



## GaAs MMIC SUB-HARMONIC SMT MIXER, 24 - 34 GHz

### Typical Applications

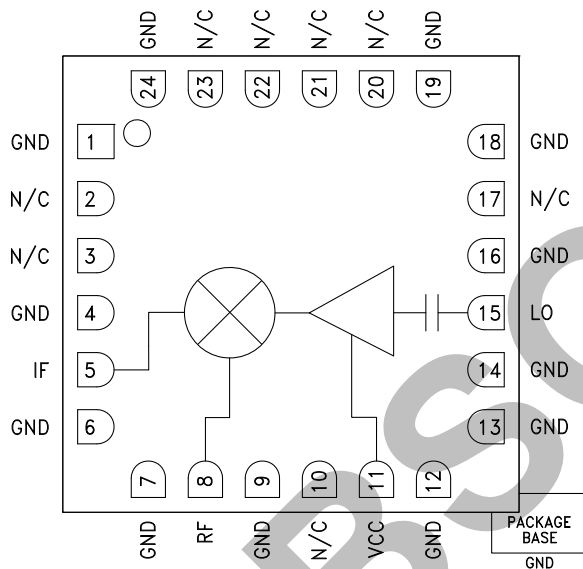
The HMC798LC4 is ideal for:

- Point-to-Point Radios
- Point-to-Multi-Point Radios & VSAT
- Test Equipment & Sensors
- Military End-Use
- SATCOM

### Features

- Integrated LO Amplifier: +4 dBm Input
- Sub-Harmonically Pumped (x2) LO
- Wideband IF: DC - 4 GHz
- Single Positive Supply: +5V @ 95mA
- 24 Lead 4x4mm SMT Package: 16mm<sup>2</sup>

### Functional Diagram



### General Description

The HMC798LC4 is a 24 - 34 GHz Sub-harmonically Pumped (x2) MMIC Mixer with an integrated LO amplifier in a leadless RoHS compliant SMT package. The 2LO to RF isolation is excellent at 30 dB, eliminating the need for additional filtering. The LO amplifier is a single bias +5V design with a nominal +4 dBm drive requirement. The RF and LO ports are matched to 50 Ohms for ease of use while the IF covers DC to 4 GHz. The HMC798LC4 eliminates the need for wire bonding, allowing use of surface mount manufacturing techniques.

### Electrical Specifications, $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$ , $V_{CC} = 5V$

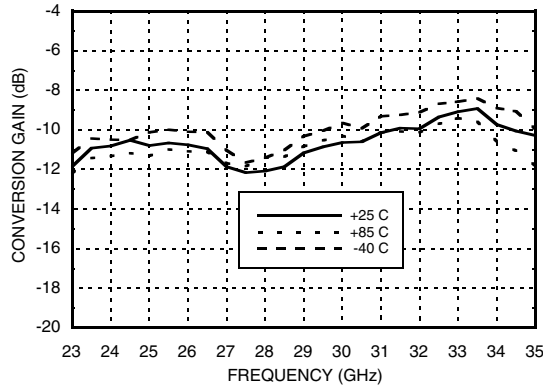
| Parameter                         | IF = 1 GHz<br>LO = 4 dBm |      |      | IF = 1 GHz<br>LO = 4 dBm |      |      | Units |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|------|------|--------------------------|------|------|-------|
|                                   | Min.                     | Typ. | Max. | Min.                     | Typ. | Max. |       |
| Frequency Range, RF               | 24 - 29.5                |      |      | 29.5 - 34                |      |      | GHz   |
| Frequency Range, LO               | 12 - 16                  |      |      | 13.5 - 17.75             |      |      | GHz   |
| Frequency Range, IF               | DC - 4                   |      |      | DC - 4                   |      |      | GHz   |
| Conversion Loss                   |                          | 11   | 13   |                          | 10   | 12   | dB    |
| 2LO to RF Isolation               | 25                       | 30   |      | 20                       | 25   |      | dB    |
| 2LO to IF Isolation               |                          | 45   |      |                          | 35   |      | dB    |
| IP3 (Input)                       | 17                       | 20   |      | 19                       | 22   |      | dBm   |
| 1 dB Compression (Input)          |                          | 10   |      |                          | 12   |      | dBm   |
| Supply Current (I <sub>dd</sub> ) |                          | 95   | 125  |                          | 95   | 125  | mA    |

\*Unless otherwise noted, all measurements performed as upconverter, IF= 1 GHz, LO = 4 dBm

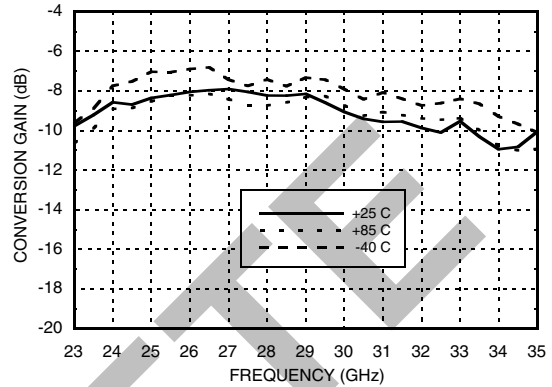


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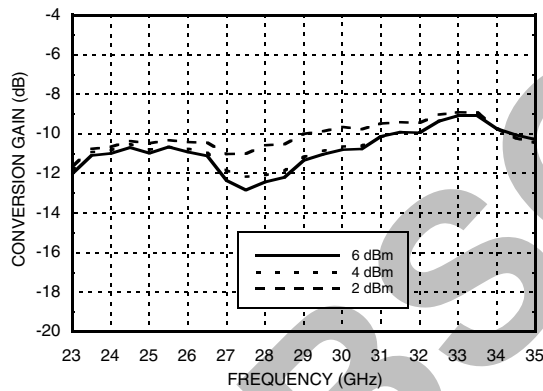
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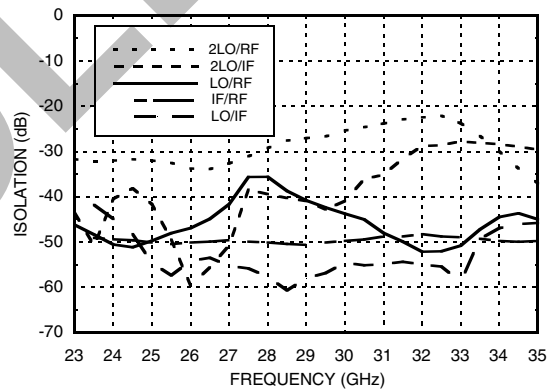
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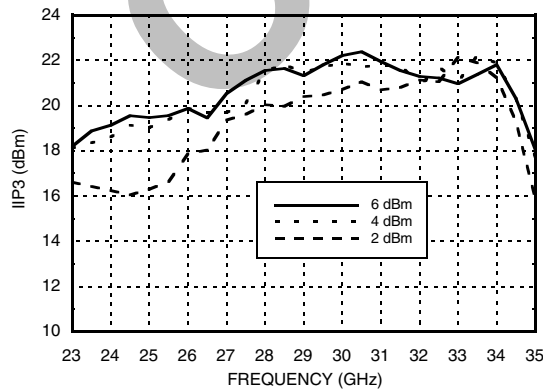
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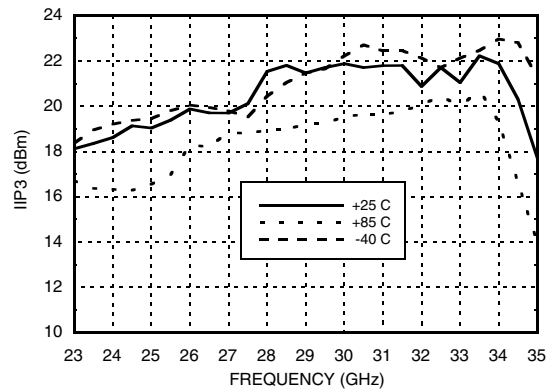
**Isolations**



**Input IP3 vs. LO Drive**



**Input IP3 vs. Temperature**



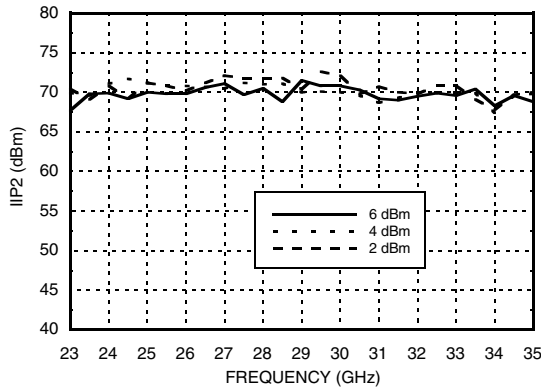
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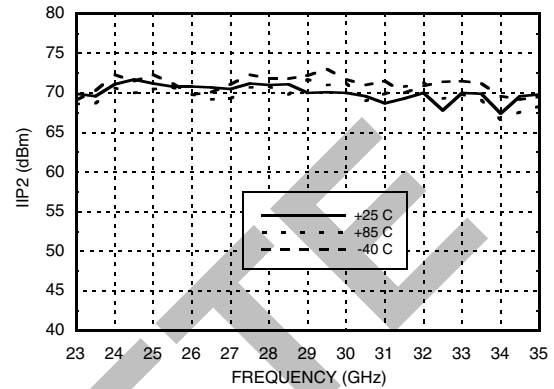


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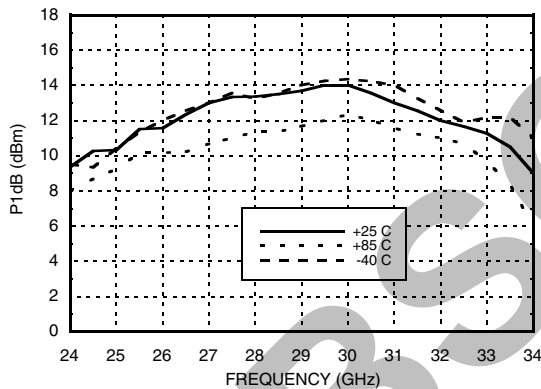
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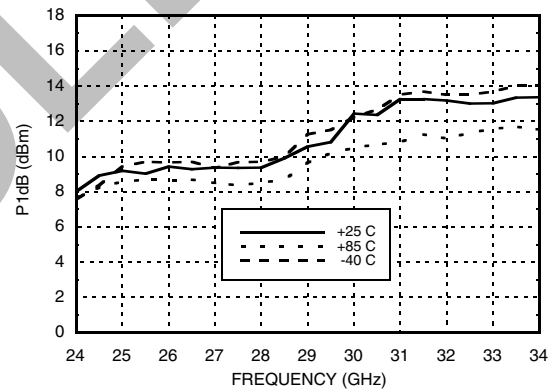
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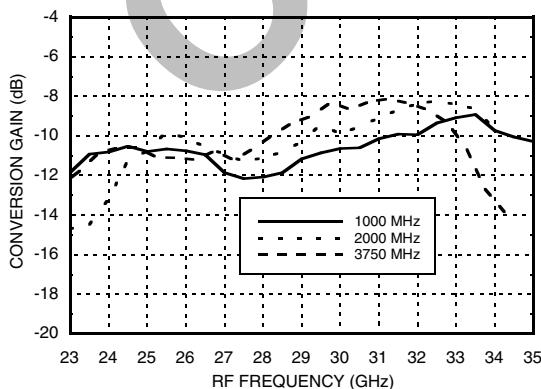
**Input P1dB vs. Temperature, LSB**



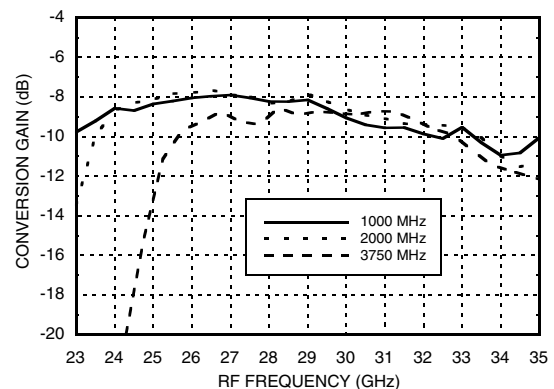
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**Conversion Gain vs. IF Frequency, LSB**



**Conversion Gain vs. IF Frequency, USB**

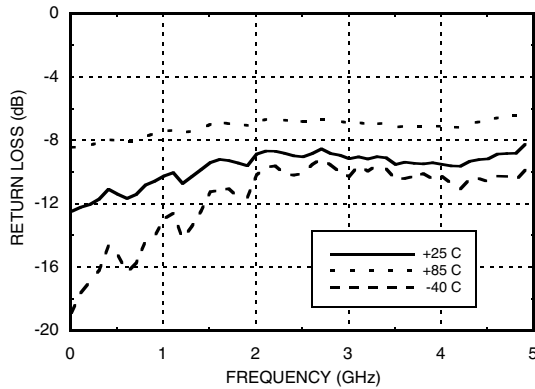


\* Two-tone input power = 0 dBm each tone, 1 MHz spacing.

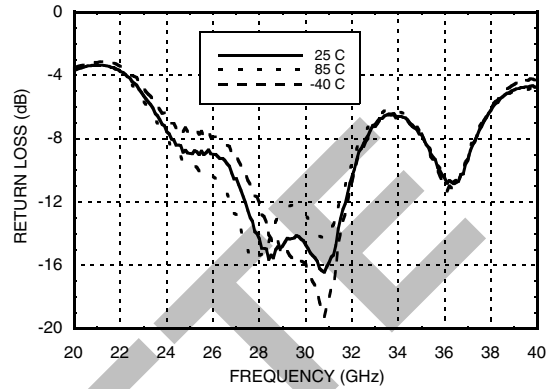


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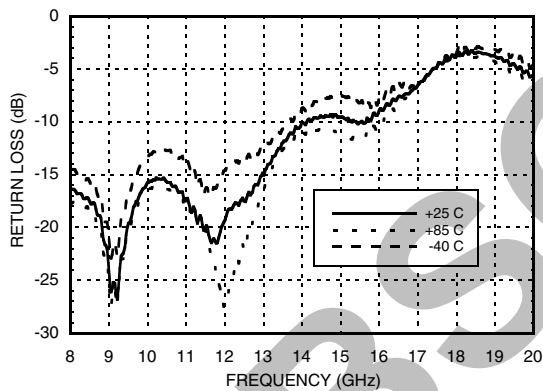
**IF Return Loss**



**RF Return Loss**



**LO Return Loss**



**MxN Spurious Outputs @ RF Port, Vdd = 5V**

| mIF | nLO |    |    |
|-----|-----|----|----|
|     | 2   | 1  | 0  |
| -3  | 68  |    |    |
| -2  | 53  | 71 | 66 |
| -1  | 0   | 49 | 32 |
| 0   | 1   | 31 |    |
| 1   | 1   | 45 | 31 |
| 2   | 54  | 66 | 65 |
| 3   | 66  |    |    |

IF = 2 GHz @ -10 dBm  
 LO = 15 GHz @ 4 dBm  
 All values in dBc below IF power level (2LO - 1IF)  
 Measured as upconverter



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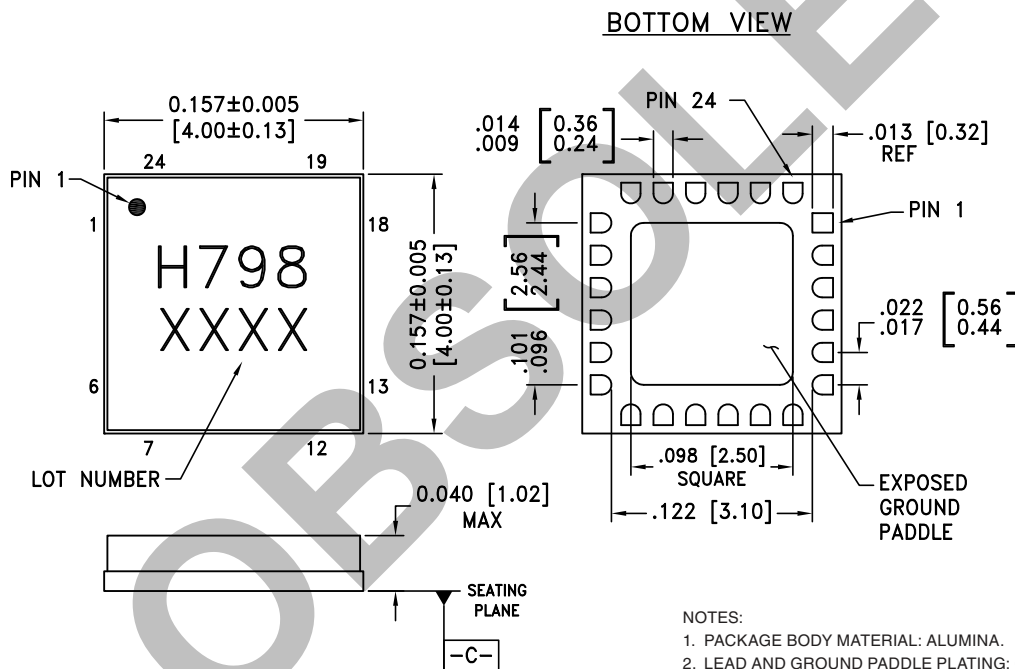
### Absolute Maximum Ratings

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| RF / IF Input (Vdd = +5V)  | +13 dBm        |
| LO Drive (Vdd = +5V)   | +10 dBm        |
| Vdd  | 5.5V           |
| Channel Temperature  | 175 °C         |
| Continuous P <sub>diss</sub> (Ta = 85 °C)<br>(derate 8.33 mW/°C above 85 °C) | 0.75 mW        |
| Thermal Resistance<br>(junction to ground paddle)                            | 119 °C/W       |
| Storage Temperature  | -65 to +150 °C |
| Operating Temperature  | -40 to +85 °C  |



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### Outline Drawing



NOTES:

1. PACKAGE BODY MATERIAL: ALUMINA.
2. LEAD AND GROUND PADDLE PLATING: GOLD FLASH OVER NICKEL.
3. DIMENSIONS ARE IN INCHES (MILLIMETERS).
4. LEAD SPACING TOLERANCE IS NON-CUMULATIVE.
5. CHARACTERS TO BE HELVETICA MEDIUM, .025 HIGH, BLACK INK, OR LASER MARK LOCATED APPROX. AS SHOWN.
6. PACKAGE WARP SHALL NOT EXCEED 0.05MM DATUM  $\square-C$
7. ALL GROUND LEADS AND GROUND PADDLE MUST BE SOLDERED TO PCB RF GROUND.



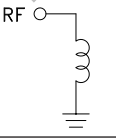
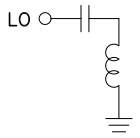
### Package Information

| Part Number | Package Body Material | Lead Finish      | MSL Rating          | Package Marking <sup>[2]</sup> |
|-------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| HMC798LC4   | Alumina, White        | Gold over Nickel | MSL3 <sup>[1]</sup> | H798<br>XXXX                   |

[1] Max peak reflow temperature of 260 °C

[2] 4-Digit lot number XXXX


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**Pin Descriptions**

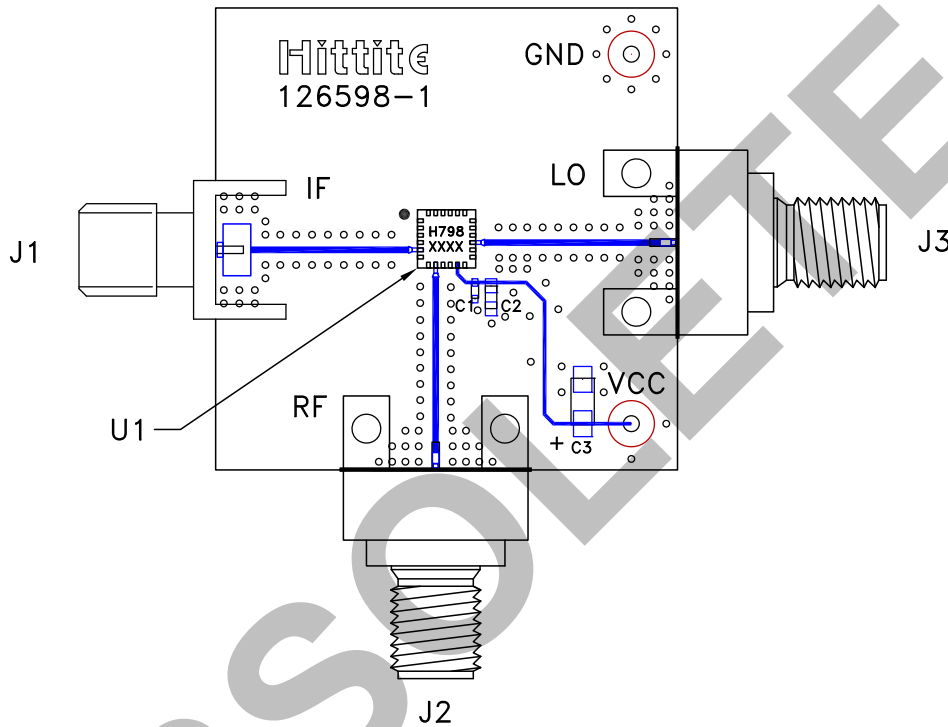
| Pin Number                                   | Function | Description  | Interface Schematic  |
|--|----------|--|--|
| 1, 4, 6, 7, 9,<br>12 - 14, 16, 18,<br>19, 24 | GND      | These pins and package bottom must be connected to RF/DC ground.   |   |
| 2, 3, 10, 17,<br>20 - 23                     | N/C      | No connection required. The pins are not connected internally; however, all data shown herein was measured with these pins connected to RF/DC ground externally.   |  |
| 5  | IF       | This pin is DC coupled and should be DC blocked externally using a series capacitor whose value has been chosen to pass the necessary IF frequency range. Any applied DC voltage to this pin will result in die non-function and possible die failure. |   |
| 8  | RF       | This pin is DC coupled and matched to 50 Ohms.   |   |
| 11   | Vcc      | Power supply for the LO Amplifier.   |  |
| 15   | LO       | This pin is DC blocked and matched to 50 Ohms.   |  |

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**Evaluation PCB**



**List of Materials for Evaluation PCB 126601 [1]**

| Item    | Description                       |
|---------|-----------------------------------|
| J1 - J3 | PCB Mount SMA RF Connector        |
| J2, J3  | PCB Mount SRI K Connector         |
| J4, J5  | DC Pin                            |
| C1      | 100 pF Capacitor, 0402 Pkg.       |
| C2      | 10,000 pF Capacitor, 0603 Pkg.    |
| C3      | 4.7 μF Tantalum Capacitor, Case A |
| U1      | HMC798LC4 Mixer                   |
| PCB [2] | 126598 Evaluation PCB             |

[1] Reference this number when ordering complete evaluation PCB

[2] Circuit Board Material: Arlon 25FR or Rogers 4350

The circuit board used in this application should use RF circuit design techniques. Signal lines should have 50 Ohm impedance while the package ground leads and exposed paddle should be connected directly to the ground plane similar to that shown. A sufficient number of via holes should be used to connect the top and bottom ground planes. The evaluation board should be mounted to an appropriate heat sink. The evaluation circuit board shown is available from Hittite upon request.

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