

### Product Description

The Qorvo TGC4610-SM is a K-Band Image Reject Downconverter. The TGC4610-SM operates over an RF frequency range of 17 to 27 GHz and LO from 6.5 to 15.5 GHz with IF outputs from DC to 4 GHz. This part is designed using Qorvo's pHEMT production process.

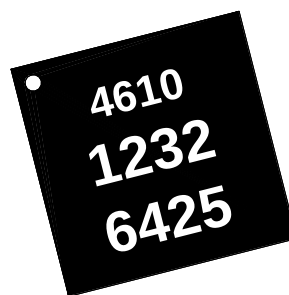
The TGC4610-SM integrates an LNA, and image reject mixer driven by a multiplier. It typically provides an Input IP3 of 3 dBm at -25 dBm input power per tone and has a conversion gain of 15 dB and noise figure of 2.5 dB or less.

The TGC4610-SM is available in a low-cost, surface mount 28 lead 5x5 mm QFN package and is ideally suited for Point-to-Point Radio, and K-Band VSAT Ground Terminal applications.

Lead-free and RoHS compliant.

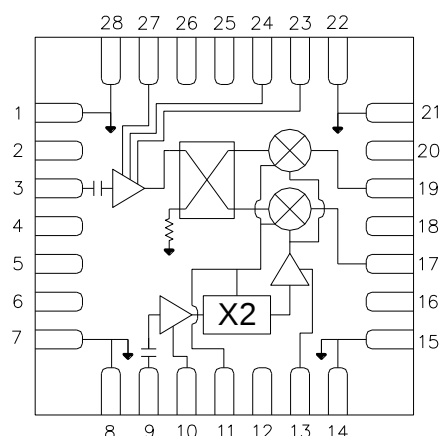
### Product Features

- RF Frequency Range: 17 – 27 GHz
- IF Frequency: DC – 4 GHz
- LO Frequency: 6.5 – 15.5 GHz
- LO Input Power: 2 to 9 dBm
- Conversion Gain: 15 dB
- Noise Figure:  $\leq 2.5$  dB
- Package Dimensions: 5.0 x 5.0 x 1.3 mm



28-pin 5x5 mm QFN package

### Function Block Diagram



### Applications

- VSAT
- Point-to-Point Radio
- Test Equipment & Sensors

### Ordering Information

| Part No.   | Description               |
|------------|---------------------------|
| TGC4610-SM | K-Band Downconverter      |
| TGC4610-SM | 1.3 - 2.45 GHz EVAL BOARD |
| TGC4610-SM | 2.5 - 4.0 GHz EVAL BOARD  |

Standard T/R size = 500 pieces on a 7" reel

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

| Parameter                            | Rating        |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| VDLNA                                | 6 V           |
| VDLO                                 | 6 V           |
| IDRF                                 | 150 mA        |
| IDLO                                 | 375 mA        |
| VGX, VGRF                            | -3 to 0 V     |
| Power Dissipation, Pdiss             | 1.6 W         |
| RF Input Power, CW, T = 25 °C        | 16.7 dBm      |
| Channel Temperature, T <sub>ch</sub> | 200 °C        |
| Mounting Temperature (30 sec)        | 260 °C        |
| Storage Temperature                  | -65 to 125 °C |

Operation of this device outside the parameter ranges given above may cause permanent damage.

## Recommended Operating Conditions

| Parameter                   | Min | Typ   | Max | Units |
|-----------------------------|-----|-------|-----|-------|
| Operating Temperature Range | -40 | +25   | +85 | °C    |
| VDRF                        |     | 3     |     | V     |
| IDRF                        |     | 68    |     | mA    |
| VDLO                        |     | 3     |     | V     |
| IDLO                        |     | 160   |     | mA    |
| VGRF                        |     | -0.65 |     | V     |
| VGX                         |     | -1.1  |     | V     |
| LO Input Power              | 2   |       | 9   | dBm   |

Electrical specifications are measured at specified test conditions. Specifications are not guaranteed over all recommended operating conditions.

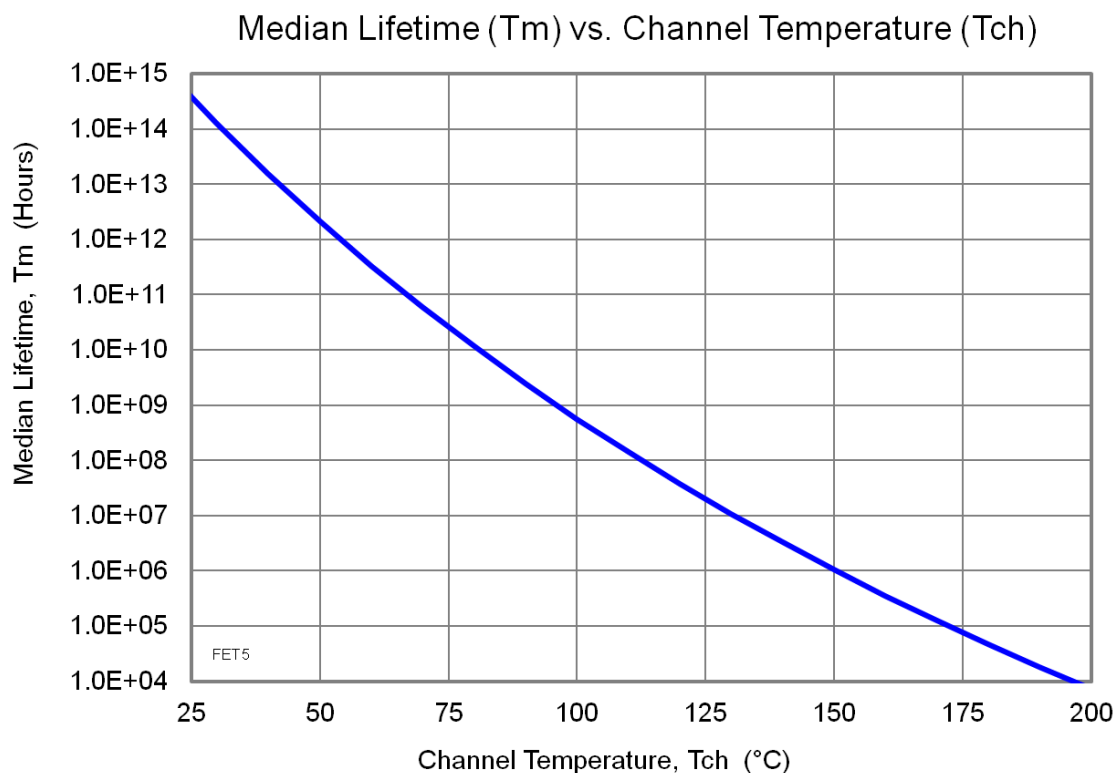
## Electrical Specifications

Test conditions unless otherwise noted: RF Input Power = -25 dBm, LO Input Power = 5.5 dBm, VGX = -1.1 V, VDLO = 3 V, IDLO = 160 mA, VDRF = 3 V, IDRF = 68 mA., VGRF = -0.65 V

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| LO Frequency Range                       |              | 6.5  |     | 15.5 | GHz   |
| IF Frequency Range                       |              | DC   |     | 4    | GHz   |
| LO Input Power                           |              | 2    | 5.5 | 9    | dBm   |
| Drain Current, LO (IDLO)                 |              |      | 160 |      | mA    |
| Drain Current, RF (IDRF)                 |              |      | 68  |      | mA    |
| Conversion Gain                          |              | 11.5 | 15  | 18.5 | dB    |
| Input Third Order Intercept Point (IIP3) | 18 to 24 GHz | 0    | 3   |      | dBm   |
|                                          | 24 to 28 GHz | -2   | 2   |      |       |
| Image Rejection (IMR)                    |              |      | 20  |      | dB    |
| Noise Figure                             |              |      | 2.5 |      | dB    |

## Thermal and Reliability Information

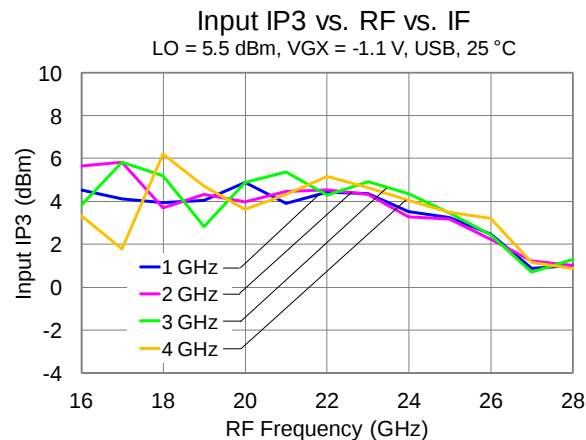
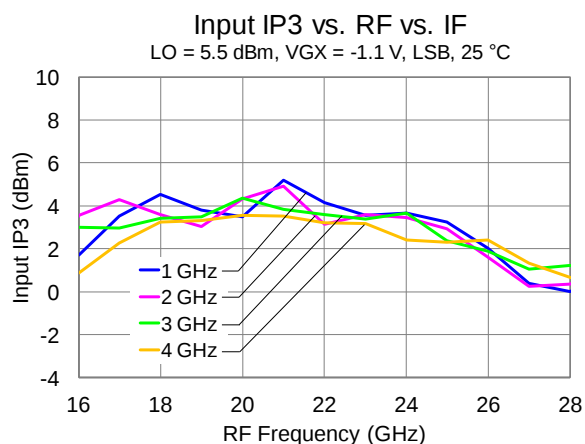
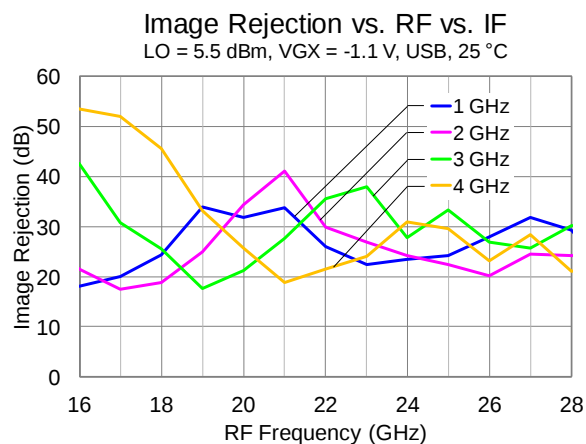
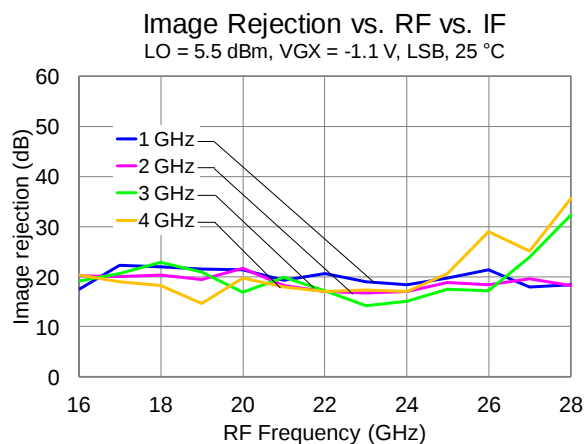
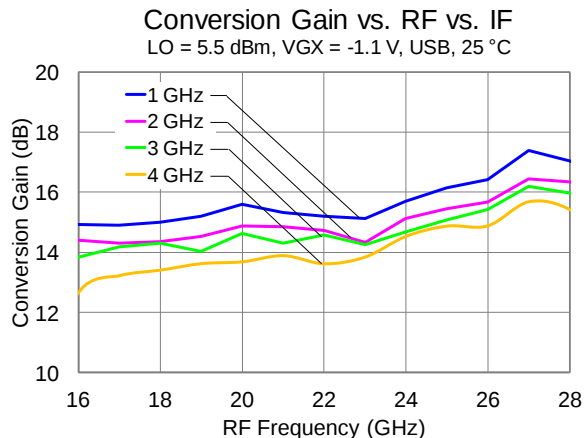
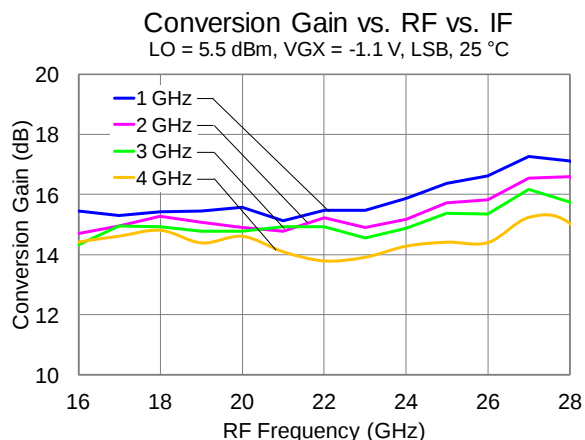
| Parameter                                                                         | Conditions                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Rating                                                                       |
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| Thermal Resistance, $\theta_{JC}$ , measured to back of package                   | $T_{base} = 85\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$                                                                                                                                                                        | $\theta_{JC} = 73.5\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C/W}$                               |
| Channel Temperature ( $T_{ch}$ ), and Median Lifetime ( $T_m$ )                   | $T_{base} = 85\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ,<br>$V_{DRF} = 3\text{ V}$ , $I_{DRF} = 68\text{ mA}$<br>$V_{DLO} = 3\text{ V}$ , $I_{DLO} = 160\text{ mA}$<br>$P_{diss} = 0.68\text{ W}$                             | $T_{ch} = 135\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$<br>$T_m = 5.8\text{E}+6\text{ Hours}$ |
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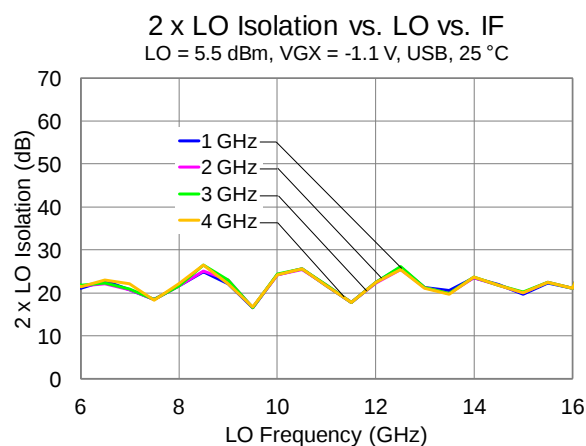
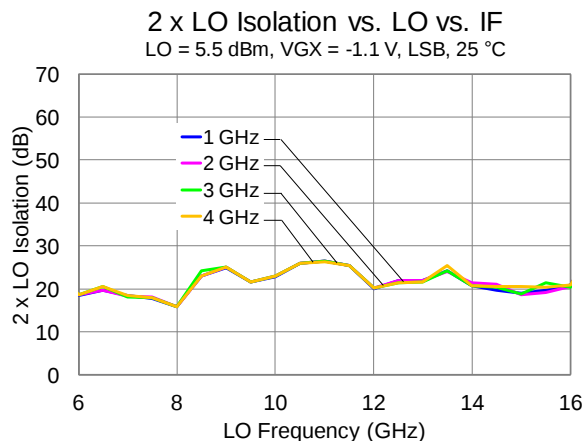
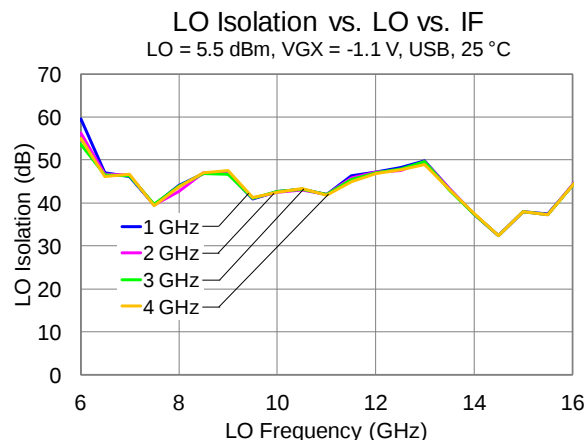
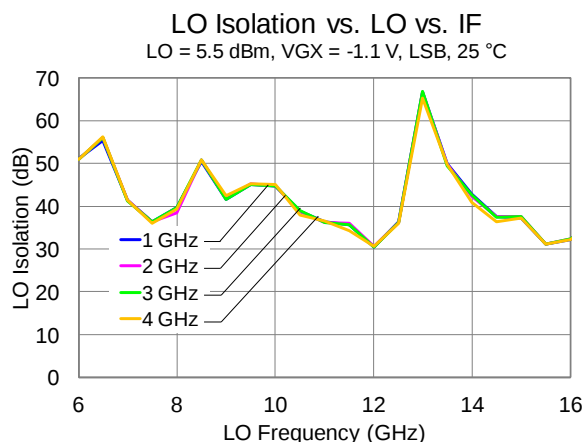
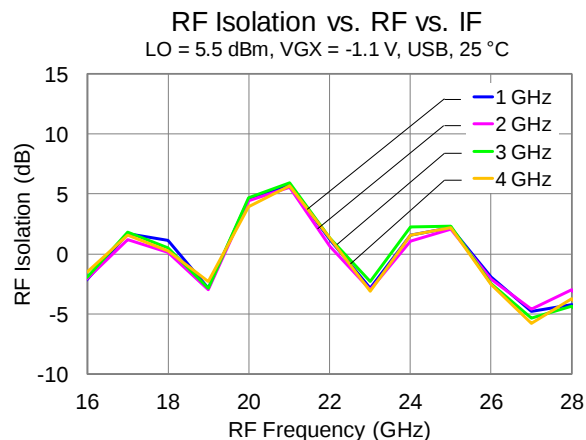
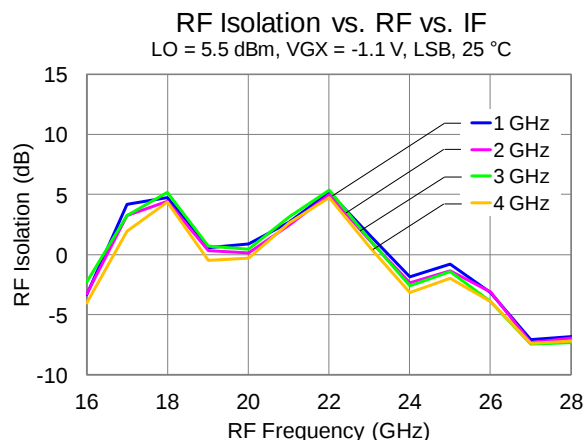
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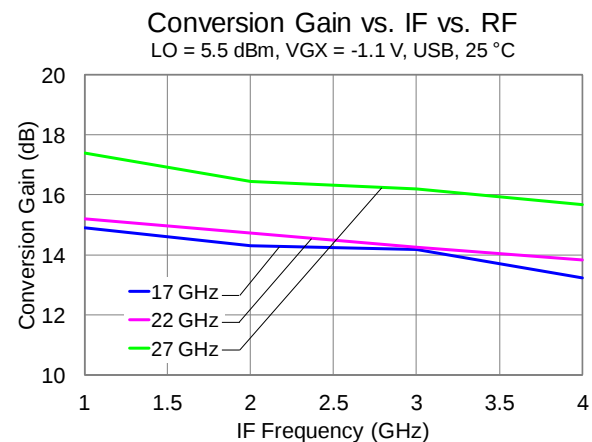
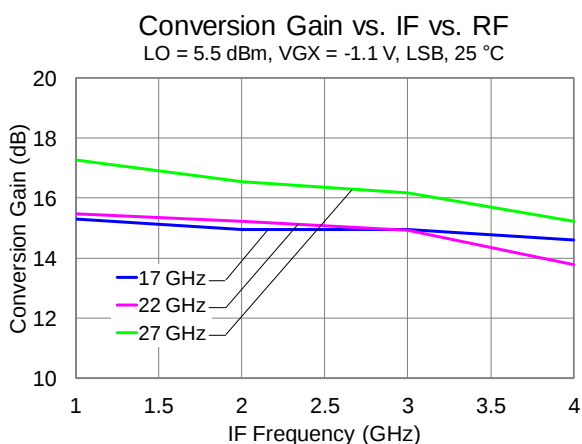
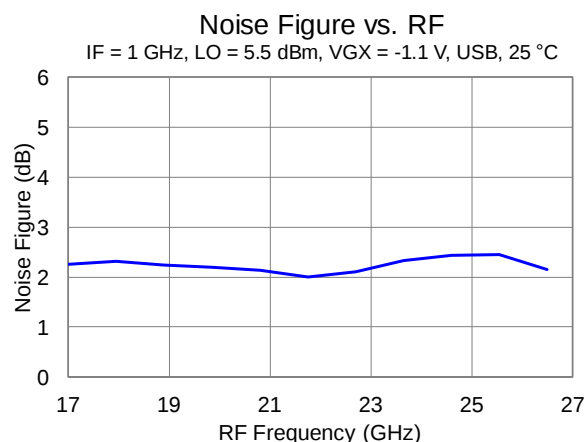
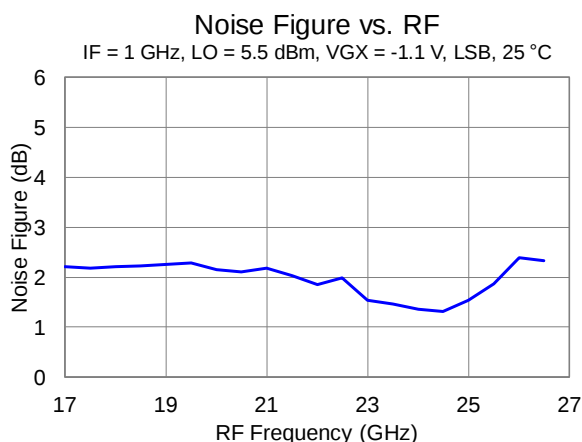
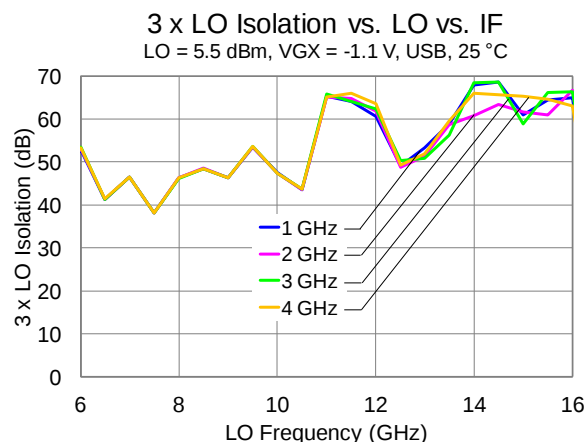
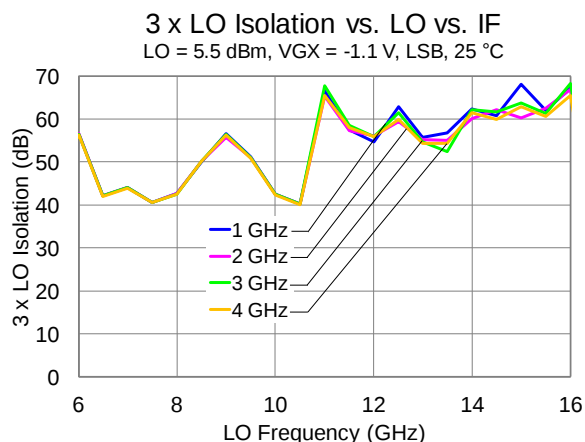
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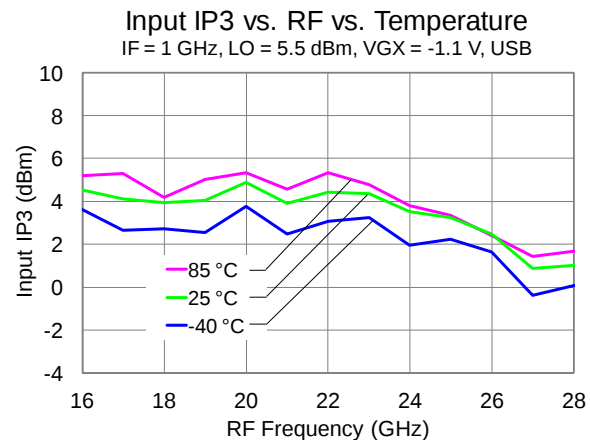
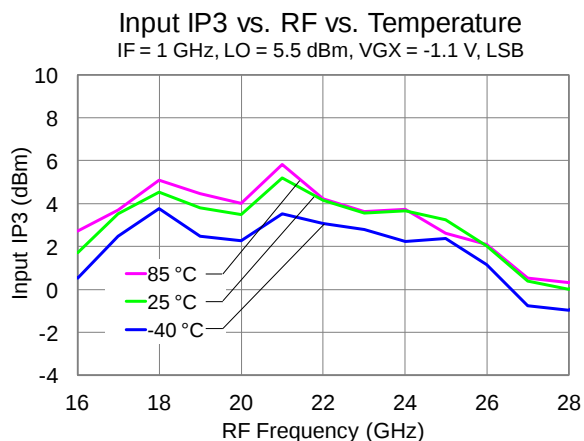
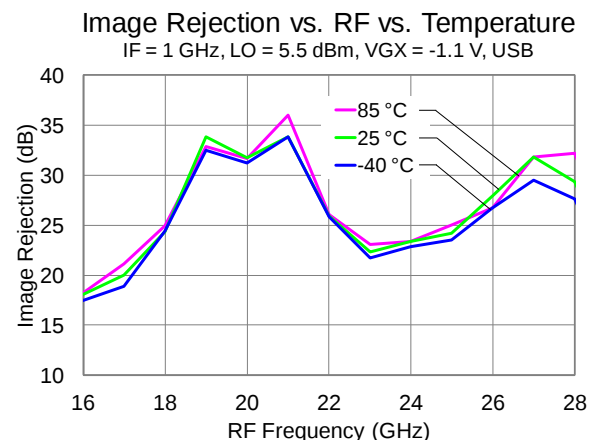
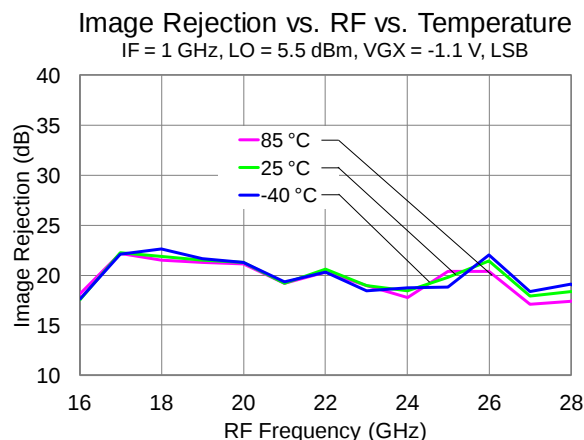
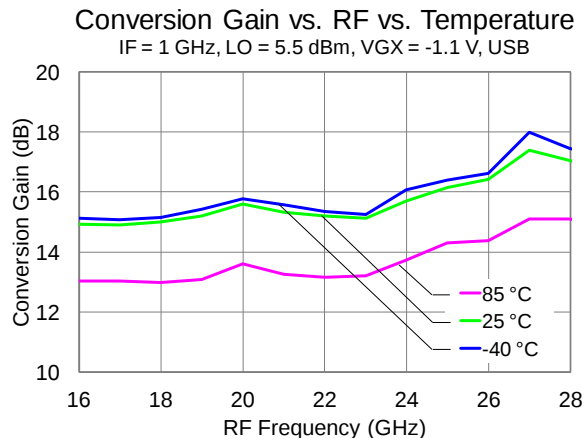
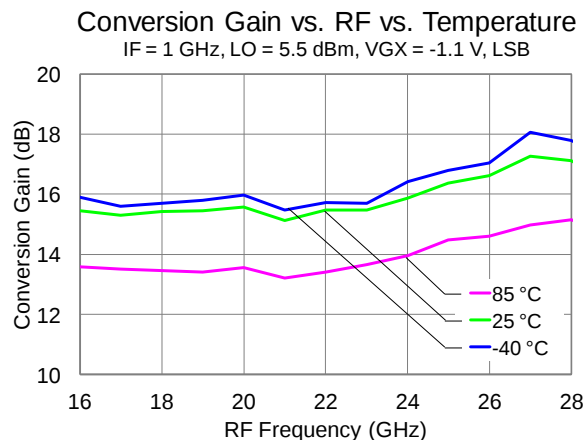
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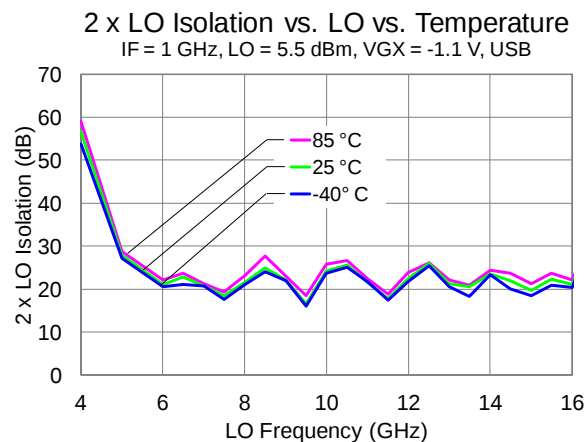
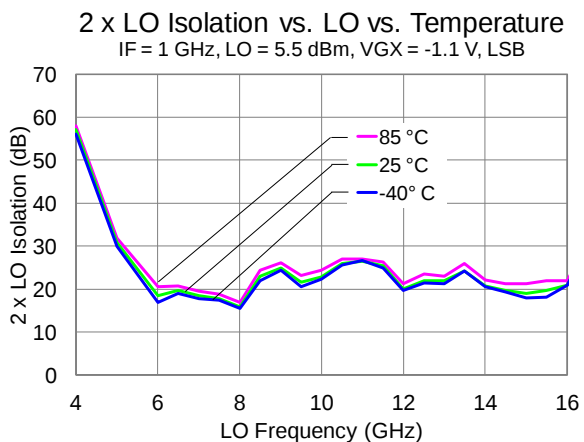
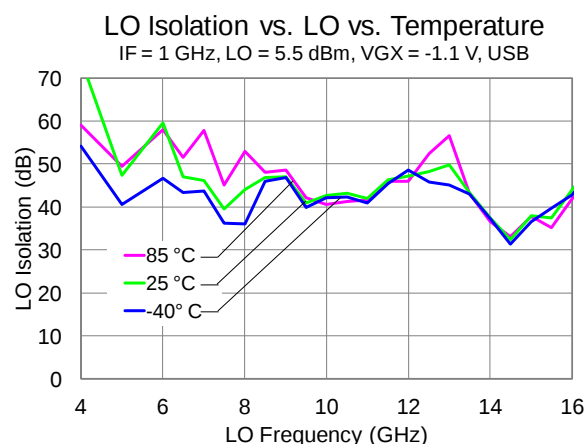
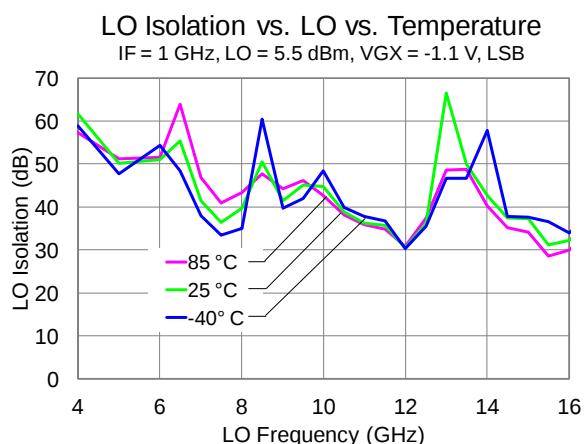
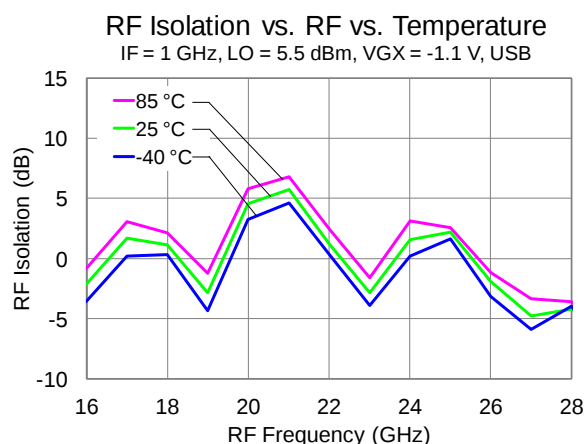
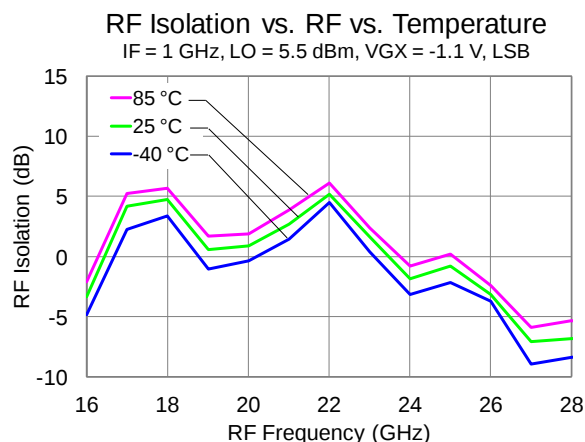
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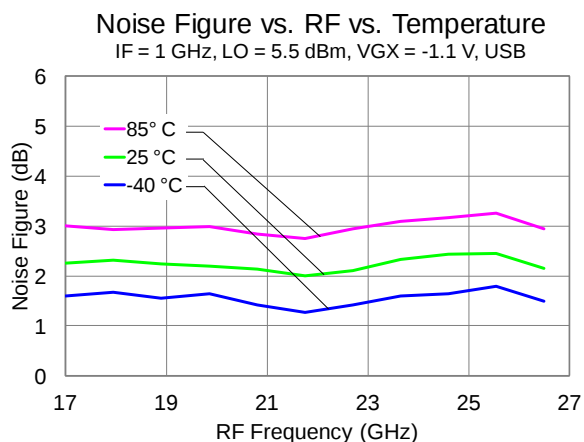
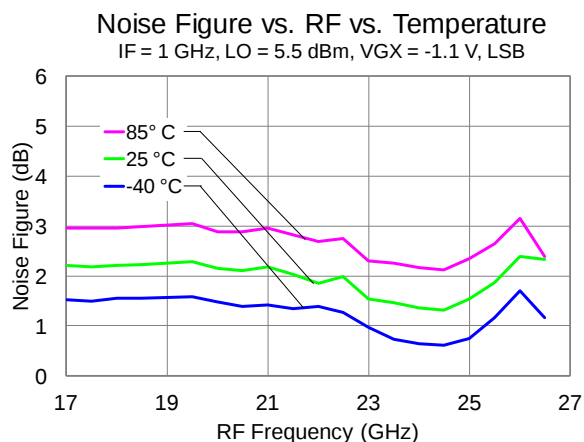
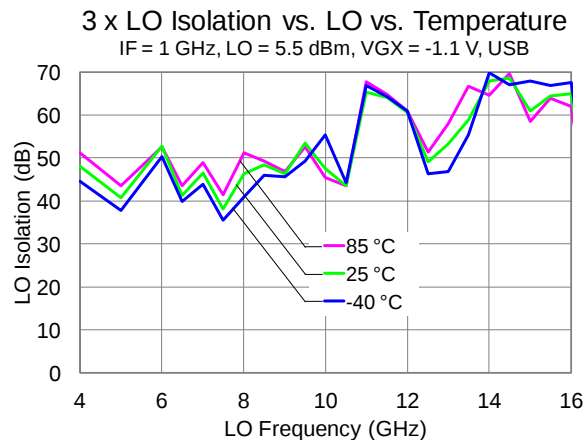
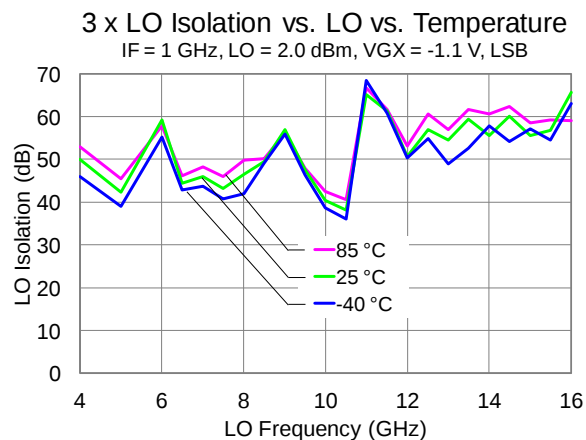
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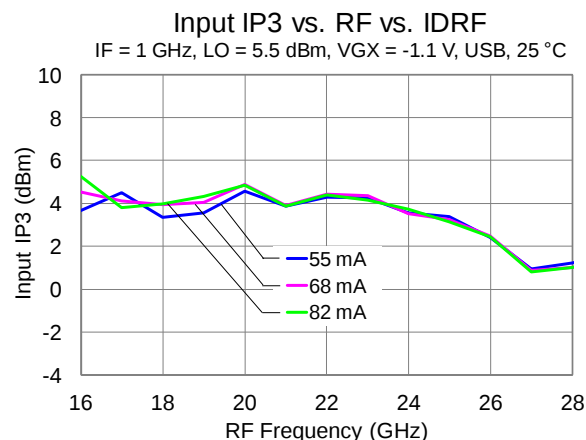
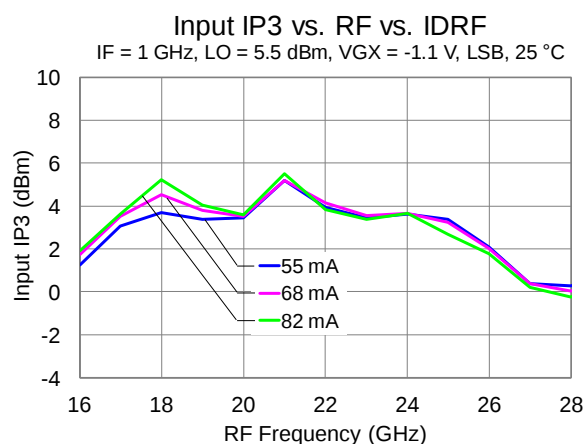
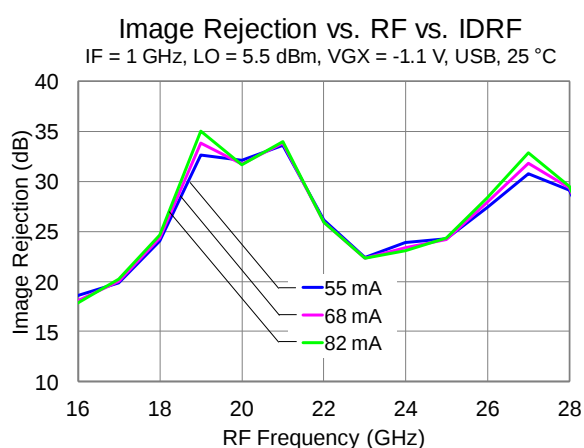
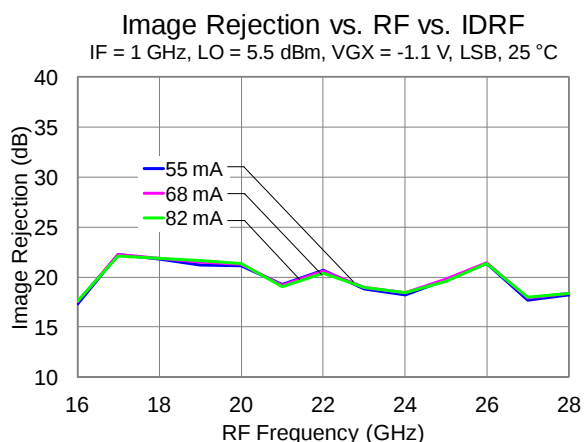
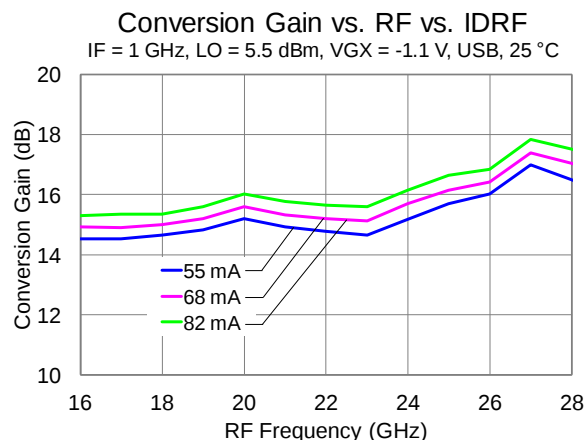
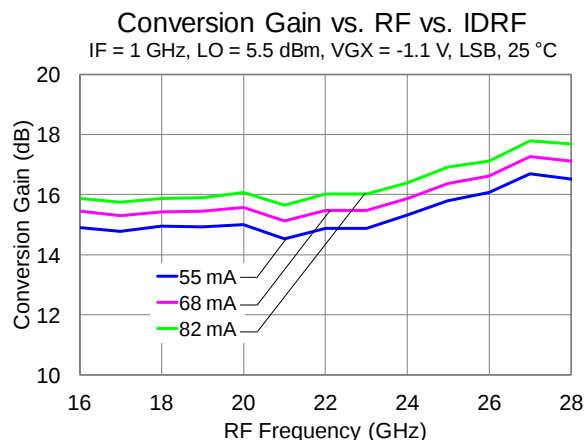
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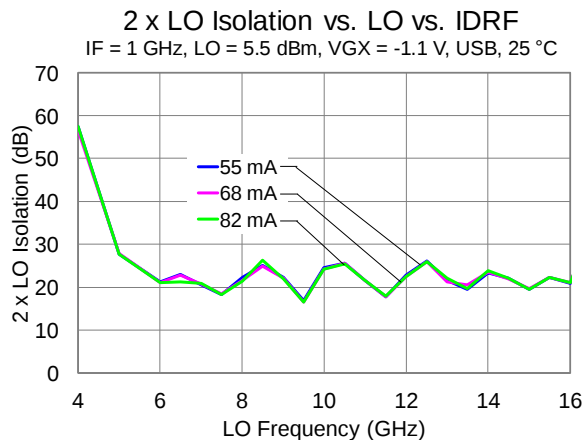
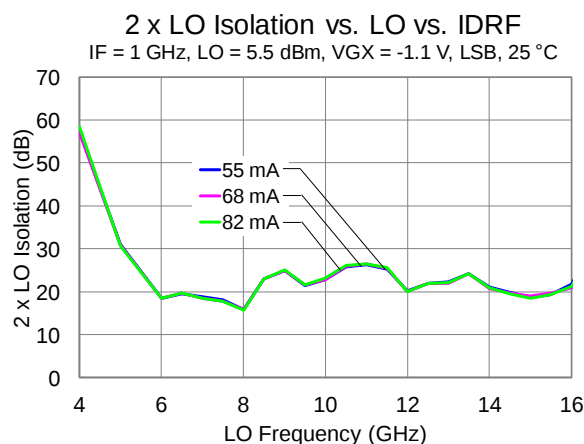
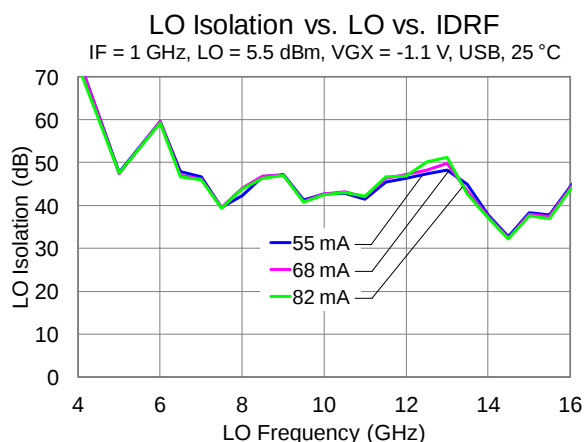
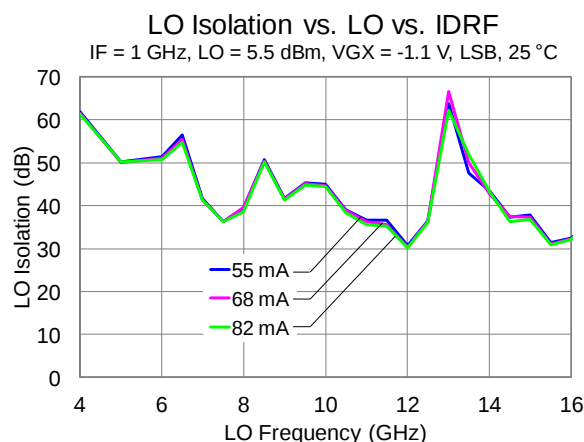
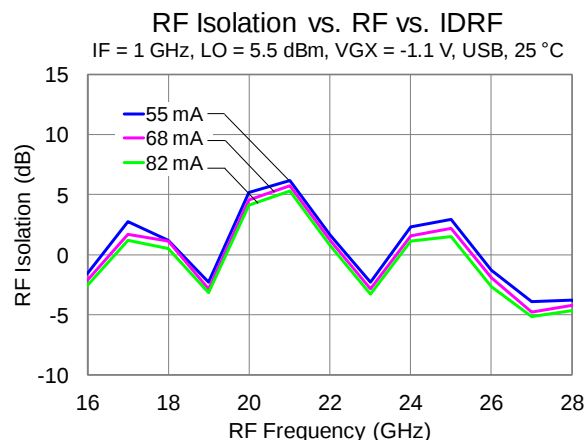
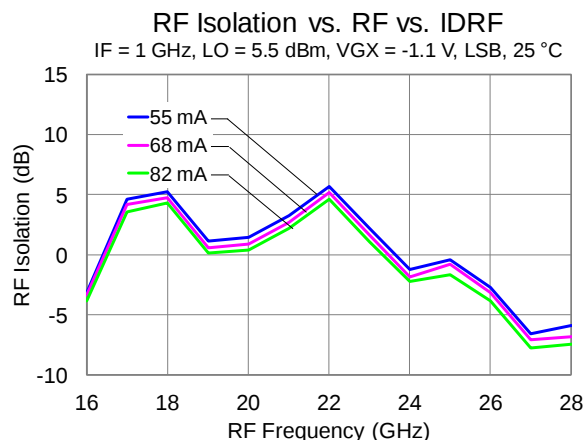
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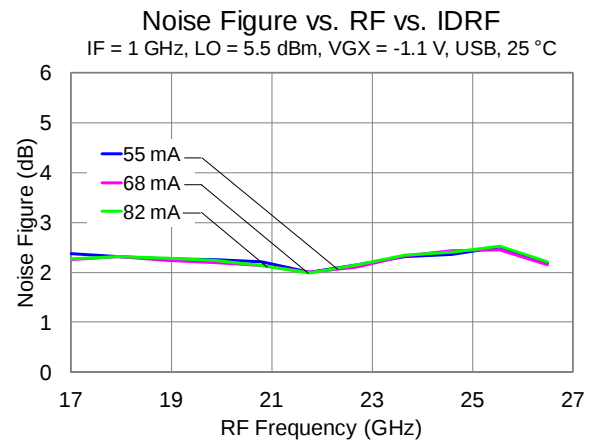
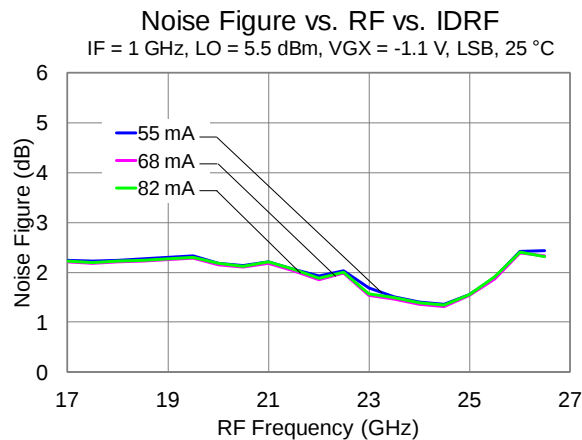
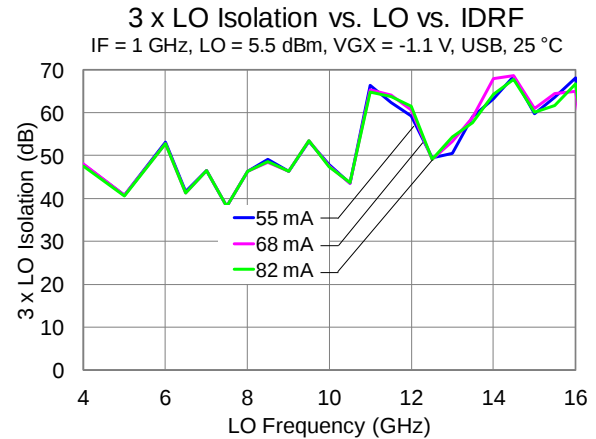
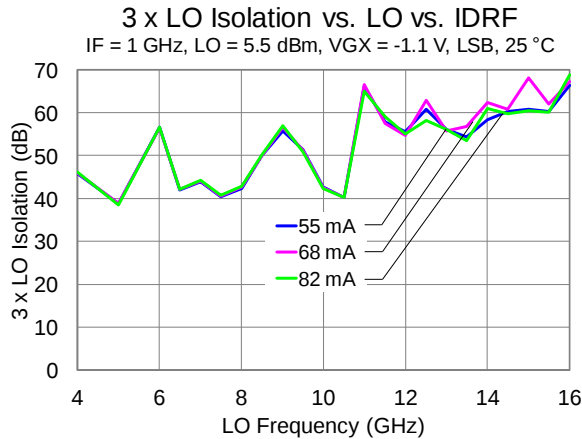
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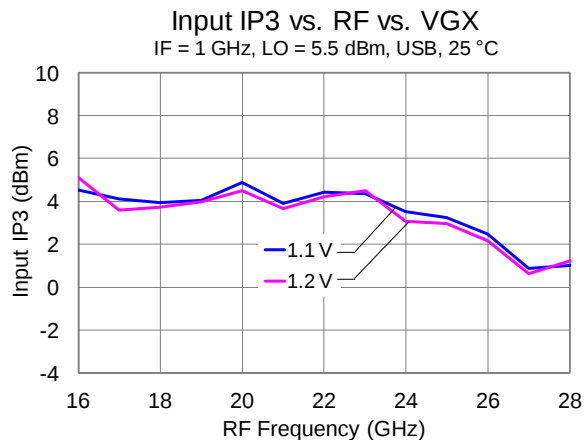
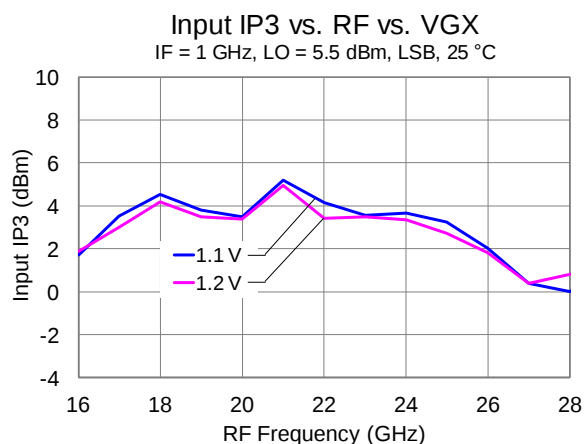
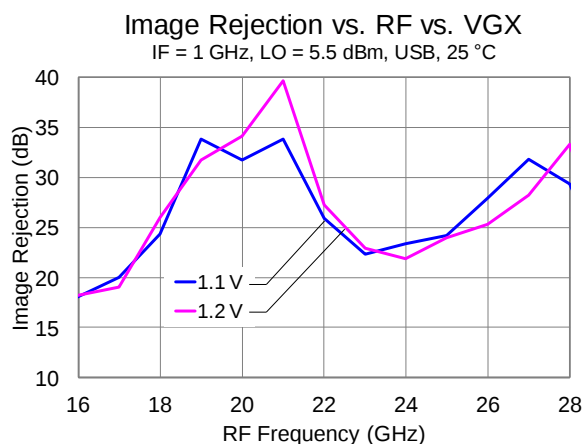
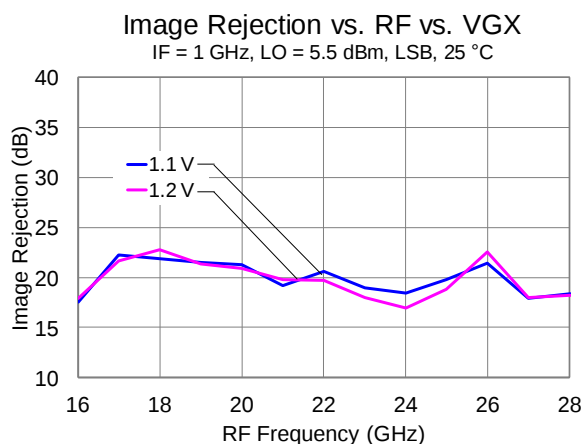
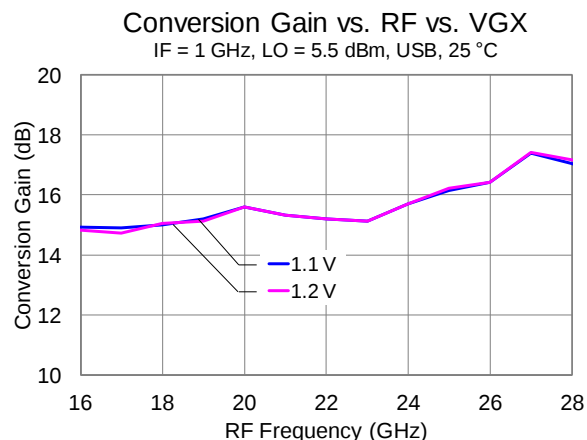
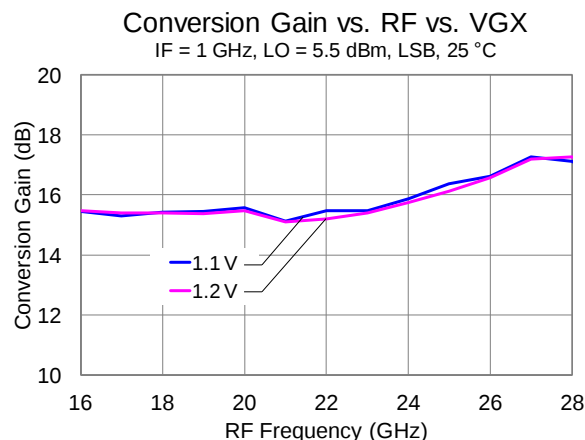
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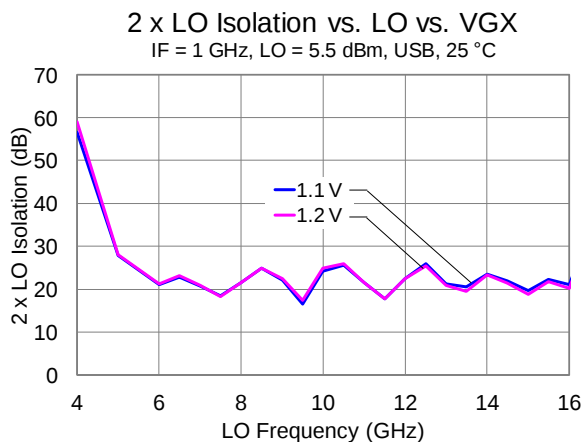
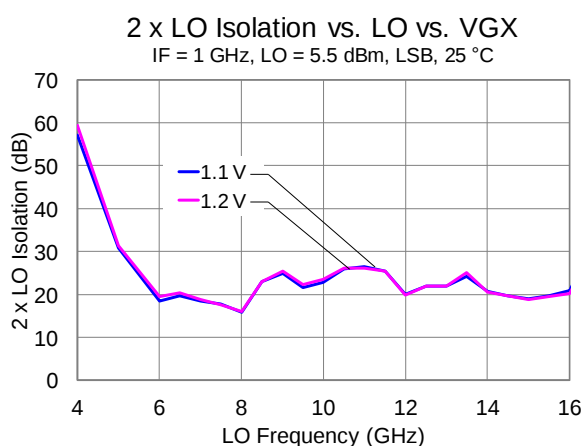
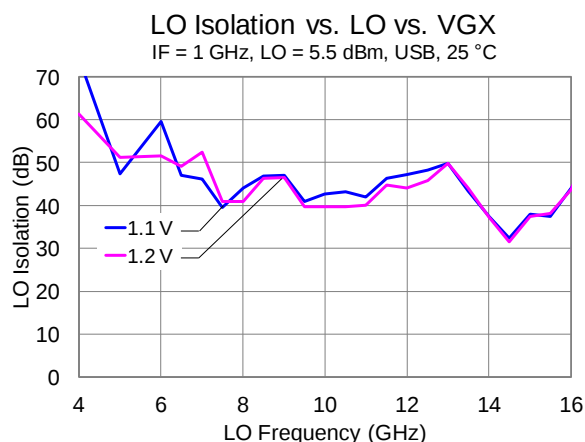
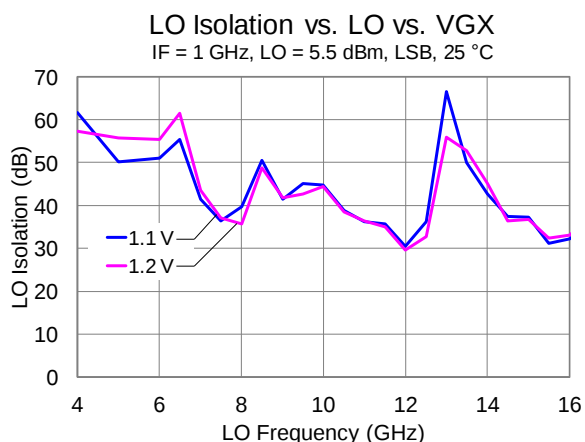
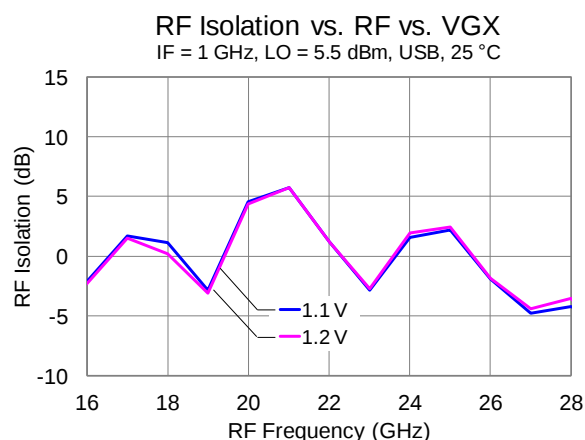
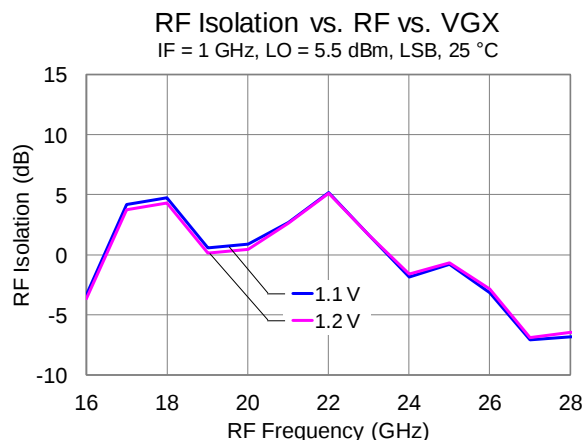
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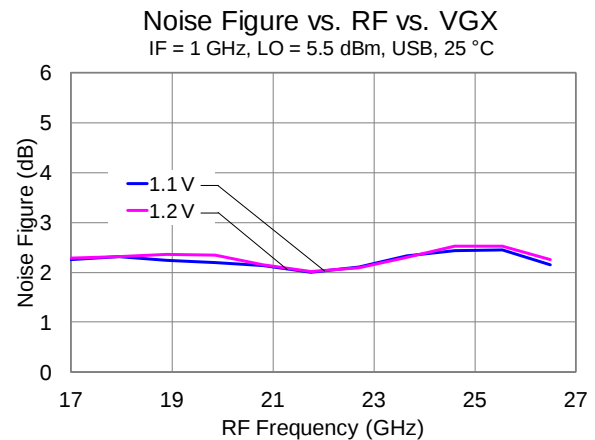
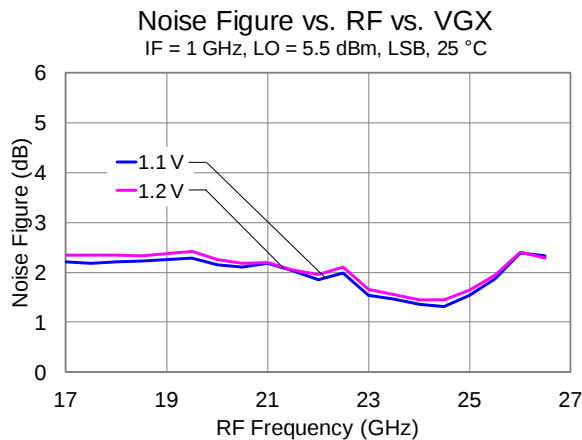
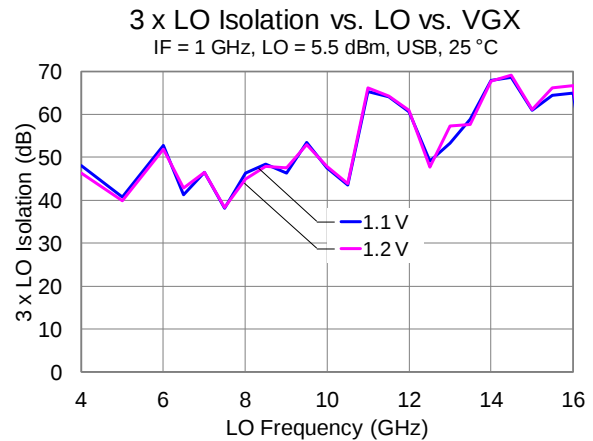
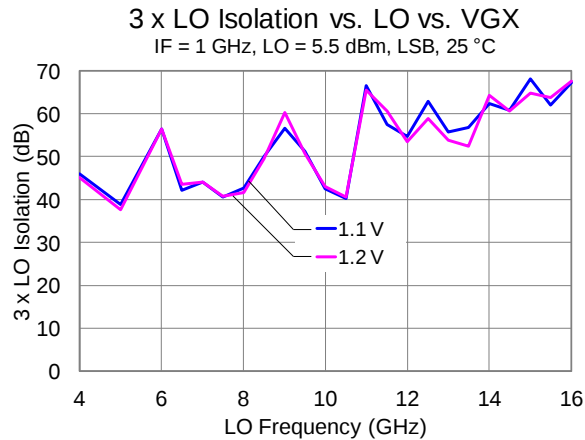
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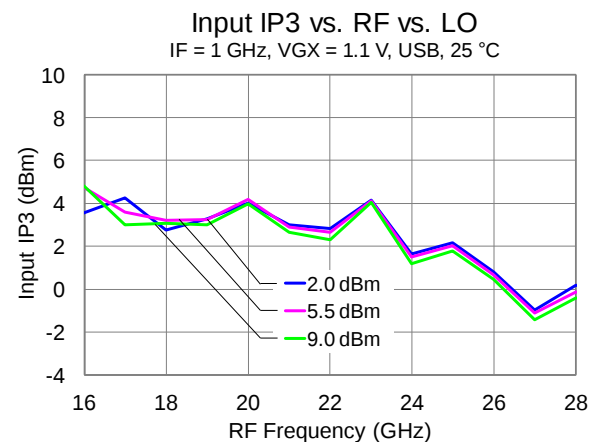
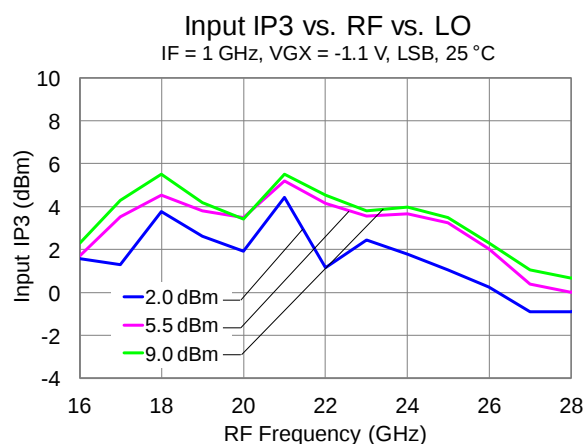
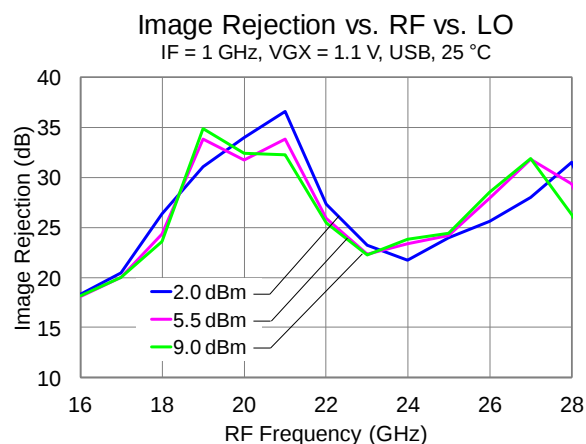
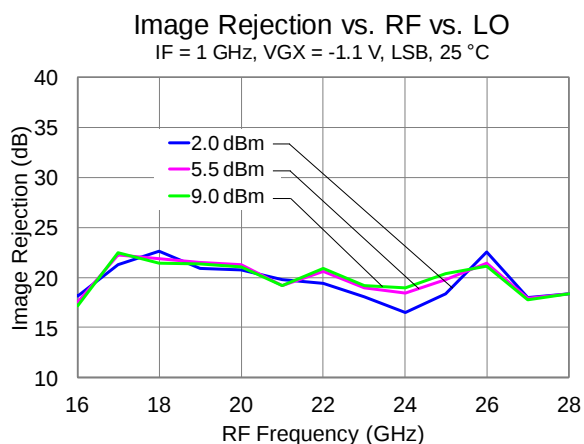
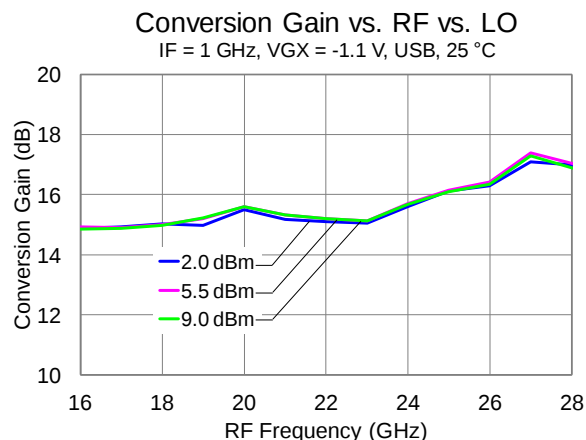
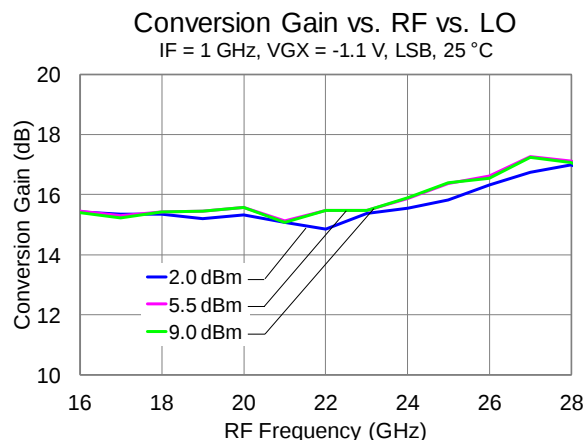
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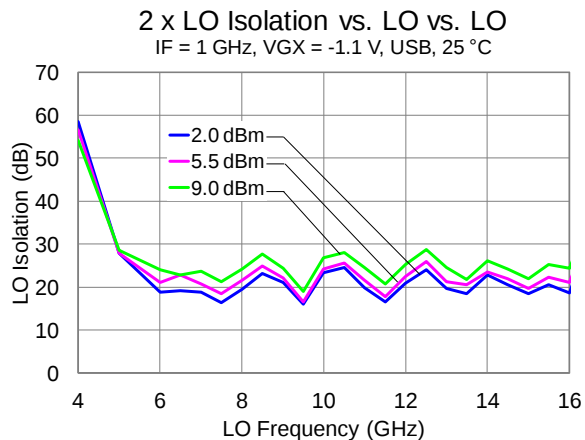
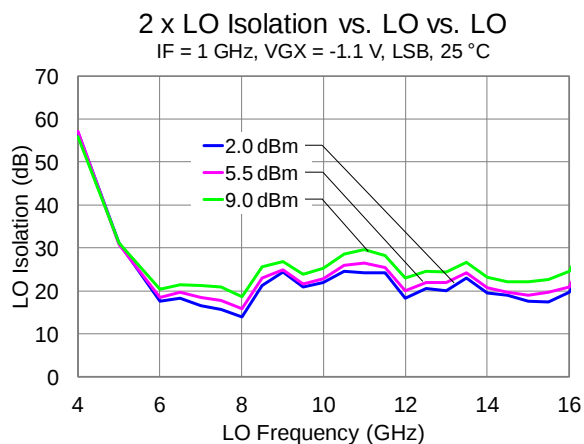
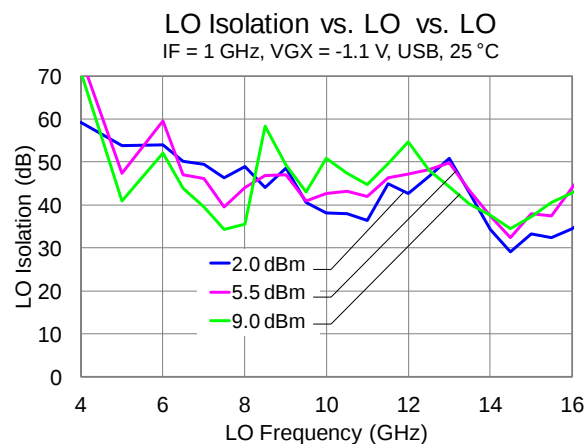
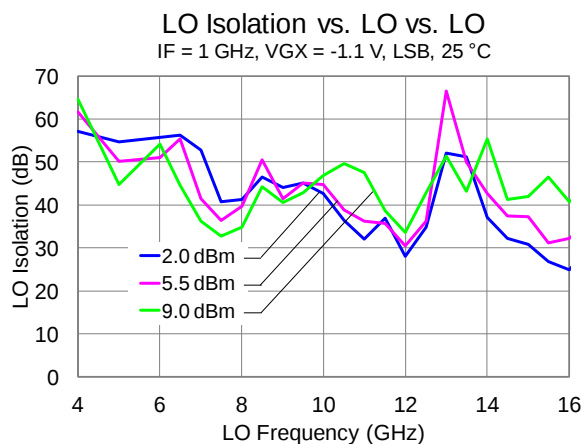
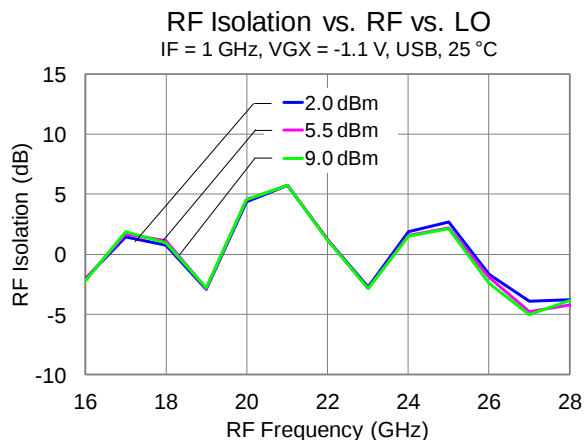
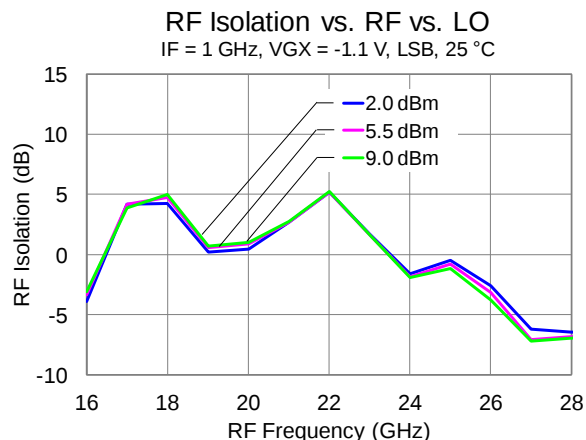
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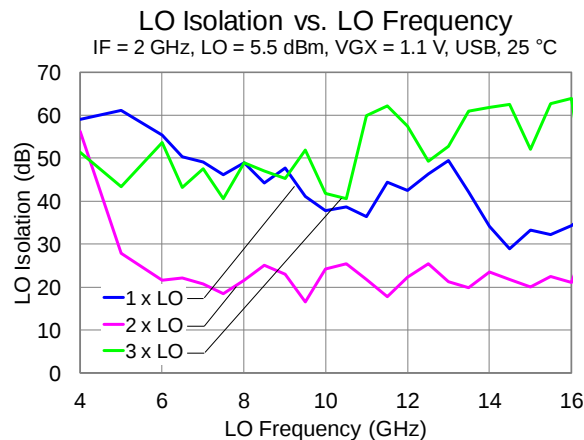
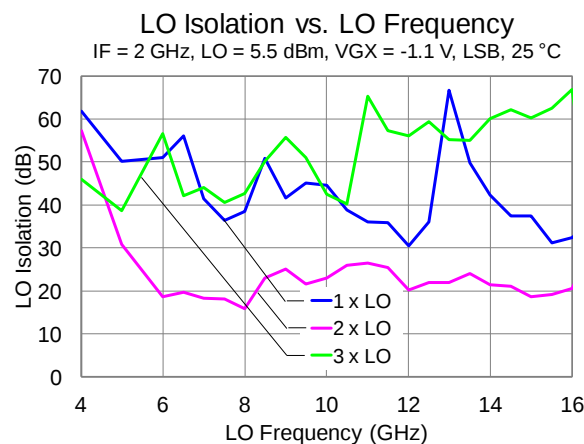
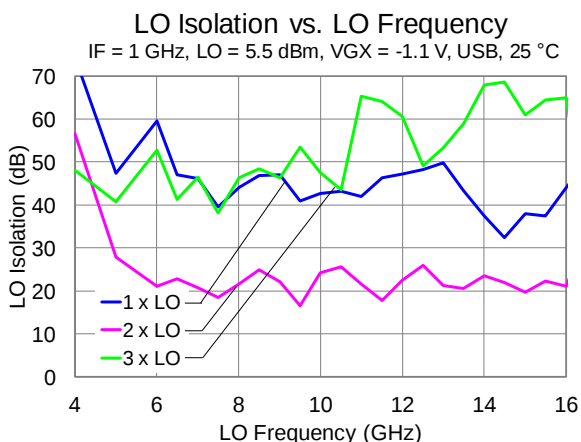
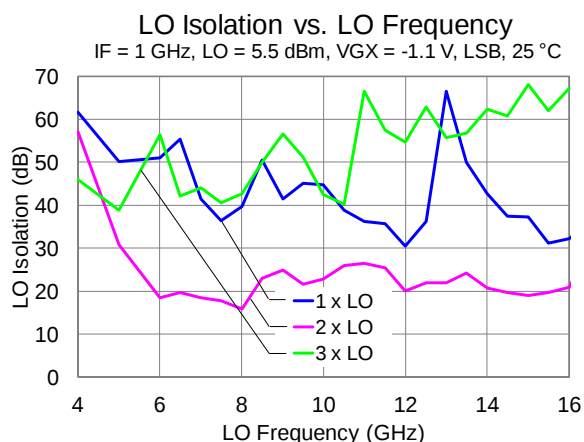
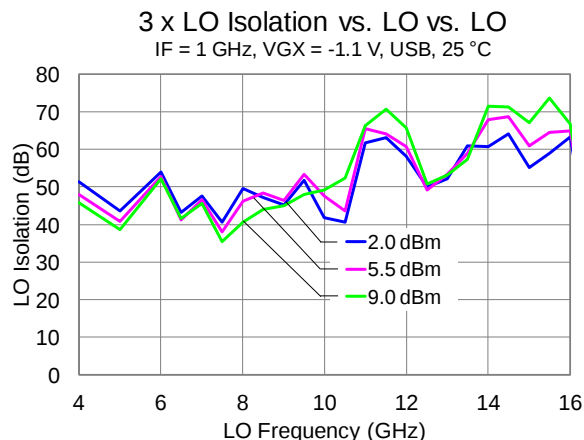
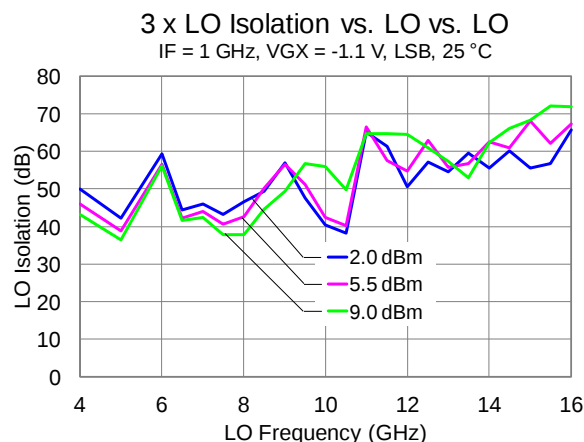
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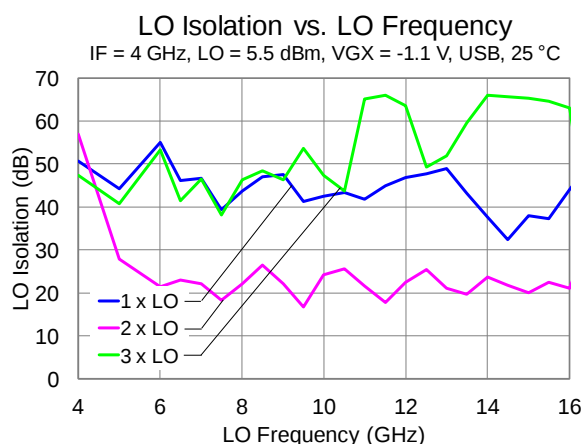
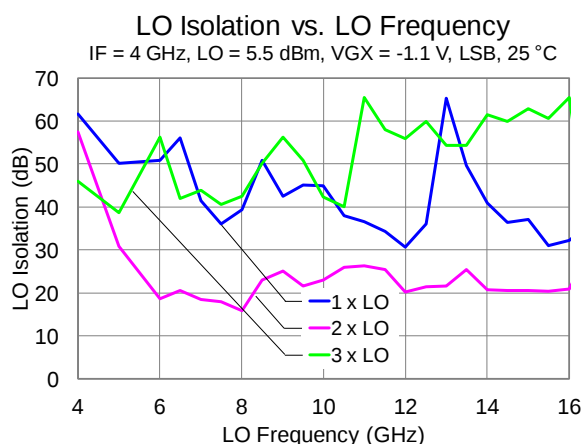
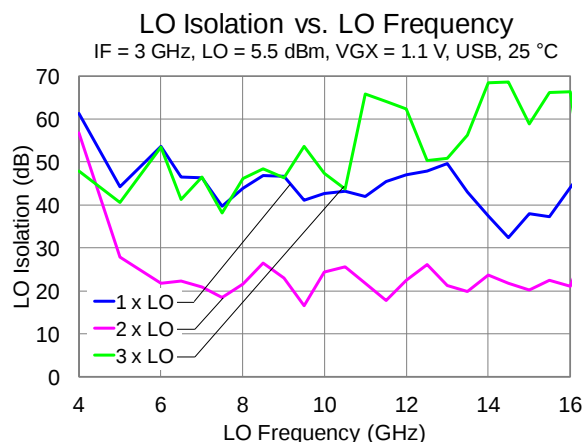
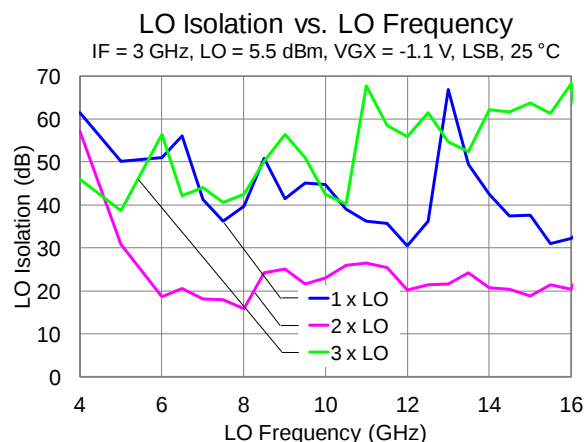
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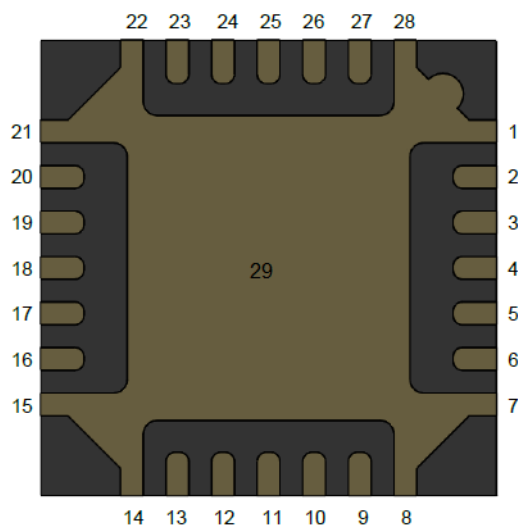


## M x N Spurious Outputs for USB

| IF = 2.0 GHz; RF = 17 - 27 GHz; LO = 7.5 - 12.5 GHz |     |    |    |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-----|
| RF/LO                                               | 0   | 1  | 2  | 3   |
| -3                                                  | --- | 49 | 52 | 51  |
| -2                                                  | --- | 56 | 57 | 63  |
| -1                                                  | --- | 28 | 0  | 26  |
| 0                                                   | --- | 12 | 0  | 14  |
| 1                                                   | 10  | 44 | 23 | 47  |
| 2                                                   | 52  | 50 | 51 | --- |

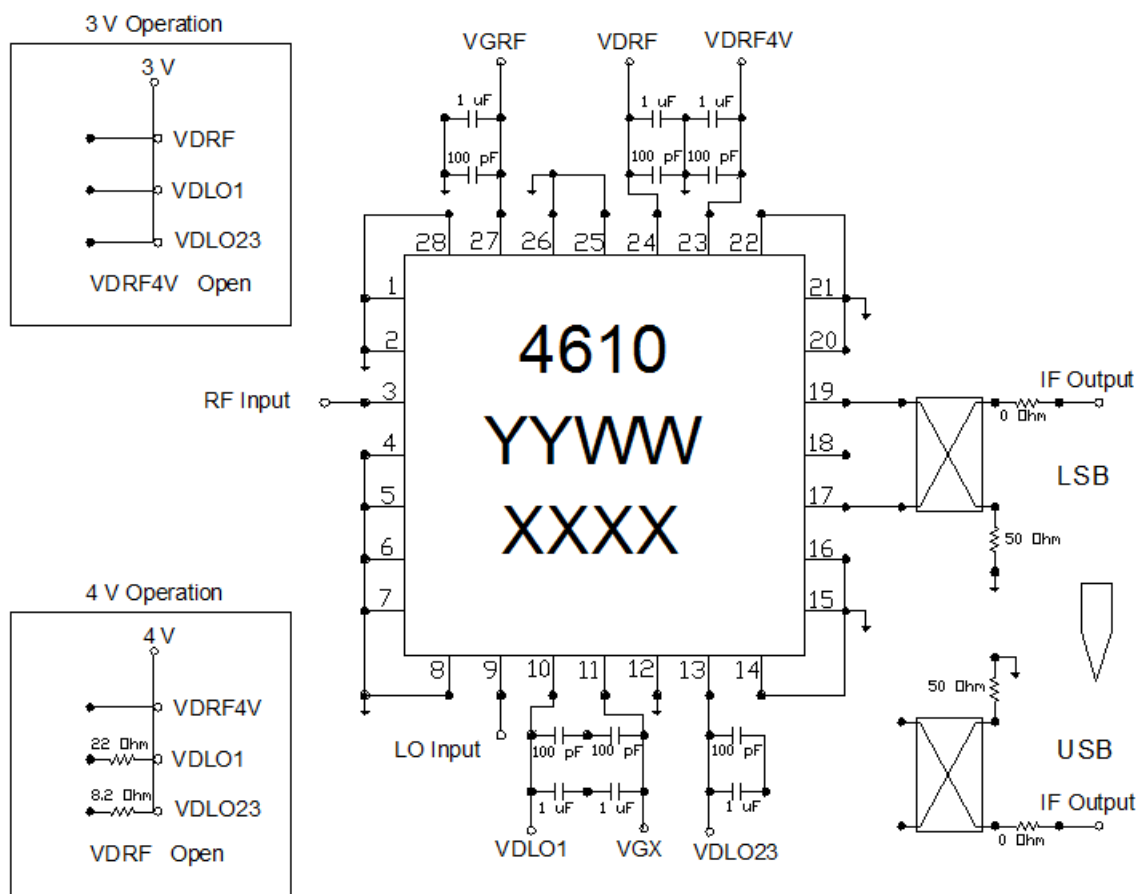
| IF = 4.0 GHz; RF = 17 - 27 GHz; LO = 6.5 - 11.5 GHz |     |    |    |     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----|----|----|-----|
| RF/LO                                               | 0   | 1  | 2  | 3   |
| -3                                                  | --- | 47 | 50 | --- |
| -2                                                  | --- | 53 | 56 | 56  |
| -1                                                  | --- | 30 | 0  | 32  |
| 0                                                   | --- | 10 | -2 | 13  |
| 1                                                   | 10  | 39 | 21 | 49  |
| 2                                                   | 51  | 51 | 51 | --- |

## Pin Configuration and Description



| Pin                                          | Symbol           | Description                                                                                                                                                     |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1, 2, 4-8, 12, 14-16, 18, 20- 22, 25, 26, 28 | NC               | No Internal connection; must be grounded on PCB.                                                                                                                |
| 3                                            | RF IN            | RF Input matched to 50 ohms, AC Coupled.                                                                                                                        |
| 9                                            | LO IN            | LO Input, matched to 50 ohms, AC coupled.                                                                                                                       |
| 10                                           | VDLO1            | LO Drain Voltage. Bias network is required; see Application Circuit on page 21 as an example.                                                                   |
| 11                                           | VGX / (VG_LO123) | Mixer Gate Voltage. Bias network is required; see Application Circuit on page 21 as an example.                                                                 |
| 13                                           | VDLO23           | LO Drain Voltage. Bias network is required; see Application Circuit on page 21 as an example.                                                                   |
| 17                                           | IF1 (USB)        | IF Output matched to 50 ohms, DC coupled.                                                                                                                       |
| 18                                           | NC               | No internal connection; should be left open.                                                                                                                    |
| 19                                           | IF2 (LSB)        | IF Output matched to 50 ohms, DC coupled.                                                                                                                       |
| 23                                           | VDRF4V           | RF Drain Voltage for 4 V operation. Bias network is required; see Application Circuit on page 21 as an example.                                                 |
| 24                                           | VDRF3V           | RF Drain Voltage for 3 V. Bias network is required; see Application Circuit on page 21 as an example.                                                           |
| 27                                           | VGRF             | RF Gate Voltage. Bias network is required; see Application Circuit on page 21 as an example.                                                                    |
| 29                                           | GND              | Backside Paddle. Multiple vias should be employed to minimize inductance and thermal resistance; see Mounting Configuration on page 24 for suggested footprint. |

## Applications Circuit



### Bias-up Procedure

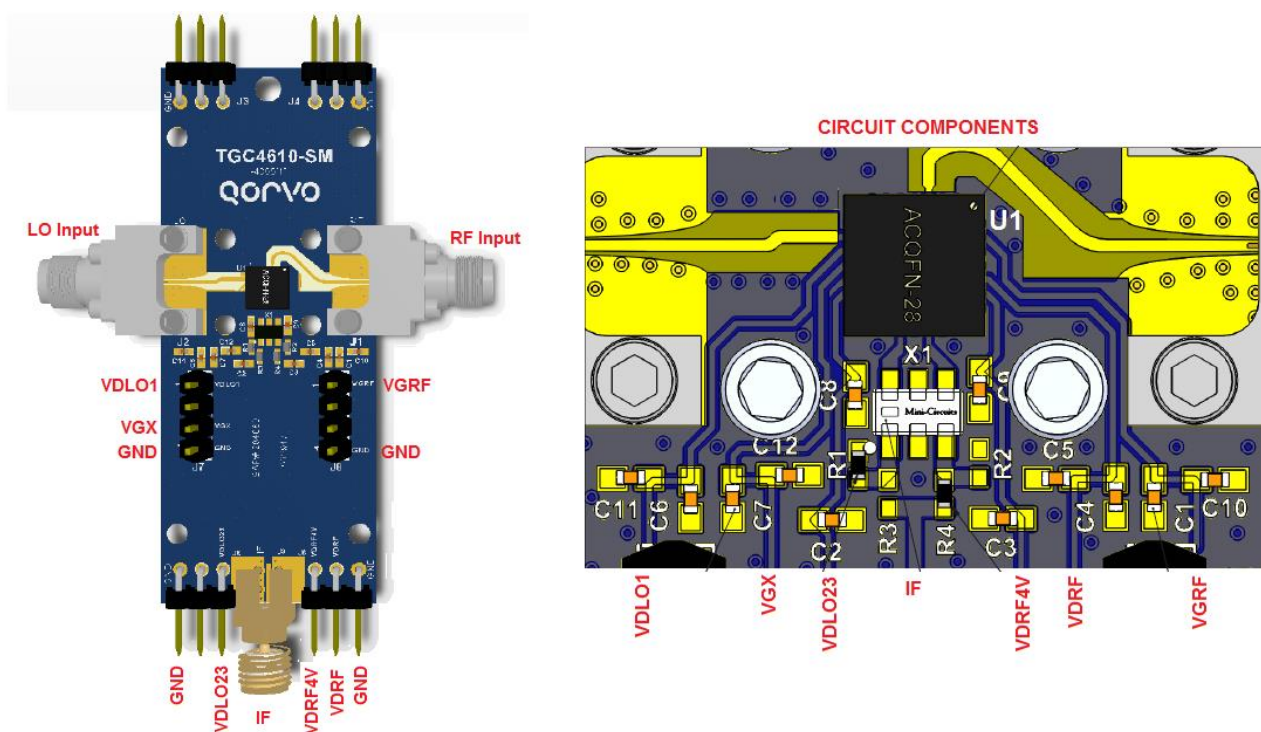
|                                   |
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| Set VGX to -1.1 V                 |
| Set VDLO to 3 V                   |
| Set VGRF to -1.5 V                |
| Set VDRF to 3 V                   |
| Increase VGRF to get IDRF = 68 mA |
| Apply LO and RF signals           |

### Bias-down Procedure

|                            |
|----------------------------|
| Turn off RF and LO signals |
| Set VDRF to 0 V            |
| Set VDLO to 0 V            |
| Set VGRF to 0 V            |
| Set VGRF to -1.5 V         |

### Evaluation Board (EVB) Assembly Layout

Board material is RO4003 0.014" thickness with ½ oz copper cladding.

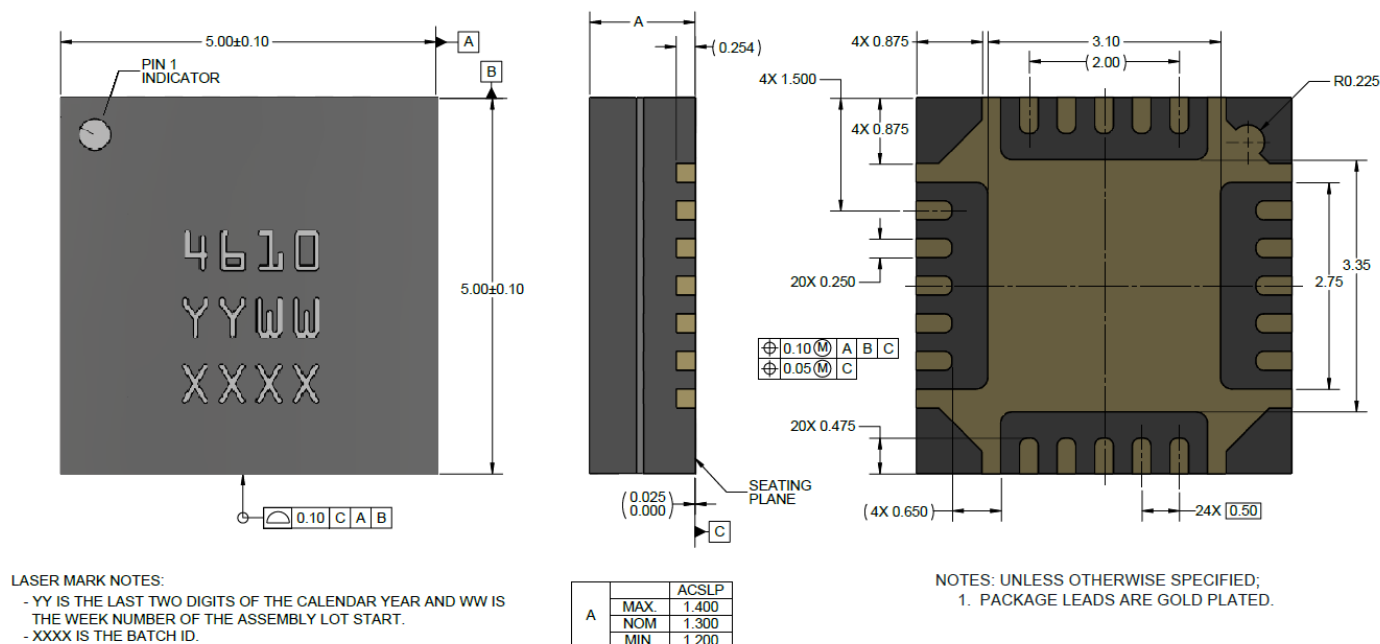


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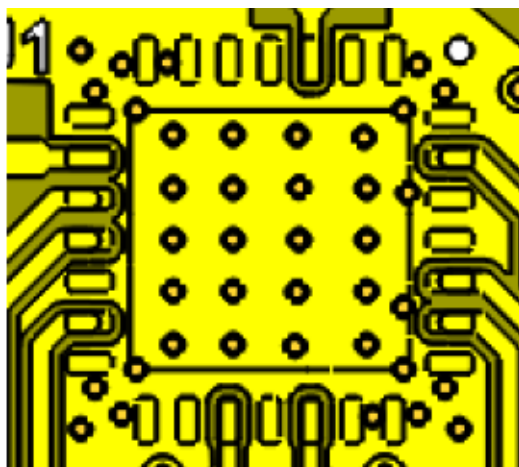
| Ref Des                                                                              | Value  | Description               | Manufacturer  | Part Number        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| C1 – C6                                                                              | 100 pF | Cap, 0603, 200V, 5%, NPO  | various       |                    |
| C7 – C12                                                                             | 1 µF   | Cap, 0603, 50V, 10%, X7R  | various       |                    |
| X1                                                                                   |        | Power Splitter            | Mini-circuits | QCN-25+ or QCN-45+ |
| U1                                                                                   |        | K-Band Downconverter      | Qorvo         | TGC4610-SM         |
| <b>LSB Configuration</b>                                                             |        |                           |               |                    |
| R1                                                                                   | 50 Ω   | Res, 0402, 0.05W, 5%, SMD | various       |                    |
| R4                                                                                   | 0 Ω    | Res, 0402, 0.01W, SMD     | various       |                    |
| R2, R3                                                                               |        | DNP                       |               |                    |
| <b>USB Configuration</b>                                                             |        |                           |               |                    |
| R2                                                                                   | 50 Ω   | Res, 0402, 0.05W, 5%, SMD | various       |                    |
| R3                                                                                   | 0 Ω    | Res, 0402, 0.01W, SMD     | various       |                    |
| R1, R4                                                                               |        | DNP                       |               |                    |
| Note: For 4 V operation, VDLO1 is connected to 22Ω and VDLO23 is connected to 8.2 Ω. |        |                           |               |                    |

## Package Marking and Dimensions

All dimensions are in millimeters.



## PCB Mounting Pattern



Notes:

1. The pad pattern shown has been developed and tested for optimized assembly at Qorvo. The PCB land pattern has been developed to accommodate lead and package tolerances. Since surface mount processes vary from company to company, careful process development is recommended.
2. Ground vias are critical for the proper performance of this device. All vias under the DUT should be epoxy-filled, over-plated and planarized. All other plated thru holes to be plated to  $0.0014 \text{ in} \pm 0.0004 \text{ in}$  minimum thickness.

## Solderability

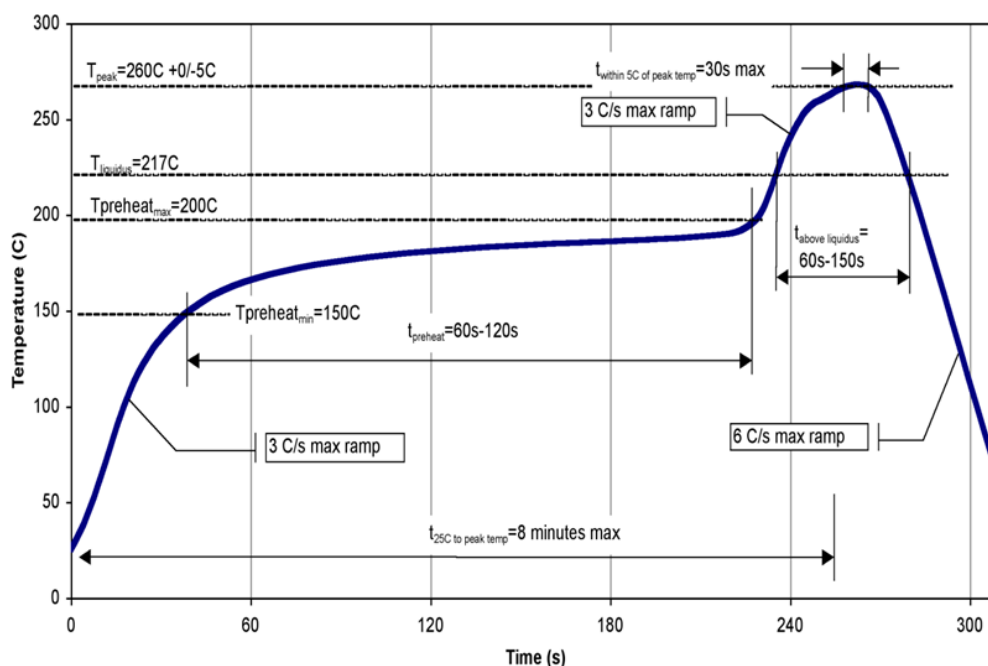
Compatible with lead-free (260°C max. reflow temperature) soldering processes.

Package lead plating: NiPdAu

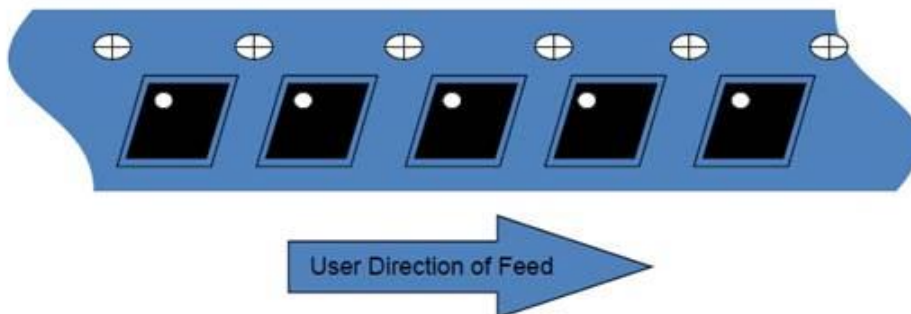
The use of no-clean solder to avoid washing after soldering is recommended.

This package is not compatible with solder contained lead.

## Recommended Soldering Temperature Profile



Standard T/R size = 500 pieces on a 7" reel.



### Handling Precautions

| Parameter                        | Rating   | Standard                 |
|----------------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| ESD – Human Body Model (HBM)     | Class 0B | ESDA / JEDEC JS-001-2012 |
| MSL – Moisture Sensitivity Level | Level 1  | IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020      |



Caution!  
ESD-Sensitive Device

### RoHS Compliance

This product is compliant with the 2011/65/EU RoHS directive (Restrictions on the Use of Certain Hazardous Substances in Electrical and Electronic Equipment), as amended by Directive 2015/863/EU. This product also has the following attributes:

- Lead Free
- Halogen Free (Chlorine, Bromine)
- Antimony Free
- TBBP-A (C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>12</sub>Br<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) Free
- PFOS Free
- SVHC Free

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