HMC738LP4 / 738LP4E

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MMIC VCO w/ HALF FREQUENCY OUTPUT & DIVIDE-BY-16, 20.9 - 23.9 GHz

Typical Applications

The HMC738LP4(E) is ideal for:

- Point-to-Point Radios
- Point-to-Multi-Point Radios / LMDS
- VSAT

Features

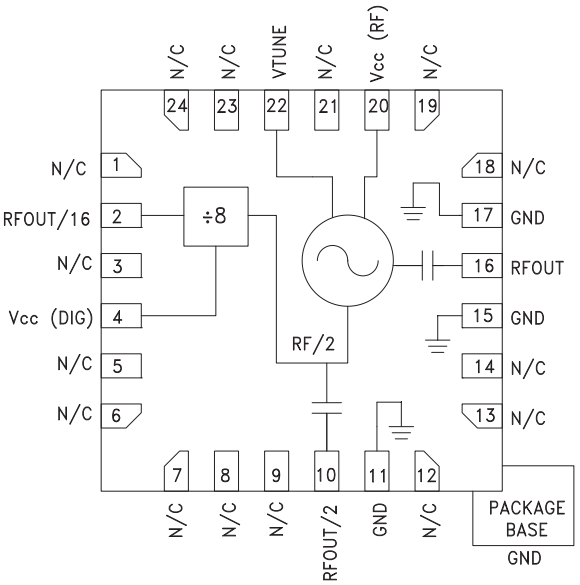
Pout: +9 dBm

Phase Noise: -95 dBc/Hz @ 100 kHz Typ.

No External Resonator Needed

24 Lead 4x4mm SMT Package: 16mm²

Functional Diagram



General Description

The HMC738LP4(E) is a GaAs InGaP Heterojunction Bipolar Transistor (HBT) MMIC VCO. The HMC738LP4(E) integrates a resonator, negative resistance device, varactor diode and divide-by-16 prescaler. The VCO's phase noise performance is excellent over temperature, shock, and process due to the oscillator's monolithic structure. Power output is +9 dBm typical from a 5V supply voltage. The voltage controlled oscillator is packaged in a low cost leadless QFN 4x4 mm surface mount package

Electrical Specifications, T_A = +25° C, Vcc (RF), Vcc (DIG) = +5V

Parameter		Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
Frequency Range	Fo Fo/2		20.9 - 23.9		GHz
Power Output	RF OUT RF OUT/2 RF OUT/16	3 -3.5 -7		15 +3.5 -1	dBm dBm
SSB Phase Noise @ 100 kHz Offset, Vtune= +5V @ RF Output			-95		dBc/Hz
Tune Voltage	Vtune	1		13	V
Supply Current	Icc (RF), Icc (DIG)	160	200	220	mA
Tune Port Leakage Current (Vtune= 13V)				10	µA
Output Return Loss			3		dB
Harmonics/Subharmonics	1/2 3/2		-23 -40		dBc dBc
Pulling (into a 2.0:1 VSWR)			22		MHz pp
Pushing @ Vtune= 5V			-90		MHz/V
Frequency Drift Rate			3.5		MHz/°C

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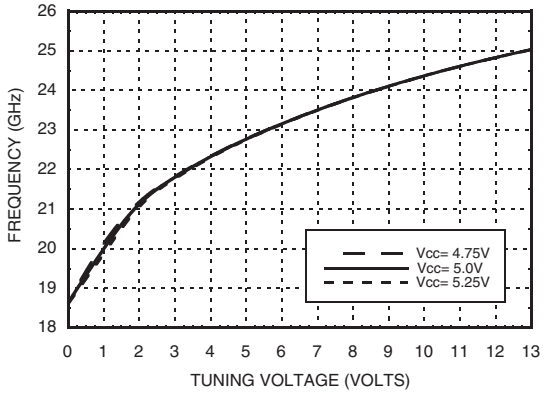
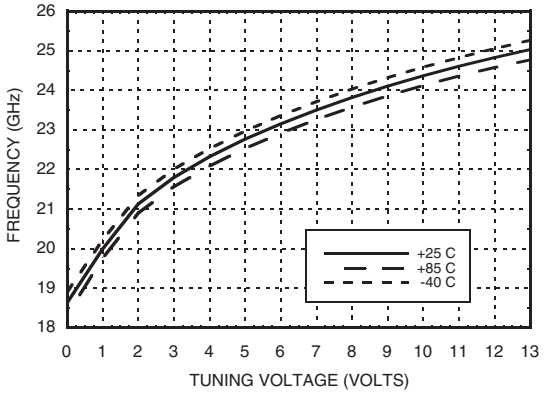
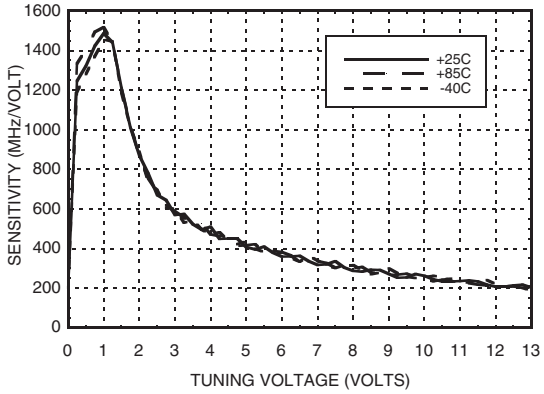
Frequency vs. Tuning Voltage, T= 25°C



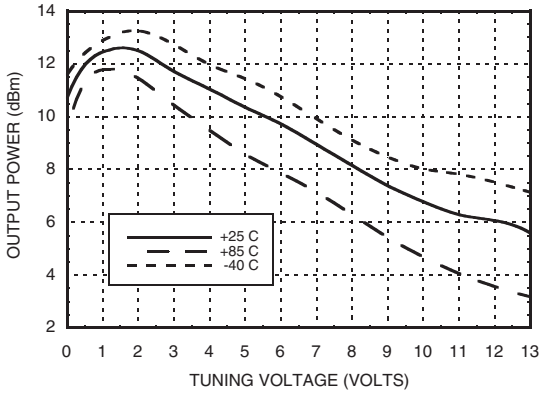
Frequency vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +5V



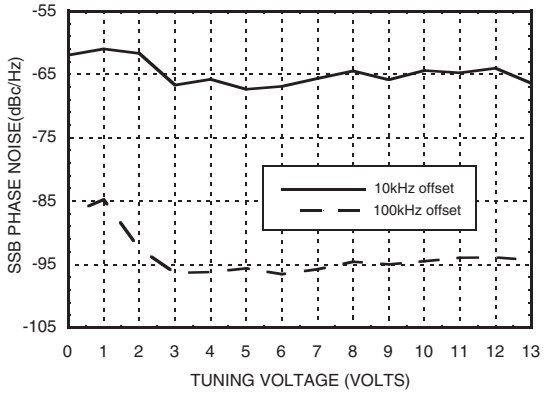
Sensitivity vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +5V



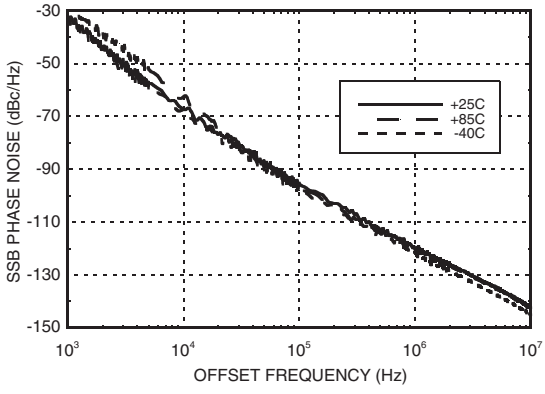
Output Power vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +5V



SSB Phase Noise vs. Tuning Voltage



SSB Phase Noise @ Vtune= 5V



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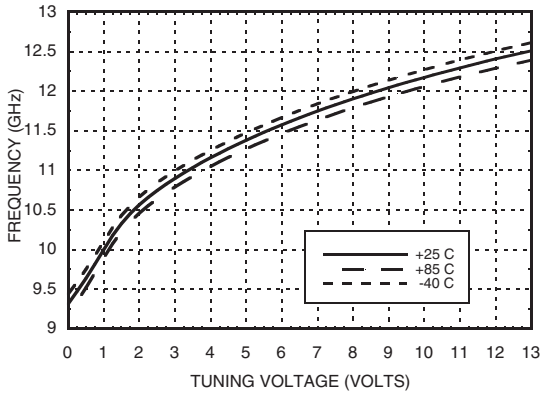
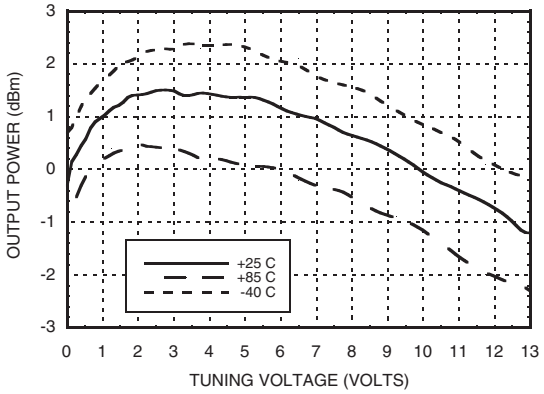
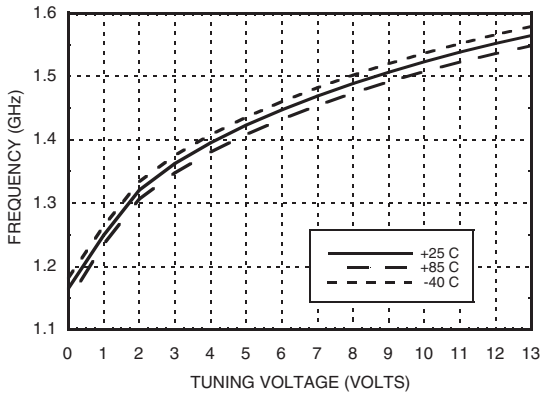
RFOUT/2 Frequency vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +5V



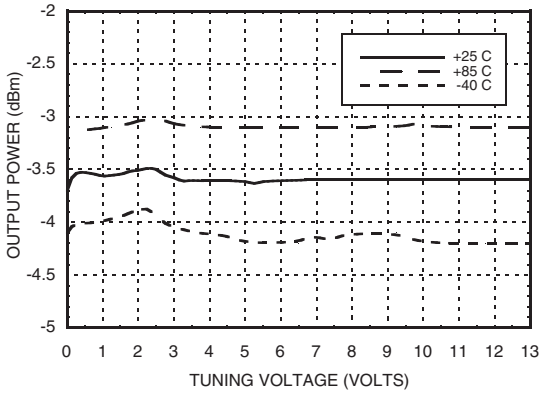
RFOUT/2 Output Power Power vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +5V



Divide-by-16 Frequency vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +5V



Divide-by-16 Output Power vs. Tuning Voltage, Vcc= +5V



Absolute Maximum Ratings

Vcc (RF), Vcc (DIG)	+5.5V
Vtune	0 to +15V
Junction Temperature	135° C
Continuous Pdiss (T= 85 °C) (derate 23 mW/° above 85 °C)	1.2 W
Thermal Resistance (junction to ground paddle)	43 °C/W
Storage Temperature	-65 to +150 °C
Operating Temperature	-40 to +85 °C

Typical Supply Current vs. Vcc

Vcc (V)	Icc (mA)
4.75	175
5.0	200
5.25	220

Note: VCO will operate over full voltage range shown above.

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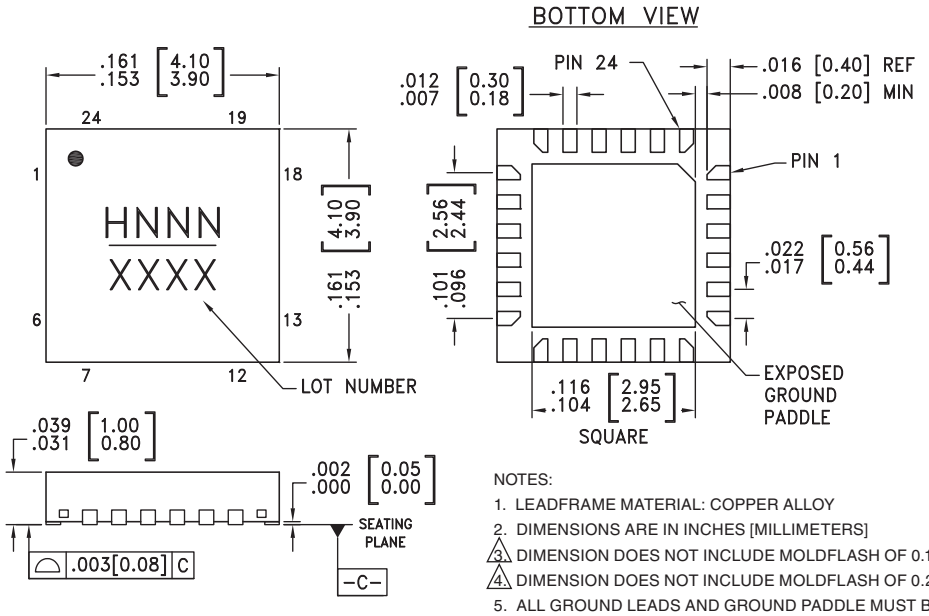
Outline Drawing



NOTES:

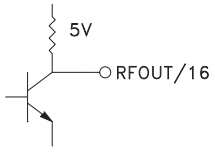
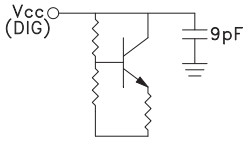
1. LEADFRAME MATERIAL: COPPER ALLOY
2. DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES [MILLIMETERS]
3. DIMENSION DOES NOT INCLUDE MOLDFLASH OF 0.15mm PER SIDE.
4. DIMENSION DOES NOT INCLUDE MOLDFLASH OF 0.25mm PER SIDE.
5. ALL GROUND LEADS AND GROUND PADDLE MUST BE SOLDERED TO PCB RF GROUND.

Package Information

Part Number	Package Body Material	Lead Finish	MSL Rating	Package Marking [3]
HMC738LP4	Low Stress Injection Molded Plastic	Sn/Pb Solder	MSL1 [1]	H738 XXXX
HMC738LP4E	RoHS-compliant Low Stress Injection Molded Plastic	100% matte Sn	MSL1 [2]	H738 XXXX

[1] Max peak reflow temperature of 235 °C
[2] Max peak reflow temperature of 260 °C
[3] 4-Digit lot number XXXX

Pin Descriptions

Pin Number	Function	Description	Interface Schematic
1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 18, 19, 21, 23, 24	N/C	No Connection required. These pins may be connected to RF/DC ground without affecting performance.	
2	RFOUT/16	RF/16 Divided Output. Requires DC Block.	
4	Vcc (DIG)	Supply voltage for prescaler. Can be omitted if prescaler is not needed to conserve approximately 100 mA.	

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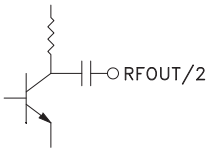
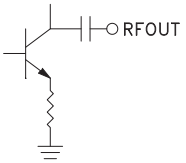
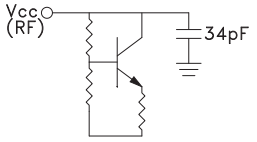
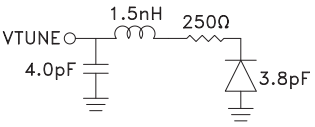
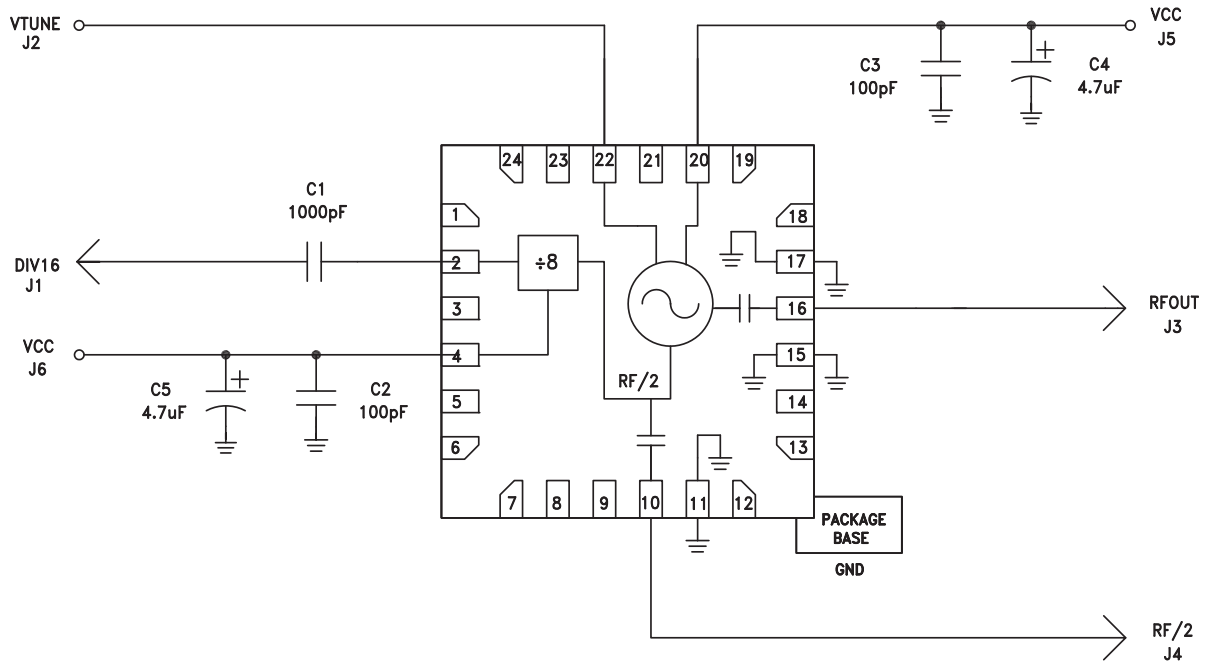
10	RFOUT/2	Half frequency output (AC coupled)	
11, 15, 17	GND	Package bottom has an exposed metal paddle that must be RF & DC grounded.	
16	RFOUT	RF output (AC coupled).	
20	Vcc (RF)	Supply Voltage	
22	VTUNE	Control Voltage Input. Modulation port bandwidth dependent on drive source impedance.	

Typical Application Circuit



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