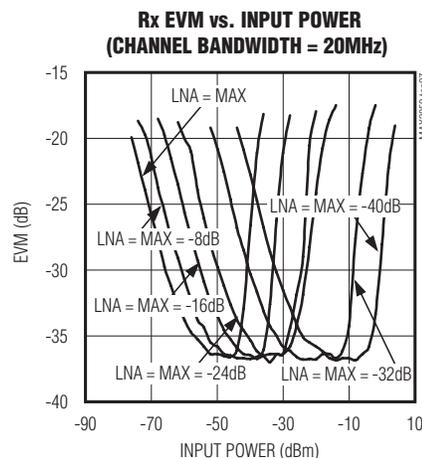
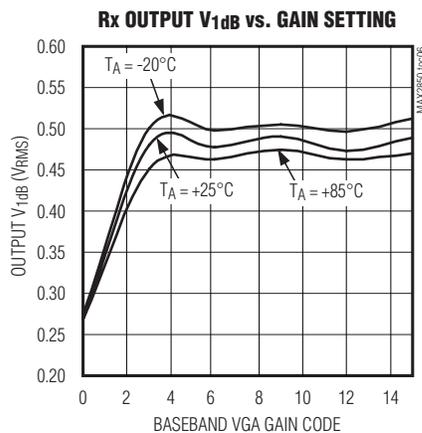
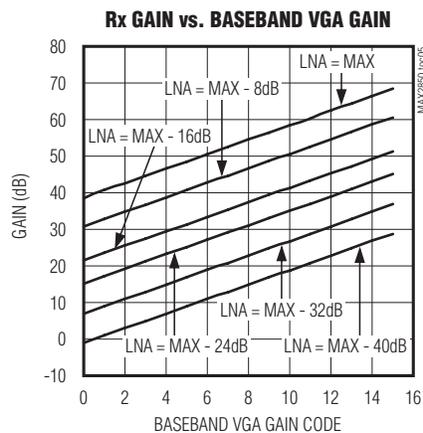
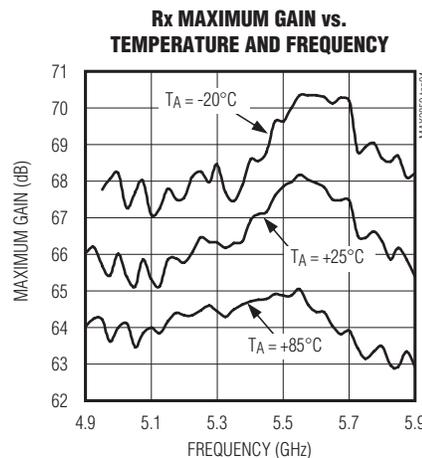
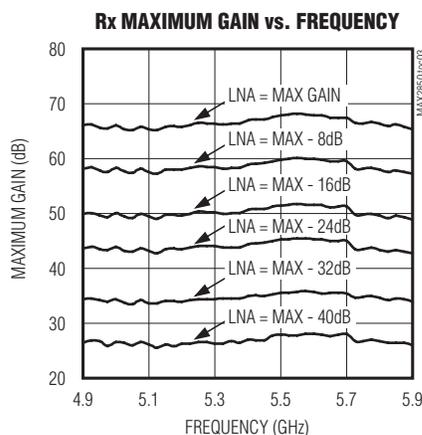
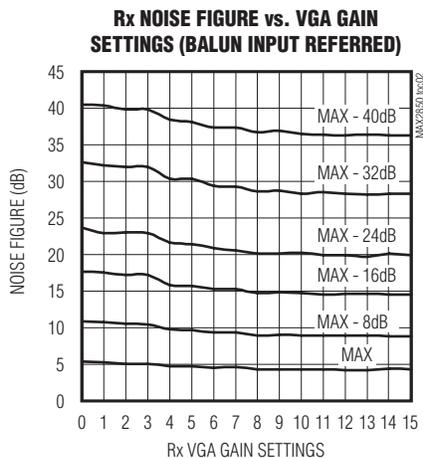
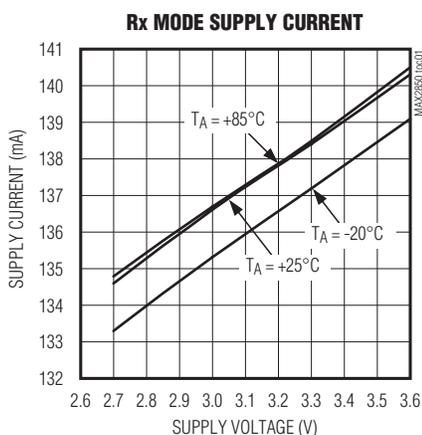
**Note 1:** The MAX2850 is production tested at  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ ; minimum/maximum limits at  $T_A = +25^\circ C$  are guaranteed by test, unless specified otherwise. Minimum/maximum limits at  $T_A = -25^\circ C$  and  $+85^\circ C$  are guaranteed by design and characterization. There is no power-on register settings self-reset; recommended register settings must be loaded after  $V_{CC}$  is applied.

**Note 2:** For optimal Rx and Tx quadrature accuracy over temperature, the user can utilize the Rx calibration and Tx calibration circuit to assist quadrature calibration.

# 5GHz, 4-Channel MIMO Transmitter

## Typical Operating Characteristics

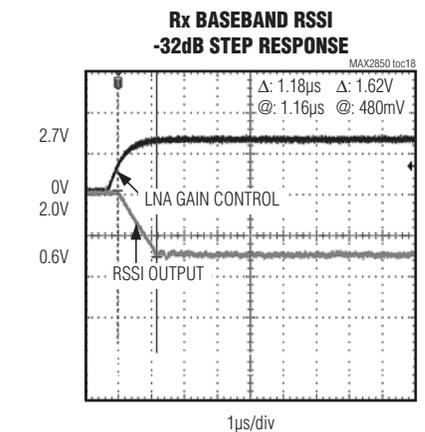
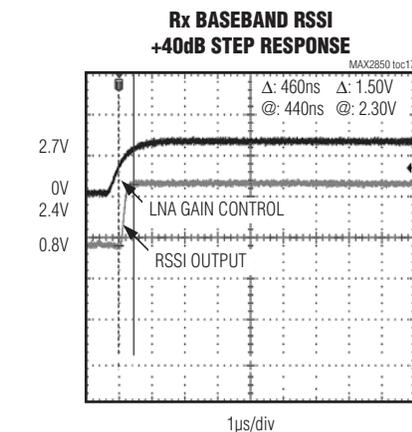
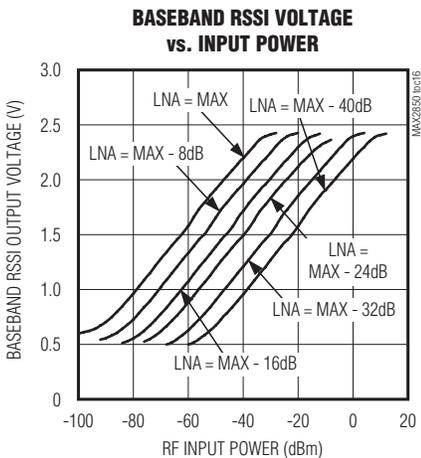
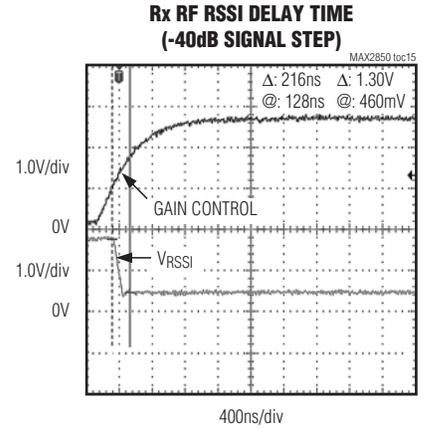
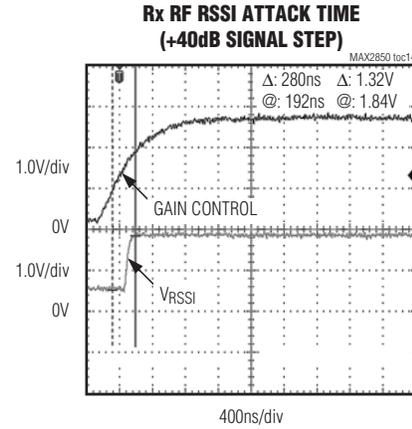
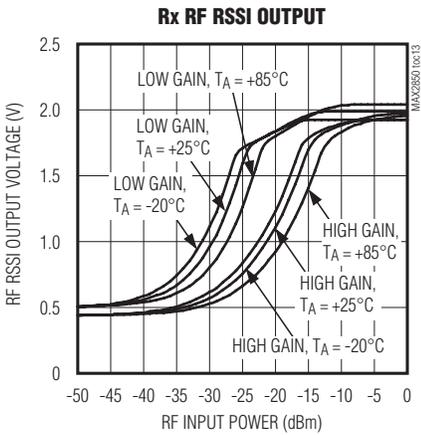
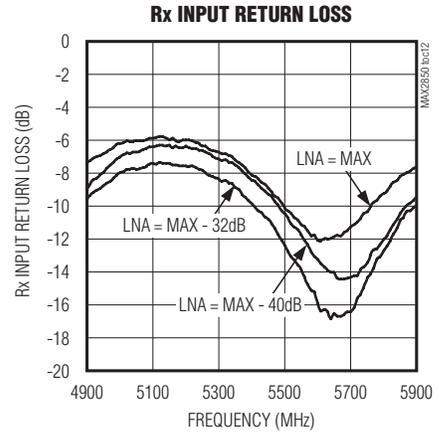
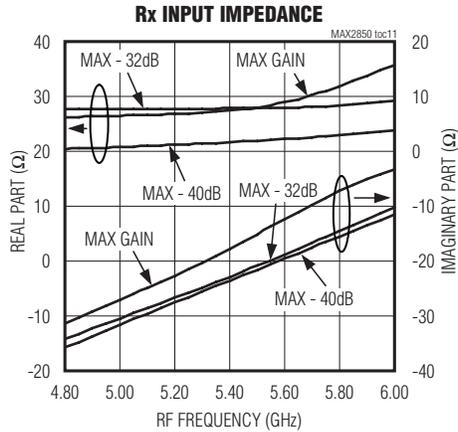
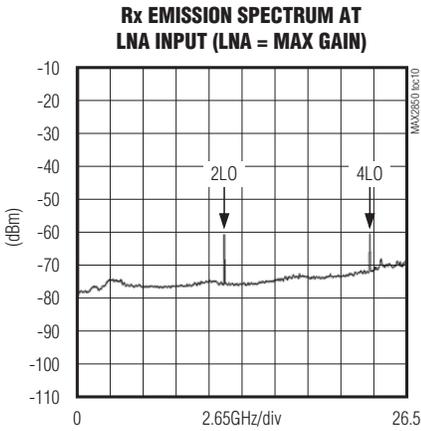
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# 5GHz, 4-Channel MIMO Transmitter

## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

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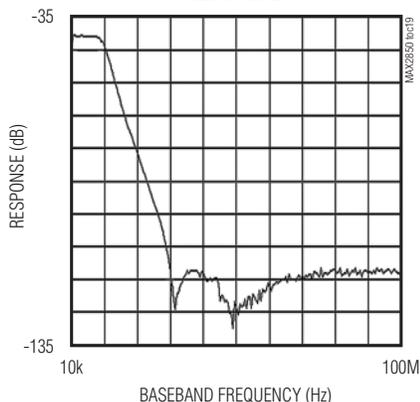


# 5GHz, 4-Channel MIMO Transmitter

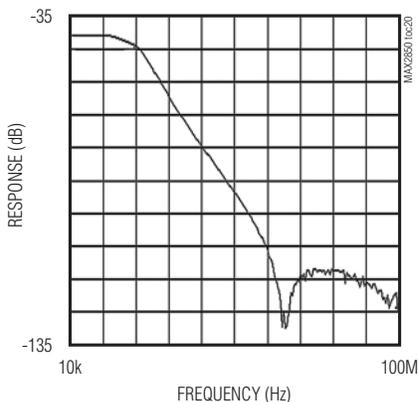
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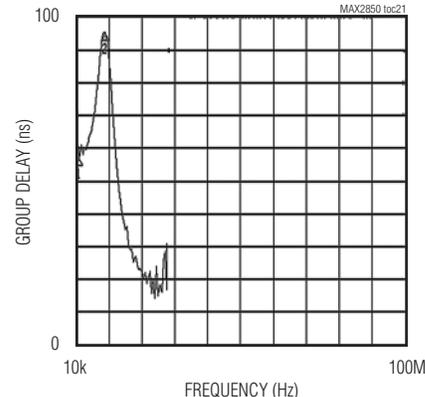
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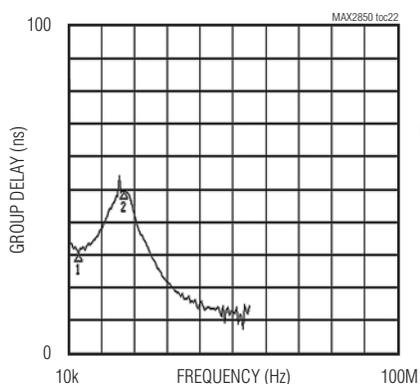
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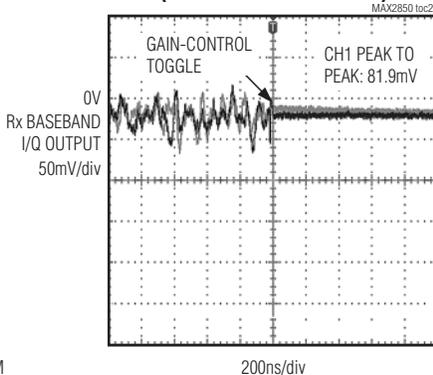
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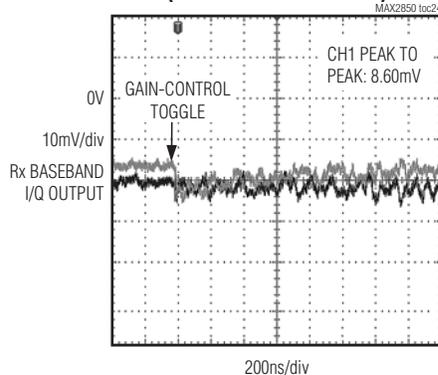
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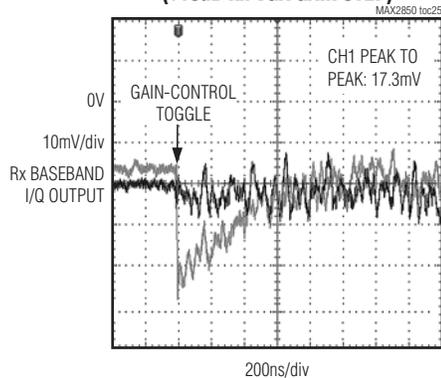
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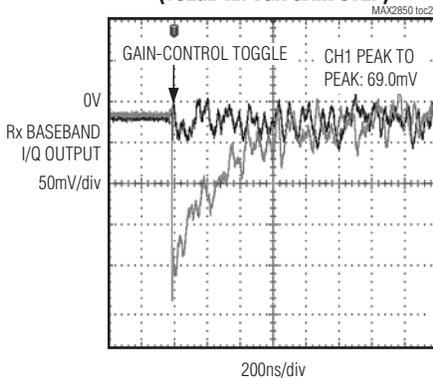
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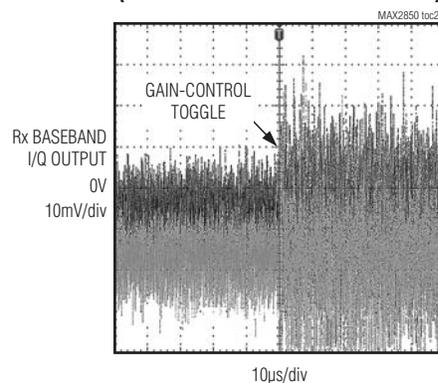
**Rx DC OFFSET SETTLING RESPONSE (+16dB Rx VGA GAIN STEP)**



**Rx DC OFFSET SETTLING RESPONSE (+32dB Rx VGA GAIN STEP)**



**Rx BASEBAND DC OFFSET SETTLING RESPONSE WITH RxHP = 1 (MAX - 40dB TO MAX LNA GAIN STEP)**

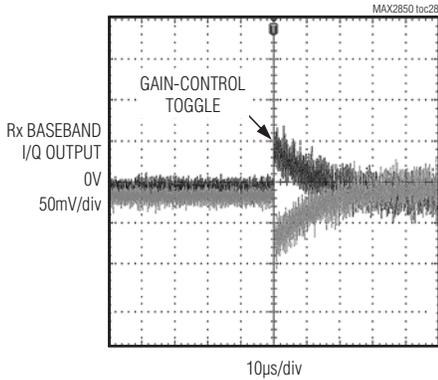


# 5GHz, 4-Channel MIMO Transmitter

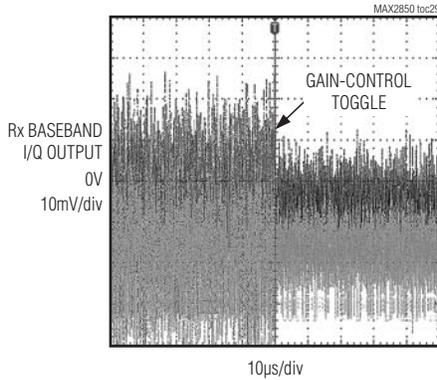
## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

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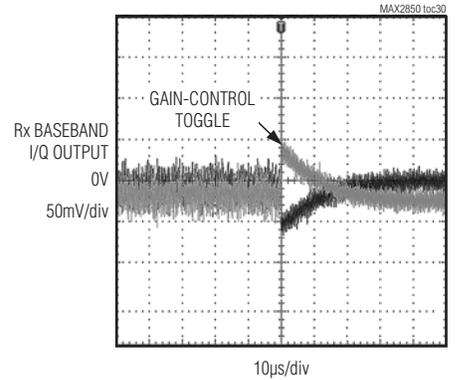
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(MAX TO MAX - 40dB LNA GAIN STEP)**



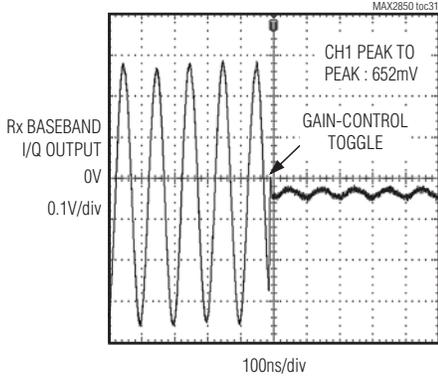
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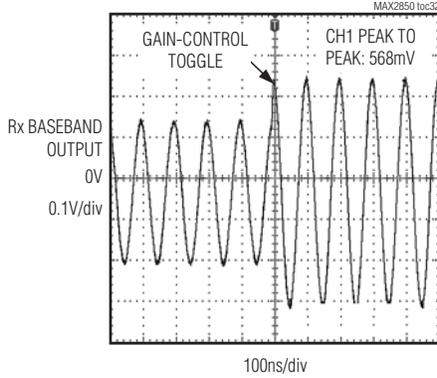
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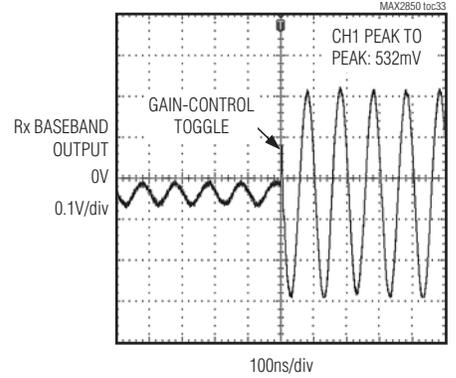
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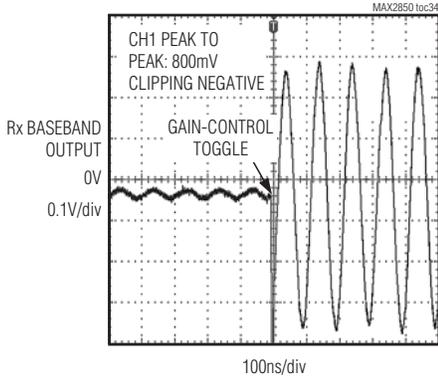
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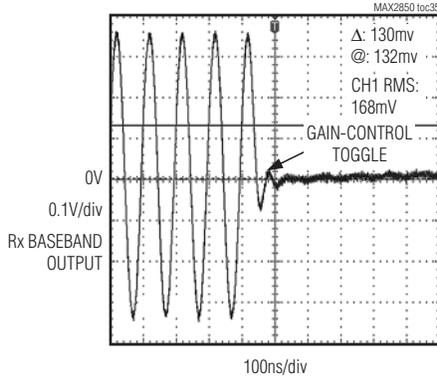
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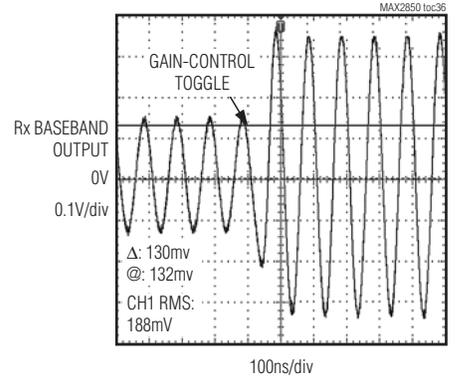
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VGA GAIN STEP)**



**Rx LNA SETTLING RESPONSE  
(MAX TO MAX - 40dB GAIN STEP)**



**Rx LNA SETTLING RESPONSE  
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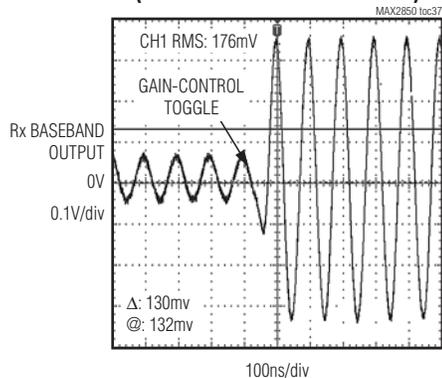


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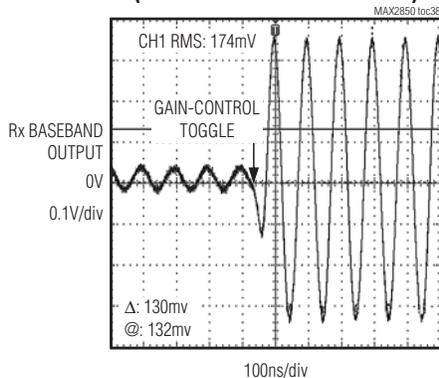
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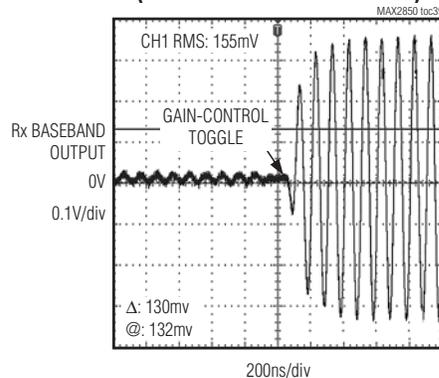
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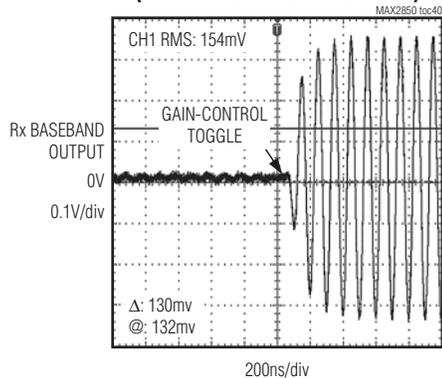
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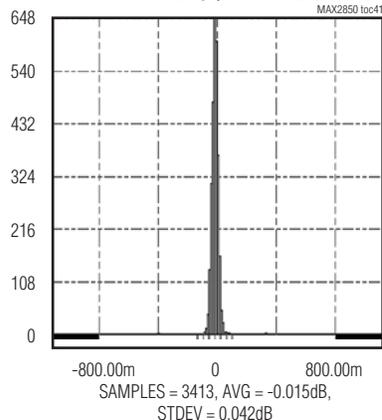
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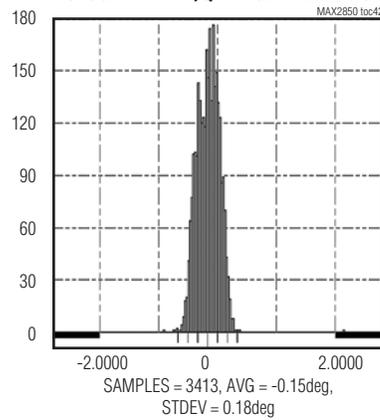
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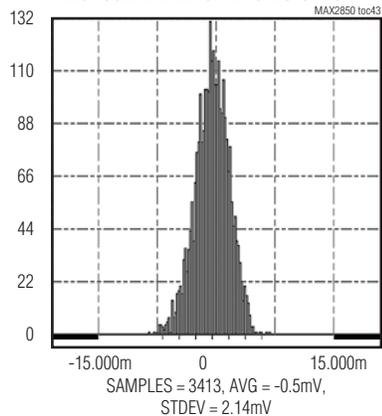
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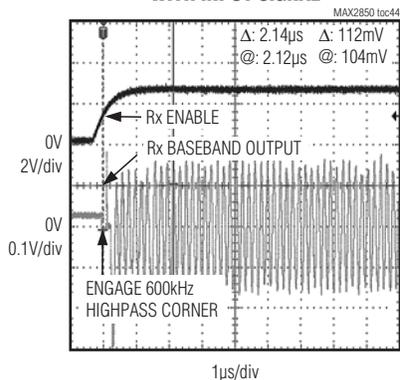
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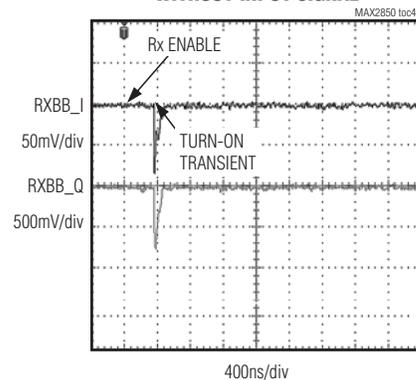
**HISTOGRAM: Rx STATIC DC OFFSET**



**POWER-ON DC OFFSET CANCELLATION WITH INPUT SIGNAL**



**POWER-ON DC OFFSET CANCELLATION WITHOUT INPUT SIGNAL**

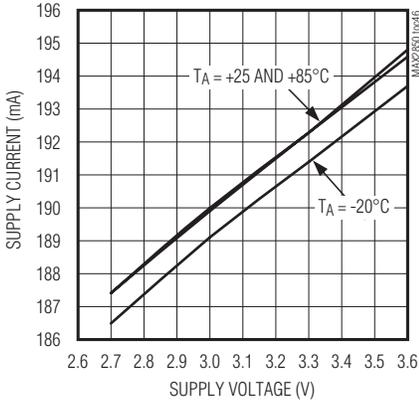


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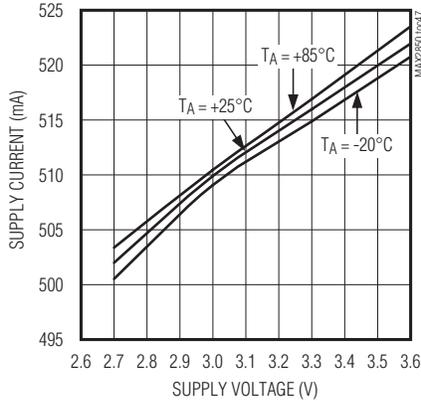
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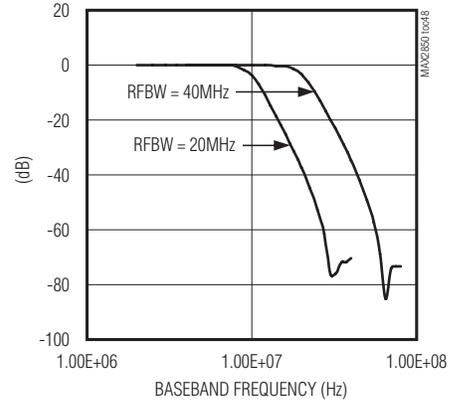
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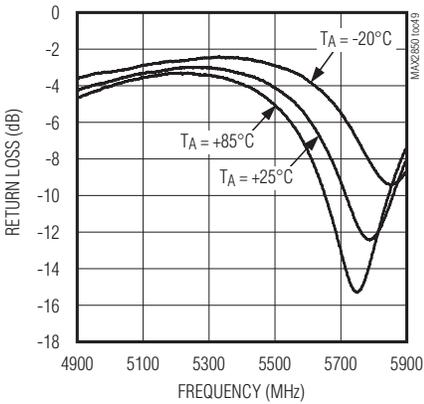
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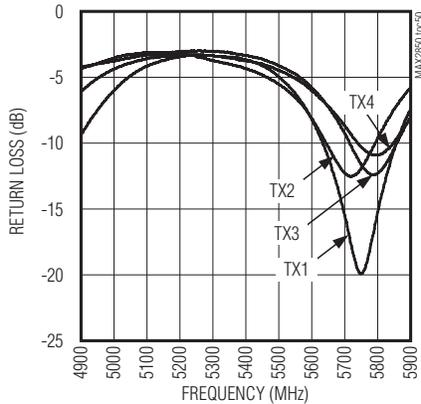
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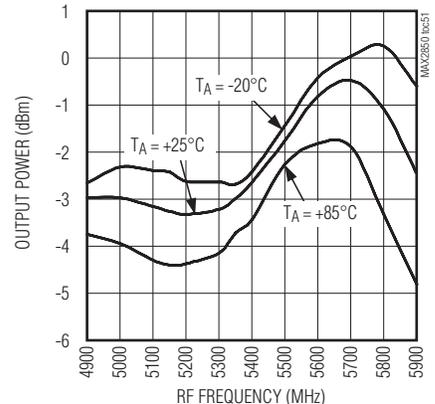
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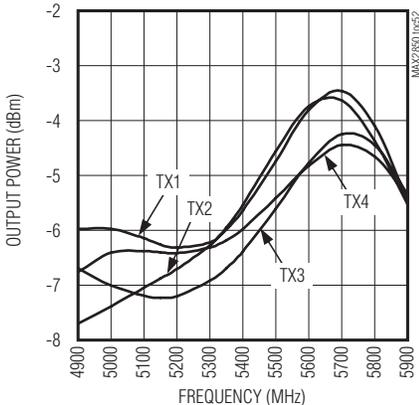
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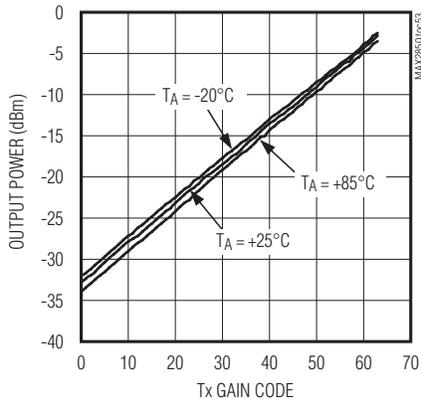
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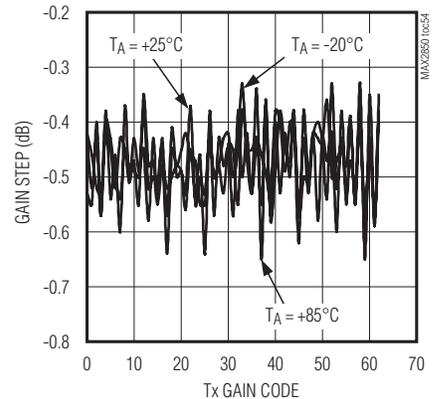
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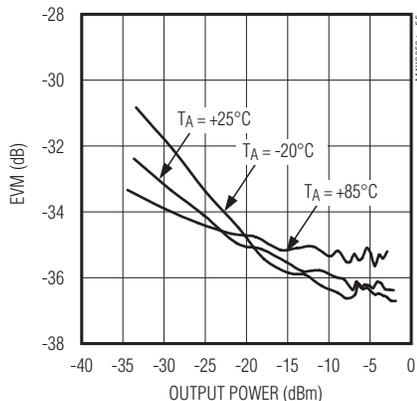


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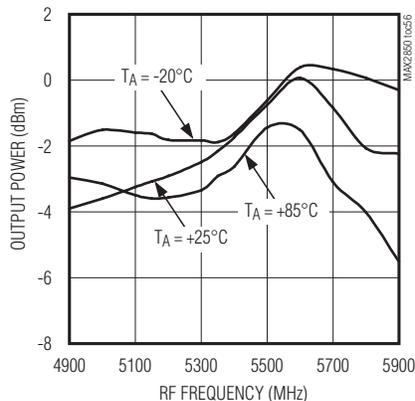
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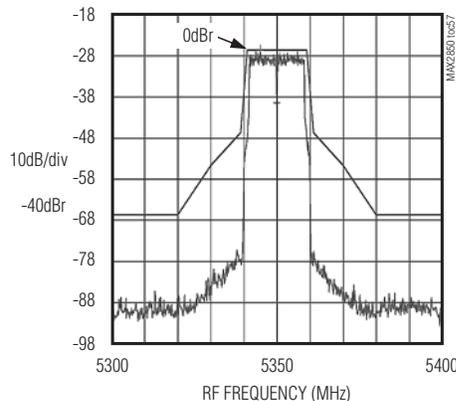
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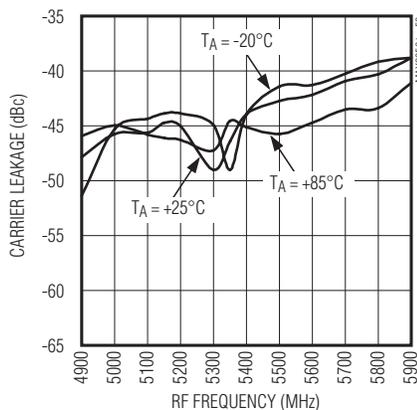
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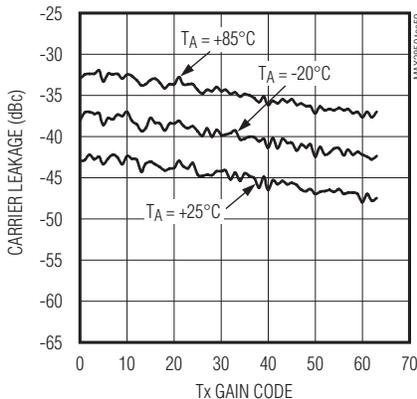
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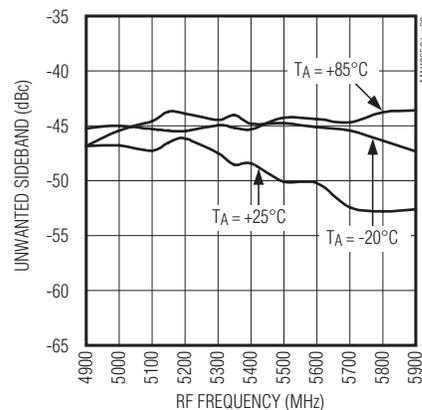
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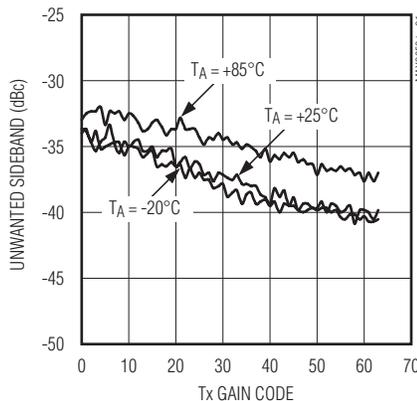
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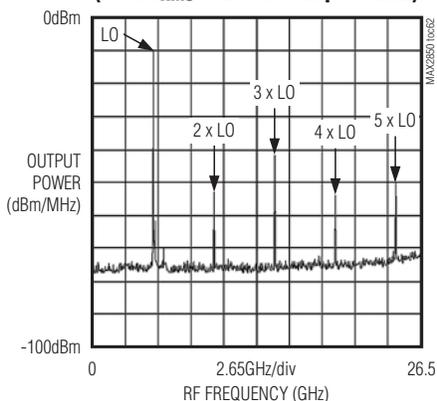
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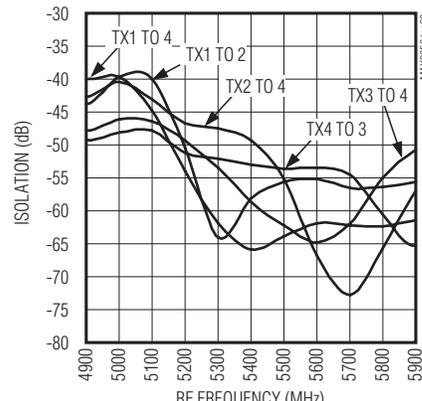
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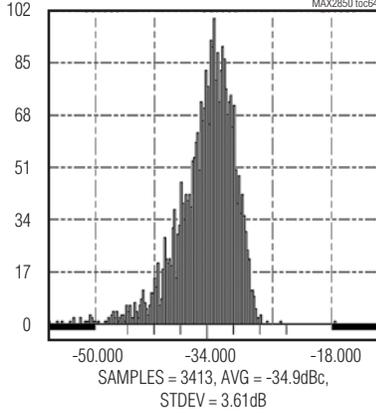


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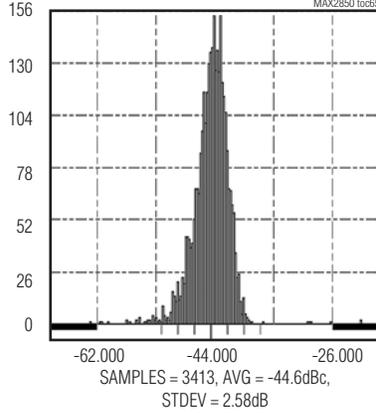
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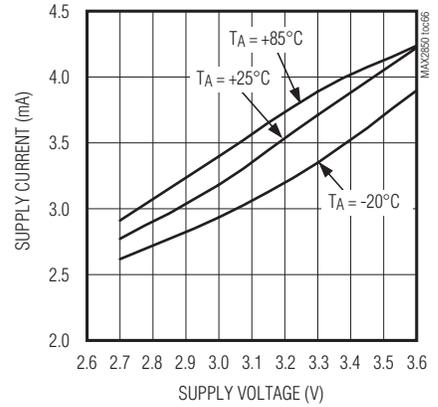
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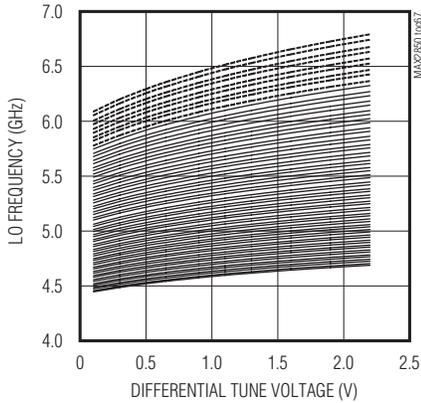
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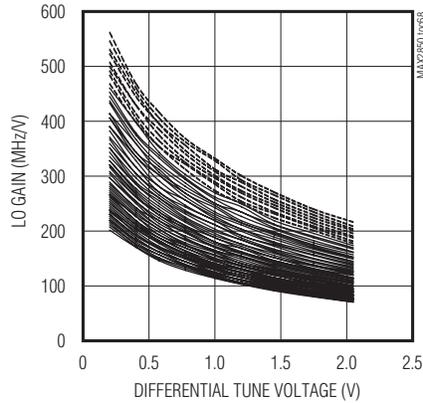
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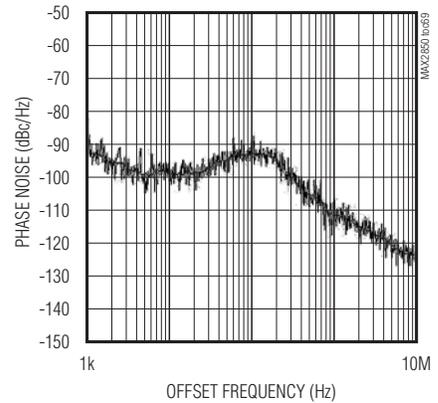
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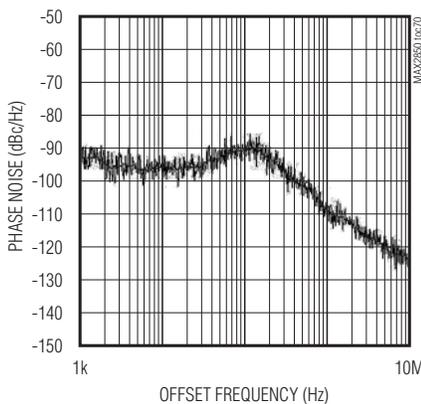
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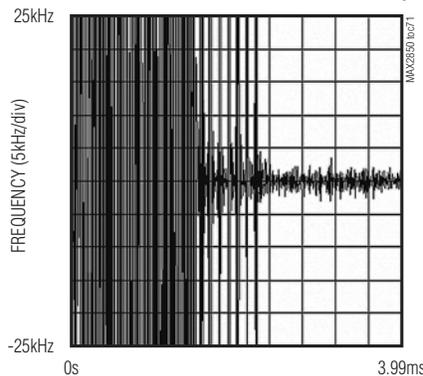
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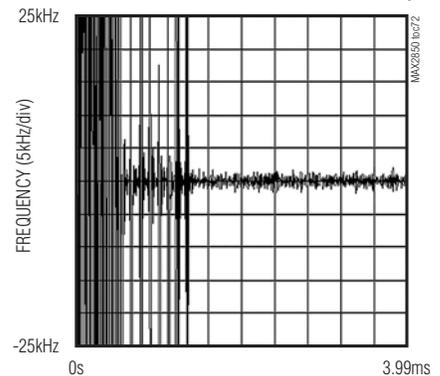
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**CHANNEL SWITCHING FREQUENCY SETTLING (4900MHz TO 5900MHz, AUTOMATIC VCO SUB-BAND SELECTION)**



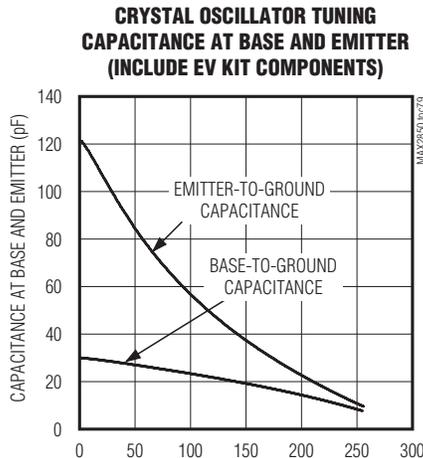
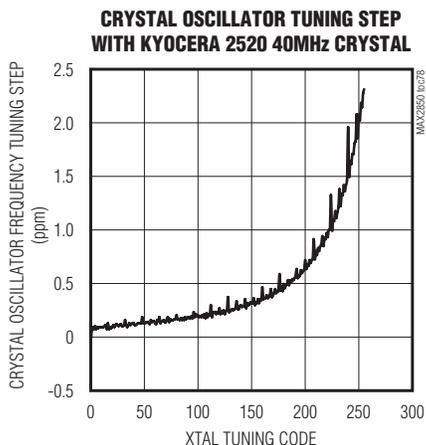
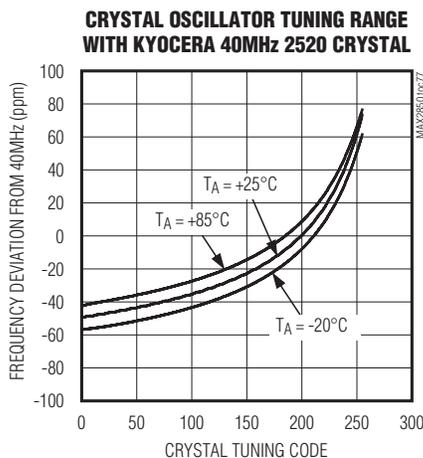
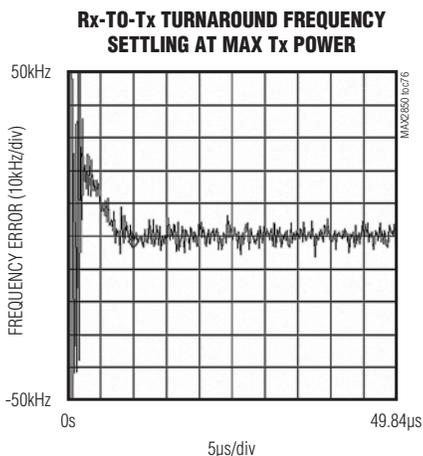
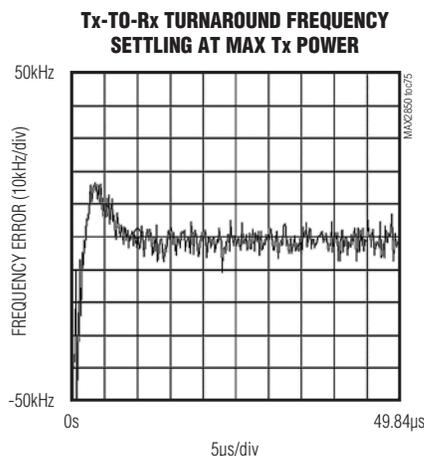
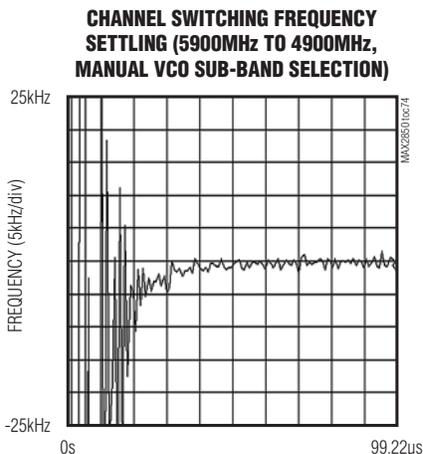
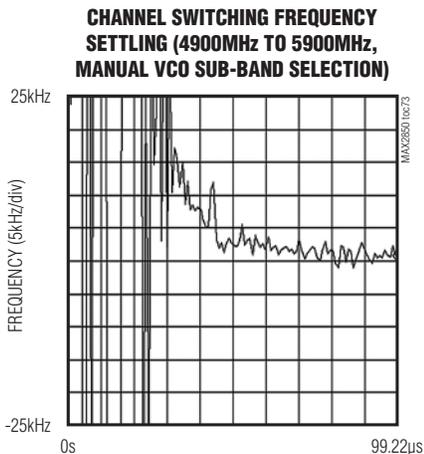
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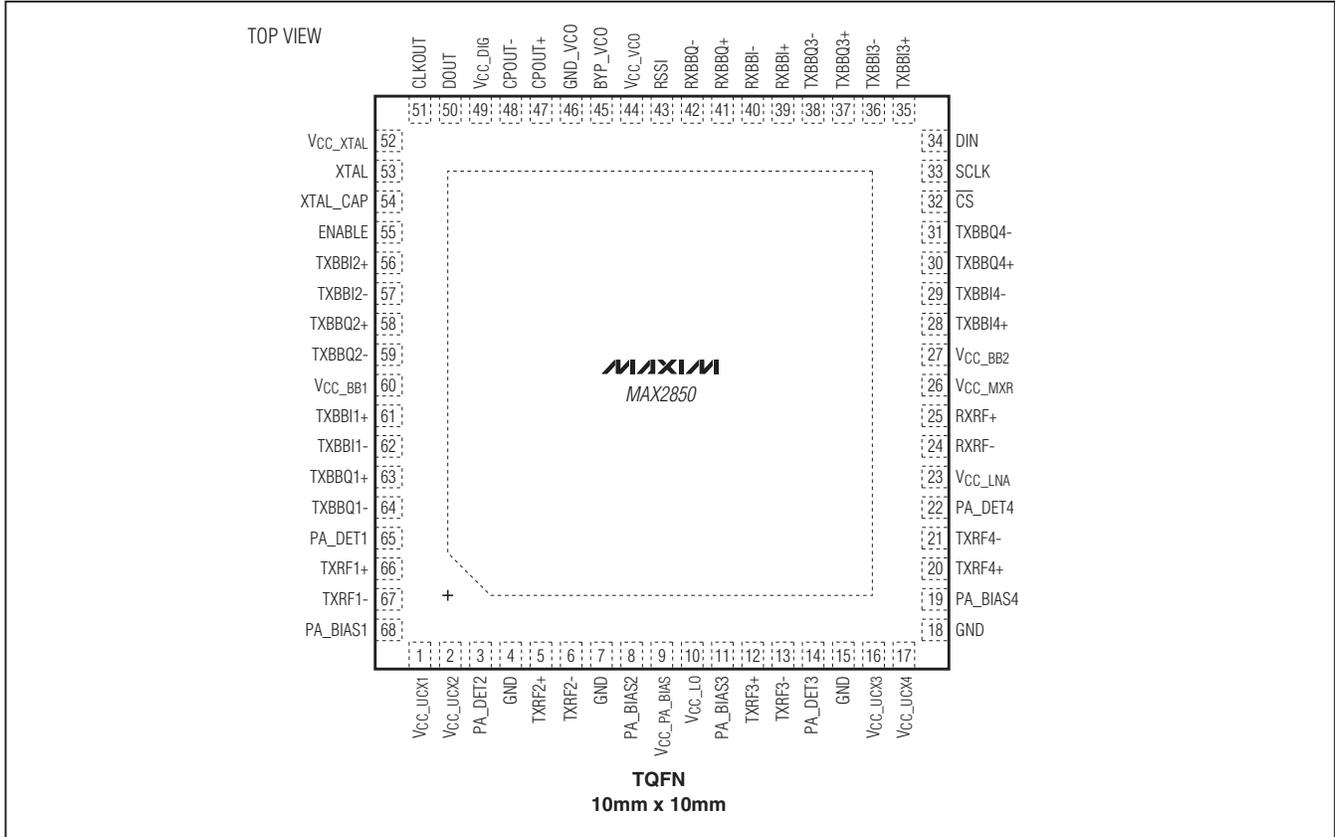
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## Pin Configuration



## Pin Description

| PIN | NAME        | FUNCTION   |
|-----|-------------|--|
| 1   | VCC_UCX1    | Transmitter 1 Upconverter Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 2   | VCC_UCX2    | Transmitter 2 Upconverter Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 3   | PA_DET2     | External Power-Amplifier Detector Mux Input 2  |
| 4   | GND         | Ground   |
| 5   | TXRF2+      | Transmitter 2 Differential Output. These pins are in open-collector configuration. These pins should be biased at the supply voltage with differential impedance terminated at 300Ω. |
| 6   | TXRF2-      |  |
| 7   | GND         | Ground   |
| 8   | PA_BIAS2    | External Power-Amplifier Voltage Bias Output 2   |
| 9   | VCC_PA_BIAS | External Power-Amplifier Voltage Bias and Detector Mux Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.  |
| 10  | VCC_LO      | LO Generation Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 11  | PA_BIAS3    | External Power-Amplifier Voltage Bias Output 3   |
| 12  | TXRF3+      | Transmitter 3 Differential Output. These pins are in open-collector configuration. These pins should be biased at the supply voltage with differential impedance terminated at 300Ω. |
| 13  | TXRF3-      |  |
| 14  | PA_DET3     | External Power Amplifier Detector Mux Input 3  |

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## Pin Description (continued)

| PIN | NAME                   | FUNCTION   |
|-----|------------------------|--|
| 15  | GND                    | Ground   |
| 16  | VCC_UCX3               | Transmitter 3 Upconverter Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 17  | VCC_UCX4               | Transmitter 4 Upconverter Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 18  | GND                    | Ground   |
| 19  | PA_BIAS4               | External Power-Amplifier Voltage Bias Output 4   |
| 20  | TXRF4+                 | Transmitter 4 Differential Output. These pins are in open-collector configuration. These pins should be biased at the supply voltage with differential impedance terminated at 300Ω. |
| 21  | TXRF4-                 |  |
| 22  | PA_DET4                | External Power-Amplifier Detector Mux Input 4  |
| 23  | VCC_LNA                | Receiver LNA Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.  |
| 24  | RXRF-                  | Receiver LNA Differential Input. Input is DC-coupled and biased internally at 1.2V.  |
| 25  | RXRF+                  |  |
| 26  | VCC_MXR                | Receiver Downconverter Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.  |
| 27  | VCC_BB2                | Receiver Baseband Supply Voltage 2. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 28  | TXBBI4+                | Transmitter 4 Baseband I-Channel Differential Input  |
| 29  | TXBBI4-                |  |
| 30  | TXBBQ4+                | Transmitter 4 Baseband Q-Channel Differential Input  |
| 31  | TXBBQ4-                |  |
| 32  | $\overline{\text{CS}}$ | Chip-Select Logic Input of 4-Wire Serial Interface   |
| 33  | SCLK                   | Serial-Clock Logic Input of 4-Wire Serial Interface  |
| 34  | DIN                    | Data Logic Input of 4-Wire Serial Interface  |
| 35  | TXBBI3+                | Transmitter 3 Baseband I-Channel Differential Input  |
| 36  | TXBBI3-                |  |
| 37  | TXBBQ3+                | Transmitter 3 Baseband Q-Channel Differential Input  |
| 38  | TXBBQ3-                |  |
| 39  | RXBBI+                 | Receiver Baseband I-Channel Differential Output  |
| 40  | RXBBI-                 |  |
| 41  | RXBBQ+                 | Receiver Baseband Q-Channel Differential Output  |
| 42  | RXBBQ-                 |  |
| 43  | RSSI                   | Receiver Signal-Strength Indicator Output  |
| 44  | VCC_VCO                | VCO Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 45  | BYP_VCO                | On-Chip VCO Regulator Output Bypass. Bypass with an external 1μF capacitor to GND_VCO with minimum PCB trace. Do not connect other circuitry to this pin.                            |
| 46  | GND_VCO                | VCO Ground   |
| 47  | CPOUT+                 | Differential Charge-Pump Output. Connect the frequency synthesizer's loop filter between CPOUT+ and CPOUT- (see the <i>Typical Operating Circuit</i> ).                              |
| 48  | CPOUT-                 |  |
| 49  | VCC_DIG                | Digital Block Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 50  | DOUT                   | Data Logic Output of 4-Wire Serial Interface   |
| 51  | CLKOUT                 | Reference Clock Buffer Output  |
| 52  | VCC_XTAL               | Crystal Oscillator Supply Voltage. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.  |
| 53  | XTAL                   | Crystal Oscillator Base Input. AC-couple crystal unit to this pin.   |
| 54  | XTAL_CAP               | Crystal Oscillator Emitter Node  |
| 55  | ENABLE                 | Enable Logic Input   |

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## Pin Description (continued)

| PIN | NAME     | FUNCTION   |
|-----|----------|--|
| 56  | TXBBI2+  | Transmitter 2 Baseband I-Channel Differential Input  |
| 57  | TXBBI2-  |  |
| 58  | TXBBQ2+  | Transmitter 2 Baseband Q-Channel Differential Input  |
| 59  | TXBBQ2-  |  |
| 60  | VCC_BB1  | Receiver Baseband Supply Voltage 1. Bypass with a capacitor as close as possible to the pin.   |
| 61  | TXBBI1+  | Transmitter 1 Baseband I-Channel Differential Input  |
| 62  | TXBBI1-  |  |
| 63  | TXBBQ1+  | Transmitter 1 Baseband Q-Channel Differential Input  |
| 64  | TXBBQ1-  |  |
| 65  | PA_DET1  | External Power-Amplifier Detector Mux Input 1  |
| 66  | TXRF1+   | Transmitter 1 Differential Output. These pins are in open-collector configuration. These pins should be biased at the supply voltage with differential impedance terminated at 300Ω. |
| 67  | TXRF1-   |  |
| 68  | PA_BIAS1 | External Power-Amplifier Voltage Bias Output 1   |
| —   | EP       | Exposed Pad. Connect to the ground plane with multiple vias for proper operation and heat dissipation. Do not share with any other pin grounds and bypass capacitors' ground.        |

**Table 1. Operating Modes**

| MODE                     | MODE CONTROL LOGIC INPUTS |                           | CIRCUIT BLOCK STATES |                  |         |                 |                              |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|------------------|---------|-----------------|------------------------------|
|                          | ENABLE PIN                | SPI MAIN ADDRESS 0, D4:D2 | Rx PATH              | Tx PATH (Note 4) | LO PATH | CLKOUT (Note 5) | Calibration Sections On      |
| <b>SHUTDOWN</b>          | 0                         | XXX                       | Off                  | Off              | Off     | Off             | None                         |
| <b>CLKOUT</b>            | 1                         | 000                       | Off                  | Off              | Off     | On              | None                         |
| <b>STANDBY</b>           | 1                         | 001                       | Off                  | Off              | On      | On              | None                         |
| <b>Rx</b>                | 1                         | 010                       | On                   | Off              | On      | On              | None                         |
| <b>Tx</b>                | 1                         | 011                       | Off                  | On               | On      | On              | None                         |
| <b>Tx CALIBRATION</b>    | 1                         | 100                       | Off                  | On               | On      | On              | AM detector + Rx I/Q buffers |
| <b>RF LOOPBACK</b>       | 1                         | 101                       | On (except LNA)      | On               | On      | On              | RF loopback                  |
| <b>BASEBAND LOOPBACK</b> | 1                         | 11X                       | On (except RXRF)     | Off              | On      | On              | Tx 4 baseband buffer         |

**Note 4:** PA\_BIAS pins may be kept active in nontransmit mode(s) by SPI programming.

**Note 5:** CLKOUT signal is active independent of SPI, and is only dependent on the ENABLE pin.

## Detailed Description

### Modes of Operation

The modes of operation for the MAX2850 are shutdown, clockout, standby, receive, transmit, transmitter calibration, RF loopback, and baseband loopback. See Table 1 for a summary of the modes of operation. The logic input

pin ENABLE (pin 55) and SPI Main address 0 D4:D2 control the various modes.

### Shutdown Mode

The MAX2850 features a low-power shutdown mode. All circuit blocks are powered down, except the 4-wire serial bus and its internal programmable registers.

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## **Clockout Mode**

In clockout mode, only the crystal oscillator signal is active at the CLKOUT pin. The rest of the transceiver is powered down.

## **Standby Mode**

In standby mode, PLL, VCO, and LO generation are on. Tx or Rx modes can be quickly enabled from this mode. Other blocks may be selectively enabled in this mode.

## **Receive (Rx) Mode**

In receive mode, all Rx circuit blocks are powered on and active. Antenna signal is applied; RF is downconverted, filtered, and buffered at Rx baseband I and Q outputs.

## **Transmit (Tx) Mode**

In transmit mode, all Tx circuit blocks are powered on and active. The external PA can be powered on through the PA\_BIAS pins after a programmable delay.

## **Transmit Calibration**

In transmit calibration mode, all Tx circuit blocks are powered on and active. The AM detector and receiver I/Q channel buffers are also on. Output signals are routed to Rx baseband I and Q outputs.

The AM detector multiplies the Tx RF output signal with itself. The self-mixing product of the wanted sideband becomes DC voltage and is filtered on-chip. The mixing product between wanted sideband and the carrier leakage forms  $F_{\text{tone}}$  at Rx baseband output. The mixing product between the wanted sideband and the unwanted sideband forms  $2F_{\text{tone}}$  at Rx baseband output.

As Tx RF output is self-mixed at the AM detector, the AM detector output responds differently to different gain settings and power levels. When Tx RF output power changes by 1dB through Tx gain control, the AM detector output changes by 2dB as both the wanted sideband and carrier leakage (or unwanted sideband) change by 1dB. When Tx RF output carrier leakage (or unwanted sideband) changes by 1dB while the wanted sideband output power is constant, the AM detector output changes by 1dB only.

## **RF Loopback**

In RF loopback mode, part of the Rx and Tx circuit blocks except the LNA are powered on and active. The transmitter 4 I/Q input signal is upconverted to RF, and the output of the transmitter is fed to the receiver down-converter input. Output signals are delivered to receiver

4 baseband I/Q outputs. The I/Q lowpass filters in the transmitter signal path are bypassed.

## **Baseband Loopback**

In baseband loopback mode, part of the Rx and Tx baseband circuit blocks are powered and active. The transmitter 4 I/Q input signal is routed to receiver low-pass filter input. Output signals are delivered to receiver 4 baseband I/Q outputs.

## **Power-On Sequence**

Set the ENABLE pin to  $V_{CC}$  for 2ms to start the crystal oscillator. Program all SPI addresses according to recommended values. Set SPI Main address 0 D4:D2 from 000 to 001 to engage standby mode. To lock the LO frequency, the user can set SPI in order of Main address 15, Main address 16, and then Main address 17 to trigger VCO sub-band autoacquisition; the acquisition will take 2ms. After the LO frequency is locked, set SPI Main address 0 D4:D2 = 010 and 011 for Rx and Tx operating modes, respectively. Before engaging Rx mode, set Main address 5 D1 = 1 to allow fast DC offset settling. After engaging Rx mode and Rx baseband DC offset settles, the user can set Main address 5 D1 = 0 to complete Rx DC offset cancellation.

## **Programmable Registers and 4-Wire SPI Interface**

The MAX2850 includes 60 programmable 16-bit registers. The most significant bit (MSB) is the read/write selection bit (R/W in Figure 1). The next 5 bits are register address (A4:A0 in Figure 1). The 10 least significant bits (LSBs) are register data (D9:D0 in Figure 1). Register data is loaded through the 4-wire SPI/MICROWIRE™-compatible serial interface. MSB of data at the DIN pin is shifted in first and is framed by  $\overline{CS}$ . When  $\overline{CS}$  is low, the clock is active, and input data is shifted at the rising edge of the clock at SCLK pin. At the  $\overline{CS}$  rising edge, the 10-bit data bits are latched into the register selected by address bits. See Figure 1. To support more than a 32-register address using a 5-bit wide address word, the bit 0 of address 0 is used to select whether the 5-bit address word is applied to the main address or local address. The register values are preserved in shutdown mode as long as the power-supply voltage is maintained. There is no power-on SPI register self-reset functionality in the MAX2850, so the user must program all register values after power-up. During the read mode, register data selected by address bits is shifted out to the DOUT pin at the falling edges of the clock.

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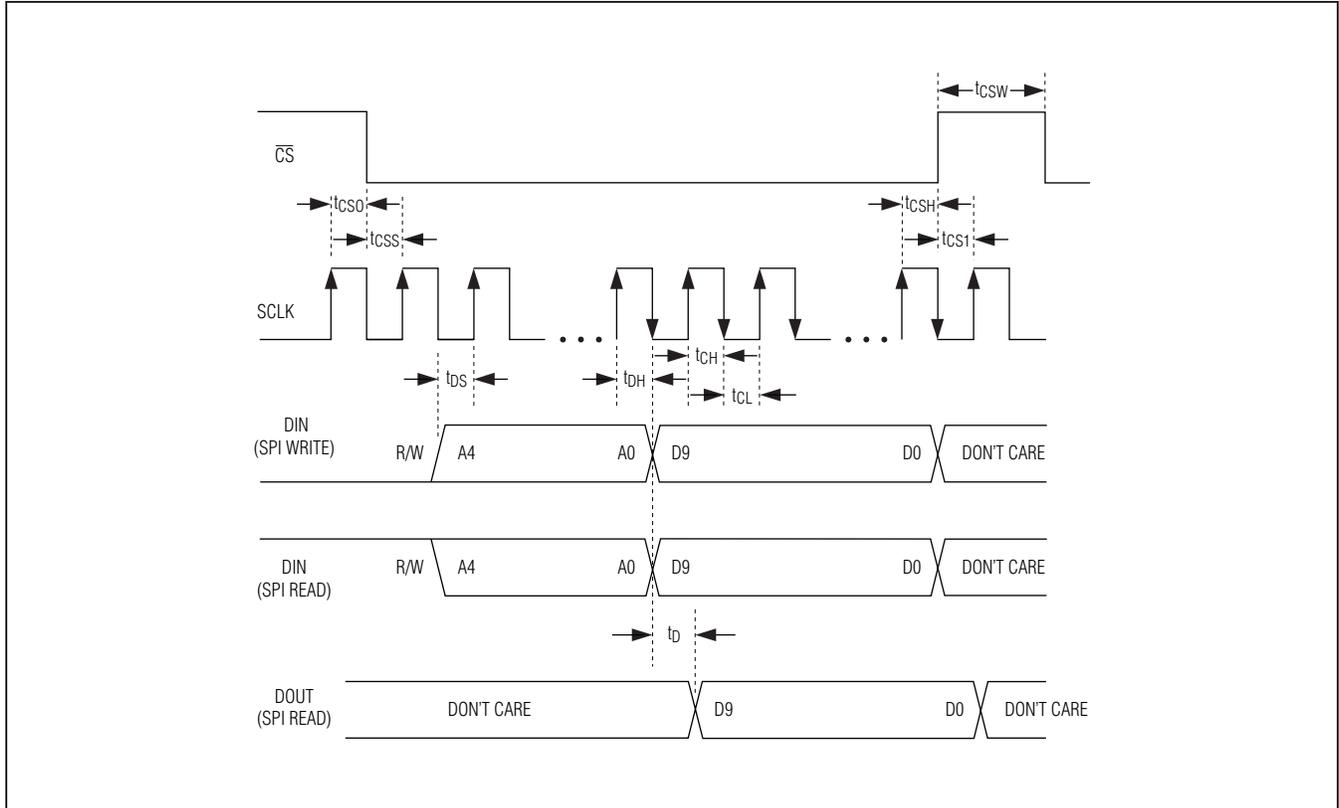


Figure 1. 4-Wire SPI Serial-Interface Timing Diagram

## SPI Register Definition

(All values in the register summary table are typical numbers. The MAX2850 SPI does not have a power-on-default self-reset feature; the user must program all SPI addresses for normal operation. Prior to use of any untested settings, contact the factory.)

Table 2. Register Summary

| REGISTER | READ/WRITE AND ADDRESS |       |                        | DATA     |           |               |               |          |              |           |          |          |          |         |
|----------|------------------------|-------|------------------------|----------|-----------|---------------|---------------|----------|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
|          | Main0_D0               | A4:A0 | WRITE (W)/<br>READ (R) | D9       | D8        | D7            | D6            | D5       | D4           | D3        | D2       | D1       | D0       |         |
| Main0    | 0                      | 00000 | W/R                    | RESERVED | E_TX<4:1> |               |               |          |              | MODE<2:0> |          |          | RFBW     | M/L_SEL |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0        | 1         | 1             | 1             | 1        | 0            | 0         | 0        | 1        | 0        |         |
| Main1    | 0                      | 00001 | W/R                    | RESERVED | RESERVED  | LNA_GAIN<2:0> |               |          | RX_VGA<4:0>  |           |          |          |          |         |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0        | 0         | 1             | 1             | 1        | 1            | 1         | 1        | 1        | 1        |         |
| Main2    | 0                      | 00010 | W/R                    | RESERVED | RESERVED  | RESERVED      | LNA_BAND<1:0> |          | RESERVED     | RESERVED  | RESERVED | RESERVED | RESERVED |         |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0        | 1         | 1             | 0             | 1        | 0            | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        |         |
| Main3    | 0                      | 00011 | W                      | RESERVED | RESERVED  | TS_EN         | TS_TRIG       | RESERVED | RESERVED     | RESERVED  | RESERVED | RESERVED | RESERVED |         |
|          |                        |       | R                      | RESERVED | RESERVED  |               |               | RESERVED | TS_READ<4:0> |           |          |          |          |         |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0        | 0         | 0             | 0             | 0        | 0            | 0         | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0       |

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**Table 2. MAX2850 Register Summary (continued)**

| REGISTER | READ/WRITE AND ADDRESS |       |                        | DATA                |                   |                |               |                   |                       |                  |          |                 |          |
|----------|------------------------|-------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|----------|-----------------|----------|
|          | Main0_D0               | A4:A0 | WRITE (W)/<br>READ (R) | D9                  | D8                | D7             | D6            | D5                | D4                    | D3               | D2       | D1              | D0       |
| Main4    | 0                      | 00100 | Reserved               | 1                   | 1                 | 0              | 0             | 0                 | 1                     | 1                | 1        | 0               | 0        |
| Main5    | 0                      | 00101 | W/R                    | RESERVED            | RSSI_MUX_SEL<2:0> |                |               | RESERVED          | RESERVED              | RESERVED         | RESERVED | RXHP            | RESERVED |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main6    | 0                      | 00110 | Reserved               | 1                   | 1                 | 1              | 1             | 1                 | 0                     | 1                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main7    | 0                      | 00111 | Reserved               | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 1                 | 0                     | 0                | 1        | 0               | 0        |
| Main8    | 0                      | 01000 | W/R                    | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main9    | 0                      | 01001 | W/R                    | TX_GAIN<5:0>        |                   |                |               |                   | TX_GAIN_PROG_SEL<4:1> |                  |          |                 |          |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 1        | 1               | 1        |
| Main10   | 0                      | 01010 | Reserved               | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main11   | 0                      | 01011 | W/R                    | RESERVED            | RESERVED          | RESERVED       | RESERVED      | RESERVED          | RESERVED              | E_TX_AMD<1:0>    |          | PA_DET_SEL<1:0> |          |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 1             | 1                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main13   | 0                      | 01101 | Reserved               | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main14   | 0                      | 01110 | W/R                    | RESERVED            | RESERVED          | RESERVED       | RESERVED      | RESERVED          | RESERVED              | RESERVED         | RESERVED | DOUT_SEL        | RESERVED |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 1                 | 0              | 1             | 1                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main15   | 0                      | 01111 | W/R                    | VAS_TRIG_EN         | RESERVED          |                |               | SYN_CONFIG_N<6:0> |                       |                  |          |                 |          |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 1                   | 0                 | 0              | 1             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 1        |
| Main16   | 0                      | 10000 | W/R                    | SYN_CONFIG_F<19:10> |                   |                |               |                   |                       |                  |          |                 |          |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 1                   | 1                 | 1              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main17   | 0                      | 10001 | W/R                    | SYN_CONFIG_F<9:0>   |                   |                |               |                   |                       |                  |          |                 |          |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main18   | 0                      | 10010 | W/R                    | RESERVED            | RESERVED          | XTAL_TUNE<7:0> |               |                   |                       |                  |          |                 |          |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 0                 | 1              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main19   | 0                      | 10011 | W/R                    | RESERVED            | RESERVED          | VAS_RELOCK_SEL | VAS_MODE      | VAS_SPI<5:0>      |                       |                  |          |                 |          |
|          |                        |       | Read                   | VAS_ADC<2:0>        |                   |                | VCO_BAND<5:0> |                   |                       |                  |          |                 |          |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 1             | 0                 | 1                     | 1                | 1        | 1               | 1        |
| Main20   | 0                      | 10100 | Reserved               | 0                   | 1                 | 1              | 1             | 1                 | 0                     | 1                | 0        | 1               | 0        |
| Main21   | 0                      | 10101 | Read                   | RESERVED            | RESERVED          | DIE_ID<2:0>    |               |                   | RESERVED              | RESERVED         | RESERVED | RESERVED        | RESERVED |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 0                 | 1              | 0             | 1                 | 1                     | 1                | 1        | 1               | 1        |
| Main22   | 0                      | 10110 | Reserved               | 0                   | 1                 | 1              | 0             | 1                 | 1                     | 1                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main23   | 0                      | 10111 | Reserved               | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 1             | 1                 | 0                     | 0                | 1        | 0               | 1        |
| Main24   | 0                      | 11000 | Reserved               | 1                   | 0                 | 0              | 1             | 0                 | 0                     | 1                | 1        | 1               | 1        |
| Main25   | 0                      | 11001 | Reserved               | 1                   | 1                 | 1              | 0             | 1                 | 0                     | 1                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main26   | 0                      | 11010 | Reserved               | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 0             | 0                 | 1                     | 0                | 1        | 0               | 1        |
| Main27   | 0                      | 11011 | W/R                    | DIE_ID_READ         | RESERVED          | RESERVED       | RESERVED      | VAS_VCO_READ      | RESERVED              | RESERVED         | RESERVED | RESERVED        | RESERVED |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 1                 | 1              | 0             | 0                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 0        |
| Main28   | 0                      | 11100 | W/R                    | RESERVED            | RESERVED          | RESERVED       | RESERVED      | RESERVED          | RESERVED              | PA_BIAS_DLY<3:0> |          |                 |          |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0                   | 0                 | 0              | 1             | 1                 | 0                     | 0                | 0        | 0               | 1        |

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**Table 2. MAX2850 Register Summary (continued)**

| REGISTER | READ/WRITE AND ADDRESS |       |                        | DATA     |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |                |                         |
|----------|------------------------|-------|------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------------|-------------------------|
|          | Main0_D0               | A4:A0 | WRITE (W)/<br>READ (R) | D9       | D8       | D7       | D6       | D5       | D4       | D3       | D2       | D1             | D0                      |
| Main29   | 0                      | 11101 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Main30   | 0                      | 11110 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Main31   | 0                      | 11111 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local1   | 1                      | 00001 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local2   | 1                      | 00010 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local3   | 1                      | 00011 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local4   | 1                      | 00100 | Reserved               | 1        | 1        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local5   | 1                      | 00101 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local6   | 1                      | 00110 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local7   | 1                      | 00111 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local8   | 1                      | 01000 | Reserved               | 0        | 1        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1              | 0                       |
| Local9   | 1                      | 01001 | Reserved               | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local10  | 1                      | 01010 | Reserved               | 1        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local11  | 1                      | 01011 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 1        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 1              | 1                       |
| Local12  | 1                      | 01100 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local13  | 1                      | 01101 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local14  | 1                      | 01110 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local15  | 1                      | 01111 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local16  | 1                      | 10000 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local17  | 1                      | 10001 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local18  | 1                      | 10010 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local19  | 1                      | 10011 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local20  | 1                      | 10100 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local21  | 1                      | 10101 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local22  | 1                      | 10110 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local23  | 1                      | 10111 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local24  | 1                      | 11000 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 1        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local25  | 1                      | 11001 | Reserved               | 0        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1              | 1                       |
| Local26  | 1                      | 11010 | Reserved               | 0        | 1        | 0        | 1        | 1        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0              | 1                       |
| Local27  | 1                      | 11011 | W/R                    | RESERVED | TX_AMD_BB_GAIN | TX_AMD_RF_GAIN<br><1:0> |
|          |                        |       | Default                | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local28  | 1                      | 11100 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 1        | 0              | 0                       |
| Local31  | 1                      | 11111 | Reserved               | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0        | 0              | 0                       |

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**Table 3. Main Address 0: (A4:A0 = 00000)**

| BIT NAME  | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|-----------|----------------------------|--|
| RESERVED  | D9                         | Reserved bits; set to default  |
| E_TX<4:1> | D8:D5                      | <b>Tx MIMO Channel Select</b><br>Select Tx channels independently.<br>0 = Not select<br>1 = Select in Tx, Tx calibration, or RF loopback modes<br>1111 = Default             |
| MODE<2:0> | D4:D2                      | <b>IC Operating Mode Select</b><br>000 = Clockout (default)<br>001 = Standby<br>010 = Rx<br>011 = Tx<br>100 = Tx calibration<br>101 = RF loopback<br>11x = Baseband loopback |
| RFBW      | D1                         | <b>RF Bandwidth</b><br>0 = 20MHz<br>1 = 40MHz (default)  |
| M/L_SEL   | D0                         | <b>Main or Local Address Select</b><br>0 = Main registers (default)<br>1 = Local registers   |

**Table 4. Main Address 1: (A4:A0 = 00001, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME      | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|---------------|----------------------------|--|
| RESERVED      | D9:D8                      | Reserved bits; set to default  |
| LNA_GAIN<2:0> | D7:D5                      | <b>LNA Gain Control</b><br>Active when Rx channel is selected by corresponding RX_PATH_UNMASK<5:1> bits in Main address 6 D9:D5.<br>000 = Maximum - 40dB<br>001 = Maximum - 32dB<br>100 = Maximum - 24dB<br>101 = Maximum - 16dB<br>110 = Maximum - 8dB<br>111 = Maximum gain (default)    |
| VGA_GAIN<4:0> | D4:D0                      | <b>Rx VGA Gain Control</b><br>Active when Rx channel is selected by corresponding RX_PATH_UNMASK<5:1> bits in Main address 6 D9:D5.<br>00000 = Minimum gain<br>00001 = Minimum + 2dB<br>...<br>01110 = Minimum + 28dB<br>01111 = Minimum + 30dB<br>...<br>1xxxx = Minimum + 30dB (default) |

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**Table 5. Main Address 2: (A4:A0 = 00010, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME      | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|---------------|----------------------------|--|
| RESERVED      | D9:D7                      | Reserved bits; set to default  |
| LNA_BAND<1:0> | D6:D5                      | <b>LNA Frequency Band Switch</b><br>00 = 4.9GHz~5.2GHz<br>01 = 5.2GHz~5.5GHz (default)<br>10 = 5.5GHz~5.8GHz<br>11 = 5.8GHz~5.9GHz |
| RESERVED      | D4:D0                      | Reserved bits; set to default  |

**Table 6. Main Address 3: (A4:A0 = 00011, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME     | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|--------------|----------------------------|---|
| RESERVED     | D9:D8                      | Reserved bits; set to default   |
| TS_EN        | D7                         | <b>Temperature Sensor Enable</b><br>0 = Disable (default)<br>1 = Enable except shutdown or clockout mode  |
| TS_TRIG      | D6                         | <b>Temperature Sensor Reading Trigger</b><br>0 = Not trigger (default)<br>1 = Trigger temperature reading |
| RESERVED     | D5                         | Reserved bits; set to default   |
| TS_READ<4:0> | D4:D0                      | SPI readback only.<br>Temperature sensor reading.   |

**Table 7. Main Address 5: (A4:A0 = 00101, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME          | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|-------------------|----------------------------|--|
| RESERVED          | D9                         | Reserved bits; set to default  |
| RSSI_MUX_SEL<2:0> | D8:D6                      | <b>RSSI Output Select</b><br>000 = Baseband RSSI (default)<br>001 = Do not use<br>010 = Do not use<br>011 = Do not use<br>100 = Rx RF detector<br>101 = Do not use<br>110 = PA power-detector mux output<br>111 = Do not use                                       |
| RESERVED          | D5:D2                      | Reserved bits, set to default  |
| RXHP              | D1                         | <b>Rx VGA Highpass Corner Select after Rx Turn-On</b><br>RXHP starts at 1 during Rx gain adjustment, and set to 0 after gain is adjusted.<br>0 = 10kHz highpass corner after Rx gain is adjusted (default)<br>1 = 600kHz highpass corner during Rx gain adjustment |
| RESERVED          | D0                         | Reserved bits; set to default  |

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**Table 8. Main Address 9: (A4:A0 = 01001, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME              | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|---|
| TX_GAIN<5:0>          | D9:D4                      | <b>Tx VGA Gain Control</b><br>Tx channel is selected by Main address 9 D3:D0.<br>000000 = Minimum gain (default)<br>...<br>111111 = Minimum gain + 31.5dB |
| TX_GAIN_PROG_SEL<4:1> | D3:D0                      | <b>Tx Channel Gain Programming Select</b><br>Gain is determined by Main address 9 D9:D4.<br>0 = Not selected<br>1 = Selected<br>1111 = Default            |

**Table 9. Main Address 11: (A4:A0 = 01011, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME        | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|-----------------|----------------------------|---|
| RESERVED        | D9:D4                      | Reserved bits; set to default   |
| E_TX_AMD<1:0>   | D3:D2                      | <b>Tx Calibration AM Detector Channel Select</b><br>Only active in Tx calibration mode.<br>00 = Select TX1 (default)<br>01 = Select TX2<br>10 = Select TX3<br>11 = Select TX4 |
| PA_DET_SEL<1:0> | D1:D0                      | <b>PA Power-Detector Mux Output Select</b><br>00 = Select PA_DET1 (default)<br>01 = Select PA_DET2<br>10 = Select PA_DET3<br>11 = Select PA_DET4                              |

**Table 10. Main Address 14: (A4:A0 = 01110, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|----------|----------------------------|--|
| RESERVED | D9:D2                      | Reserved bits; set to default  |
| DOUT_SEL | D1                         | <b>DOUT Pin Output Select</b><br>0 = PLL lock detect (default)<br>1 = SPI readback |
| RESERVED | D0                         | Reserved bits; set to default  |

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**Table 11. Main Address 15: (A4:A0 = 01111, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME          | BIT LOCATION (D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---|
| VAS_TRIG_EN       | D9                      | <b>Enable VCO Sub-Band Acquisition Triggered by SYN_CONFIG_F&lt;9:0&gt; (Main Address 17) Programming</b><br>0 = Disable for small frequency adjustment (i.e., ~100kHz)<br>1 = Enable for channel switching (default) |
| RESERVED          | D8:D7                   | Reserved bits; set to default   |
| SYN_CONFIG_N<6:0> | D6:D0                   | <b>Integer Divide Ratio</b><br>1000010 = Default  |

**Table 12. Main Address 16: (A4:A0 = 10000, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME            | BIT LOCATION (D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|---------------------|-------------------------|---|
| SYN_CONFIG_F<19:10> | D9:D0                   | <b>Fractional Divide Ratio MSBs</b><br>1110000000 = Default |

**Table 13. Main Address 17: (A4:A0 = 10001, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME          | BIT LOCATION (D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---|
| SYN_CONFIG_F<9:0> | D9:D0                   | <b>Fractional Divide Ratio LSBs</b><br>0000000000 = Default |

**Table 14. Main Address 18: (A4:A0 = 10010, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME       | BIT LOCATION (D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|----------------|-------------------------|--|
| RESERVED       | D9:D8                   | Reserved bits; set to default  |
| XTAL_TUNE<7:0> | D7:D0                   | <b>Crystal Oscillator Frequency Tuning</b><br>00000000 = Minimum frequency<br>10000000 = Default<br>11111111 = Maximum frequency |

**Table 15. Main Address 19: (A4:A0 = 10011, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME       | BIT LOCATION (D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|----------------|-------------------------|---|
| RESERVED       | D9:D8                   | Reserved bits; set to default   |
| VAS_RELOCK_SEL | D7                      | <b>VAS Relock Select</b><br>0 = Start at sub-band selected by VAS_SPI<5:0> (Main address 19 D5:D0) (default)<br>1 = Start at current sub-band |
| VAS_MODE       | D6                      | <b>VCO Subband Select</b><br>0 = By VAS_SPI<5:0> (Main address 19 D5:D0)<br>1 = By on-chip VCO autoselect (VAS) (default)                     |

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**Table 15. Main Address 19: (A4:A0 = 10011, Main Address 0 D0 = 0) (continued)**

| BIT NAME                         | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|
| VAS_SPI<5:0>                     | D5:D0                      | <b>VCO Autoselect Sub-Band Input</b><br>Select VCO sub-band when VAS_MODE (Main address 19 D6) = 0.<br>Select initial VCO sub-band for autoacquisition when VAS_MODE = 1.<br>000000 = Minimum frequency sub-band<br>...<br>011111 = Default<br>...<br>111111 = Maximum frequency sub-band   |
| VAS_ADC<2:0><br>(Readback Only)  | D8:D6                      | <b>Read VCO Autoselect Tune Voltage ADC Output</b><br>Active when VCO_VAS_RB (Main address 27 D5) = 1.<br>000 = Lower than lock range and at risk of unlock<br>001 = Lower than acquisition range and maintain lock<br>010 or 101 = Within acquisition range and maintain lock<br>110 = Higher than acquisition range and maintain lock<br>111 = Higher than lock range and at risk of unlock |
| VCO_BAND<5:0><br>(Readback Only) | D5:D0                      | <b>Read the Current Acquired VCO Sub-Band by VCO Autoselect</b><br>Active when VCO_VAS_RB (Main address 27 D5) = 1.   |

**Table 16. Main Address 21: (A4:A0 = 10101, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME                       | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|--------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| RESERVED                       | D9:D0                      | Reserved bits; set to default  |
| DIE_ID<2:0><br>(Readback Only) | D7:D5                      | <b>Read Revision ID at Main Address 21 D7:D5</b><br>Active when DIE_ID_READ (Main address 27 D9) = 1.<br>000 = Pass1<br>001 = Pass2<br>... |

**Table 17. Main Address 27: (A4:A0 = 11011, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)**

| BIT NAME     | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|--------------|----------------------------|--|
| DIE_ID_READ  | D9                         | <b>Die ID Readback Select</b><br>0 = Main address 21 D9:D0 reads its own values (default)<br>1 = Main address 21 D7:D5 reads revision ID   |
| RESERVED     | D8:D6                      | Reserved bits, set to default  |
| VAS_VCO_READ | D5                         | <b>VAS ADC and VCO Sub-Band Readback Select</b><br>0 = Main address 19 D9:D0 reads its own values (default).<br>1 = Main address 19 D8:D6 reads VAS_ADC<2:0>; Main address 19 D5:D0 reads VCO_BAND<5:0>. |
| RESERVED     | D4:D0                      | Reserved bits; set to default  |

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Table 18. Main Address 28: (A4:A0 = 11100, Main Address 0 D0 = 0)

| BIT NAME         | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION   |
|------------------|----------------------------|---|
| RESERVED         | D9:D4                      | Reserved bits; set to default   |
| PA_BIAS_DLY<3:0> | D3:D0                      | <b>PA_BIAS Turn-On Delay</b><br>0000 = 0 $\mu$ s<br>0001 = 0 $\mu$ s<br>0010 = 0.5 $\mu$ s<br>0011 = 1.0 $\mu$ s (default)<br>...<br>1111 = 7.0 $\mu$ s |

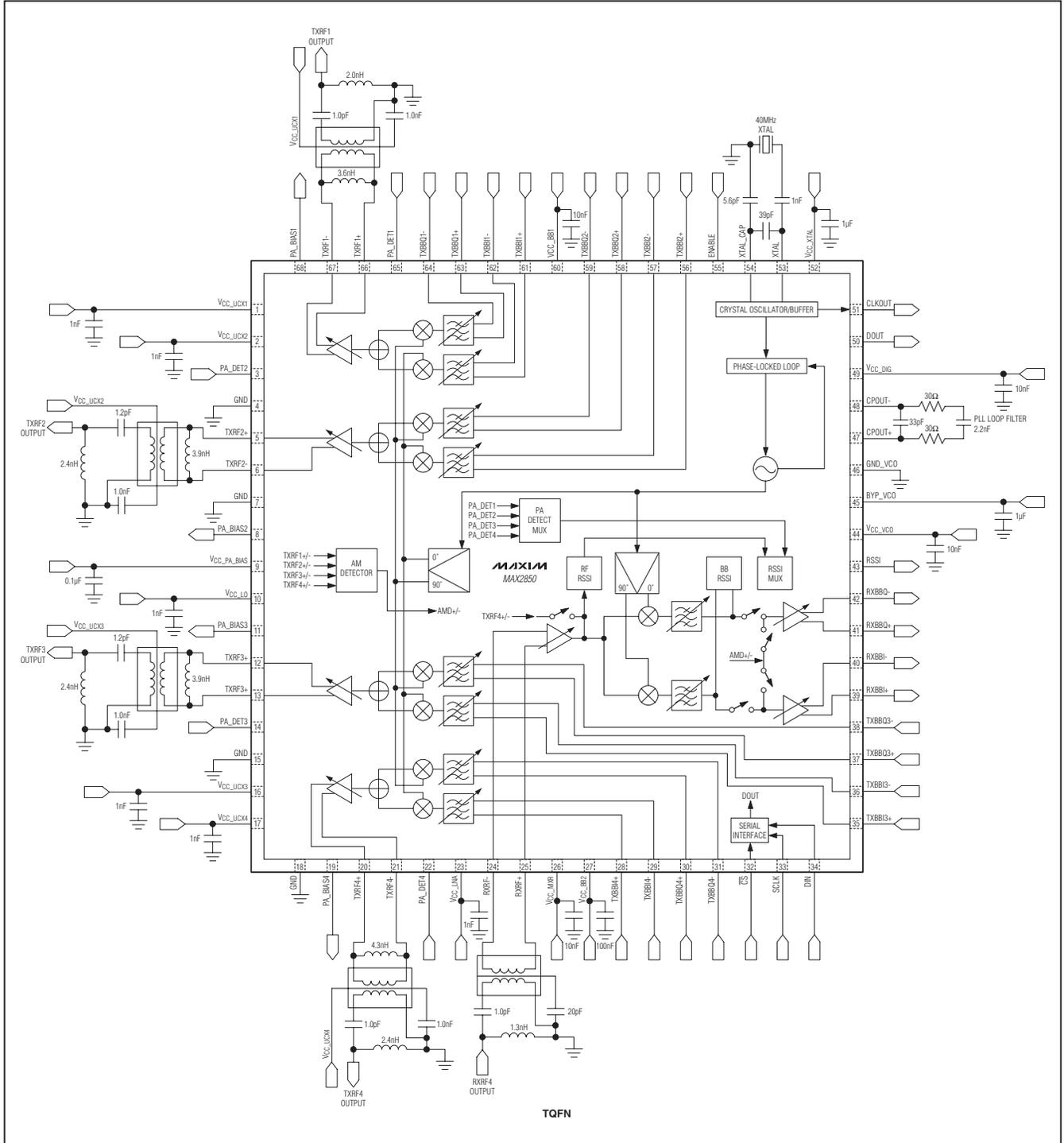
Table 19. Local Address 27: (A4:A0 = 11011, Main Address 0 D0 = 1)

| BIT NAME       | BIT LOCATION<br>(D0 = LSB) | DESCRIPTION  |
|----------------|----------------------------|--|
| RESERVED       | D9:D3                      | Reserved bits, set to default  |
| TX_AMD_BB_GAIN | D2                         | <b>Tx Calibration AM Detector Baseband Gain</b><br>0 = Minimum gain (default)<br>1 = Minimum gain + 5dB  |
| TX_AMD_RF_GAIN | D1:D0                      | <b>Tx Calibration AM Detector RF Gain</b><br>00 = Minimum gain (default)<br>01 = Minimum gain + 14dB rise at output<br>1x = Minimum gain + 28dB rise at output |

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