



# 3V/5V, 6dB Video Buffer with Sync-Tip Clamp and 150nA Shutdown Current

MAX4090

## General Description

The MAX4090 3V/5V, 6dB video buffer with sync-tip clamp, and low-power shutdown mode is available in tiny SOT23 and SC70 packages. The MAX4090 is designed to drive DC-coupled, 150Ω back-terminated video loads in portable video applications such as digital still cams, portable DVD players, digital camcorders, PDAs, video-enabled cell phones, portable game systems, and notebook computers. The input clamp positions the video waveform at the output and allows the MAX4090 to be used as a DC-coupled output driver.

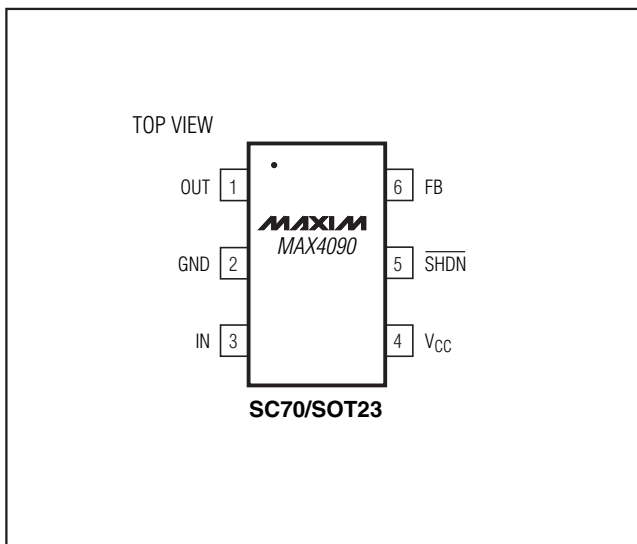
The MAX4090 operates from a single 2.7V to 5.5V supply and consumes only 6.5mA of supply current. The low-power shutdown mode reduces the supply current to 150nA, making the MAX4090 ideal for low-voltage, battery-powered video applications.

The MAX4090 is available in tiny 6-pin SOT23 and SC70 packages and is specified over the extended -40°C to +85°C temperature range.

## Applications

Portable Video/Game Systems/DVD Players  
 Digital Camcorders/Televisions/Still Cameras  
 PDAs  
 Video-Enabled Cell Phones  
 Notebook Computers  
 Portable/Flat-Panel Displays

## Pin Configuration



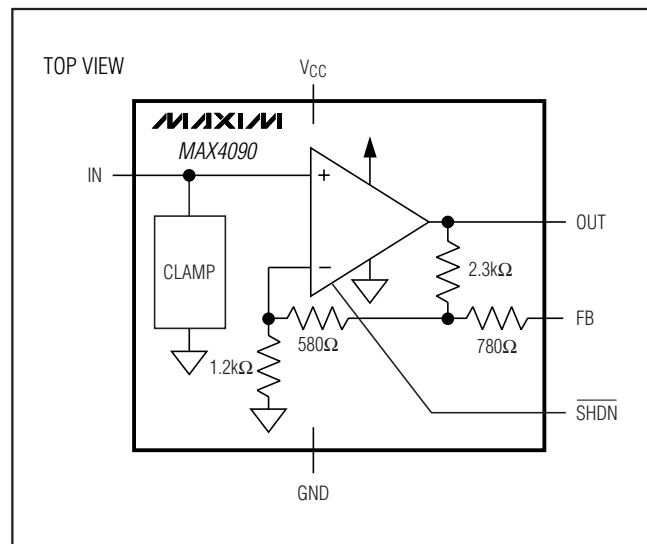
## Features

- ◆ Single-Supply Operation from 2.7V to 5.5V
- ◆ Input Sync-Tip Clamp
- ◆ DC-Coupled Output
- ◆ Low-Power Shutdown Mode Reduces Supply Current to 150nA
- ◆ Available in Space-Saving SOT23 and SC70 Packages

## Ordering Information

| PART         | TEMP RANGE     | PIN-PACKAGE | TOP MARK |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|----------|
| MAX4090EXT-T | -40°C to +85°C | 6 SC70-6    | ABM      |
| MAX4090EUT-T | -40°C to +85°C | 6 SOT23-6   | ABOX     |

## Block Diagram



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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

V<sub>CC</sub> to GND ..... -0.3V to +6V  
 OUT, FB,  $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$  to GND ..... -0.3V to (V<sub>CC</sub> + 0.3V)  
 IN to GND (Note 1) ..... V<sub>CLP</sub> to (V<sub>CC</sub> + 0.3V)  
 IN Short-Circuit Duration from -0.3V to V<sub>CLP</sub> ..... 1min  
 Output Short-Circuit Duration to V<sub>CC</sub> or GND ..... Continuous  
 Continuous Power Dissipation (T<sub>A</sub> = +70°C)  
   6-Pin SOT23 (derate 8.7mW/°C above +70°C) ..... 695mW  
   6-Pin SC70 (derate 3.1mW/°C above +70°C) ..... 245mW

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

**Note 1:** V<sub>CLP</sub> is the input clamp voltage as defined in the DC Electrical Characteristics table.

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

## DC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(V<sub>CC</sub> = 3.0V, GND = 0V, C<sub>IN</sub> = 0.1μF from IN to GND, R<sub>L</sub> = infinity to GND, FB shorted to OUT,  $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$  = 3.0V, T<sub>A</sub> = -40°C to +85°C. Typical values are at T<sub>A</sub> = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.) (Note 2)

| PARAMETER                                     | SYMBOL                         | CONDITIONS  |                       | MIN              | TYP              | MAX                   | UNITS |
|---|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------|
| Supply Voltage Range                          | V <sub>CC</sub>                | Guaranteed by PSRR  |                       | 2.7              |                  | 5.5                   | V     |
| Quiescent Supply Current                      | I <sub>CC</sub>                | V <sub>IN</sub> = V <sub>CLP</sub>                                | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3V  |                  | 6.5              | 10                    | mA    |
|   |                                |   | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V  |                  | 6.5              | 10                    |       |
| Shutdown Supply Current                       | I $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$     | $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$ = 0V                                     |                       |                  | 0.15             | 1                     | μA    |
| Input Clamp Voltage                           | V <sub>CLP</sub>               | Input referred  |                       | 0.27             | 0.38             | 0.47                  | V     |
| Input Voltage Range                           | V <sub>IN</sub>                | Inferred from voltage gain (Note 3)                               |                       | V <sub>CLP</sub> |                  | 1.45                  | V     |
| Input Bias Current                            | I <sub>BIAS</sub>              | V <sub>IN</sub> = 1.45V   |                       |                  | 22.5             | 35                    | μA    |
| Input Resistance                              |                                | V <sub>CLP</sub> + 0.5V < V <sub>IN</sub> < V <sub>CLP</sub> + 1V |                       |                  | 3                |                       | MΩ    |
| Voltage Gain                                  | A <sub>V</sub>                 | R <sub>L</sub> = 150Ω, 0.5V < V <sub>IN</sub> < 1.45V (Note 4)    |                       | 1.9              | 2                | 2.1                   | V/V   |
| Power-Supply Rejection Ratio                  | PSRR                           | 2.7V < V <sub>CC</sub> < 5.5V                                     |                       | 60               | 80               |                       | dB    |
| Output Voltage High Swing                     | V <sub>OH</sub>                | R <sub>L</sub> = 150Ω to GND                                      | V <sub>CC</sub> = 3V  | 2.55             | 2.7              |                       | V     |
|   |                                |   | V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V  | 4.3              | 4.6              |                       |       |
| Output Voltage Low Swing                      | V <sub>OL</sub>                | R <sub>L</sub> = 150Ω to GND                                      |                       |                  | V <sub>CLP</sub> | 0.47                  | V     |
| Output Current                                | I <sub>OUT</sub>               | Sourcing, R <sub>L</sub> = 20Ω to GND                             |                       | 45               | 85               |                       | mA    |
|   |                                | Sinking, R <sub>L</sub> = 20Ω to V <sub>CC</sub>                  |                       | 40               | 85               |                       |       |
| Output Short-Circuit Current                  | I <sub>SC</sub>                | OUT shorted to V <sub>CC</sub> or GND                             |                       |                  | 110              |                       | mA    |
| $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$ Logic-Low Threshold  | V <sub>IL</sub>                |   |                       |                  |                  | V <sub>CC</sub> × 0.3 | V     |
| $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$ Logic-High Threshold | V <sub>IH</sub>                |   |                       |                  |                  | V <sub>CC</sub> × 0.7 | V     |
| $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$ Input Current        | I <sub>IH</sub>                |   |                       |                  | 0.003            | 1                     | μA    |
| Shutdown Output Impedance                     | R <sub>OUT</sub><br>(Disabled) | $\overline{\text{SHDN}}$ = 0V                                     | At DC                 |                  | 4                |                       | kΩ    |
|   |                                |   | At 3.58MHz or 4.43MHz |                  | 2                |                       |       |

# 3V/5V, 6dB Video Buffer with Sync-Tip Clamp and 150nA Shutdown Current

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## AC ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

( $V_{CC} = 3.0V$ ,  $GND = 0V$ , FB shorted to OUT,  $C_{IN} = 0.1\mu F$ ,  $R_{IN} = 75\Omega$  to GND,  $R_L = 150\Omega$  to GND,  $\overline{SHDN} = V_{CC}$ ,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ , unless otherwise noted.)

| PARAMETER                        | SYMBOL                | CONDITIONS   |               | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS      |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|---------------|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| Small-Signal -3dB Bandwidth      | BW <sub>SS</sub>      | $V_{OUT} = 100mV_{P-P}$  |               |     | 55  |     | MHz        |
| Large-Signal -3dB Bandwidth      | BW <sub>LS</sub>      | $V_{OUT} = 2V_{P-P}$   |               |     | 45  |     | MHz        |
| Small-Signal 0.1dB Gain Flatness | BW <sub>0.1dBSS</sub> | $V_{OUT} = 100mV_{P-P}$  |               |     | 25  |     | MHz        |
| Large-Signal 0.1dB Gain Flatness | BW <sub>0.1dBLS</sub> | $V_{OUT} = 2V_{P-P}$   |               |     | 17  |     | MHz        |
| Slew Rate                        | SR                    | $V_{OUT} = 2V$ step  |               |     | 275 |     | V/ $\mu s$ |
| Settling Time to 0.1%            | $t_s$                 | $V_{OUT} = 2V$ step  |               |     | 25  |     | ns         |
| Power-Supply Rejection Ratio     | PSRR                  | $f = 100kHz$   |               |     | 50  |     | dB         |
| Output Impedance                 | $Z_{OUT}$             | $f = 5MHz$   |               |     | 2.5 |     | $\Omega$   |
| Differential Gain                | DG                    | NTSC   | $V_{CC} = 3V$ |     | 1   |     | %          |
|                                  |                       |  | $V_{CC} = 5V$ |     | 0.5 |     |            |
| Differential Phase               | DP                    | NTSC   | $V_{CC} = 3V$ |     | 0.8 |     | Degrees    |
|                                  |                       |  | $V_{CC} = 5V$ |     | 0.5 |     |            |
| Group Delay                      | D/dT                  | $f = 3.58MHz$ or $4.43MHz$   |               |     | 20  |     | ns         |
| Peak Signal to RMS Noise         | SNR                   | $V_{IN} = 1V_{P-P}$ , 10MHz BW   |               |     | 65  |     | dB         |
| Droop                            |                       | $C_{IN} = 0.1\mu F$ (Note 4)   |               |     | 2   | 3   | %          |
| $\overline{SHDN}$ Enable Time    | $t_{ON}$              | $V_{IN} = V_{CLP} + 1V$ , $\overline{SHDN} = 3V$ , $V_{OUT}$ settled to within 1% of the final voltage |               |     | 250 |     | ns         |
| $\overline{SHDN}$ Disable Time   | $t_{OFF}$             | $V_{IN} = V_{CLP} + 1V$ , $\overline{SHDN} = 0V$ , $V_{OUT}$ settled to below 1% of the output voltage |               |     | 50  |     | ns         |

**Note 2:** All devices are 100% production tested at  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ . Specifications over temperature limits are guaranteed by design.

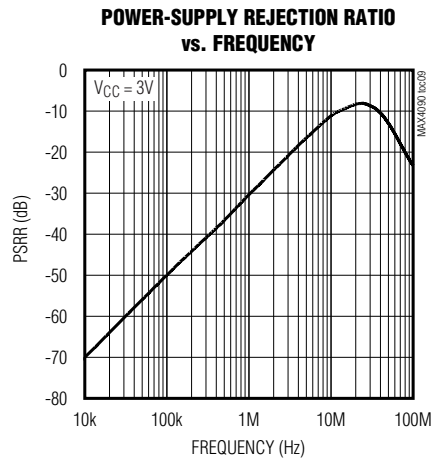
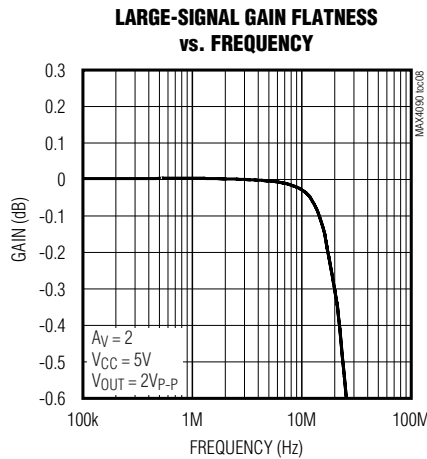
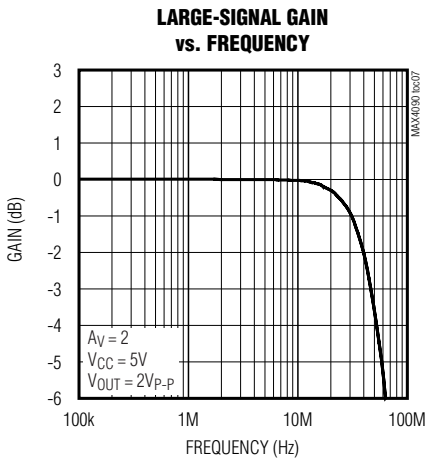
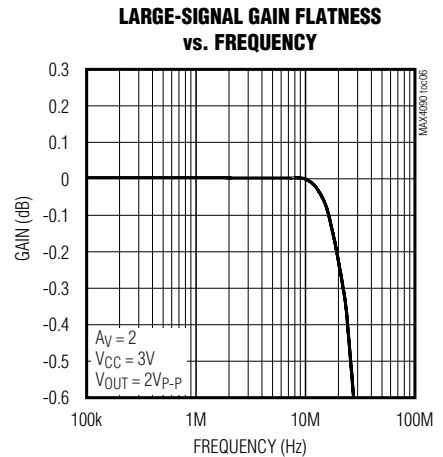
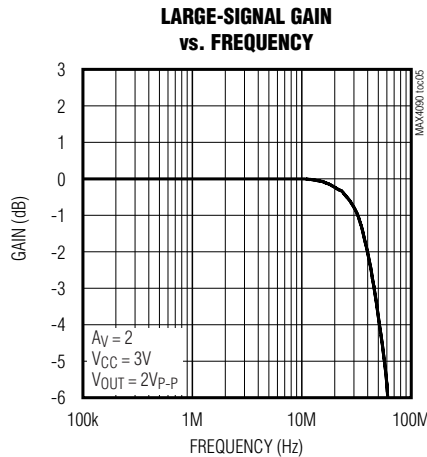
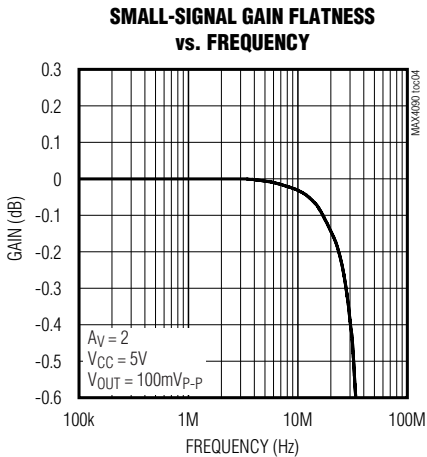
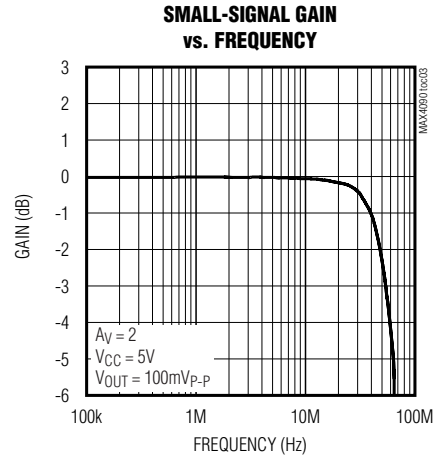
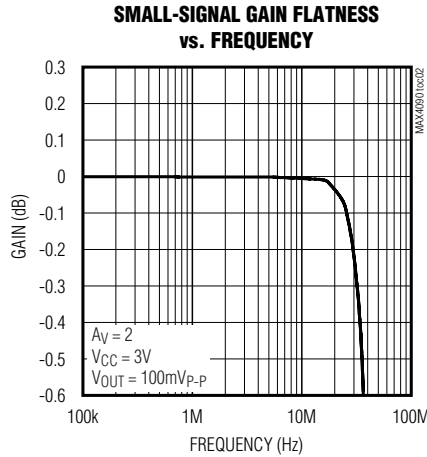
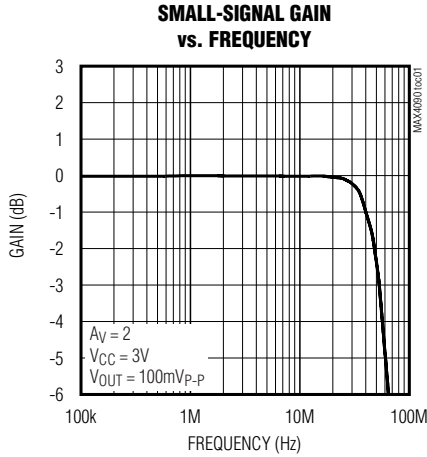
**Note 3:** Voltage gain ( $A_V$ ) is referenced to the clamp voltage, i.e., an input voltage of  $V_{IN} = V_{CLP} + V_I$  would produce an output voltage of  $V_{OUT} = V_{CLP} + A_V \times V_I$ .

**Note 4:** Droop is guaranteed by the Input Bias Current specification.

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## Typical Operating Characteristics

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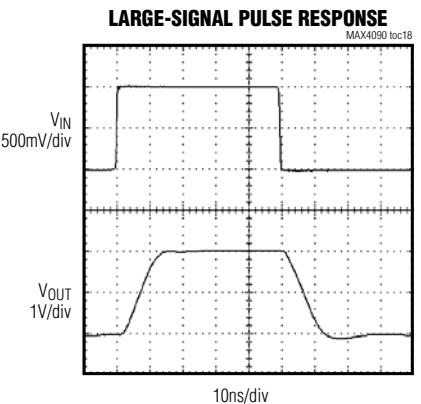
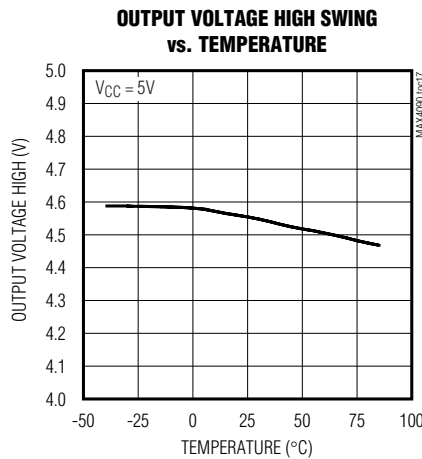
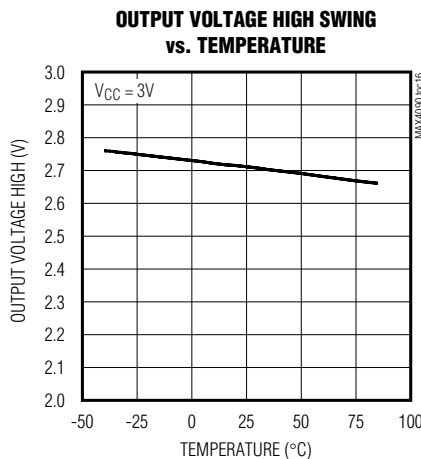
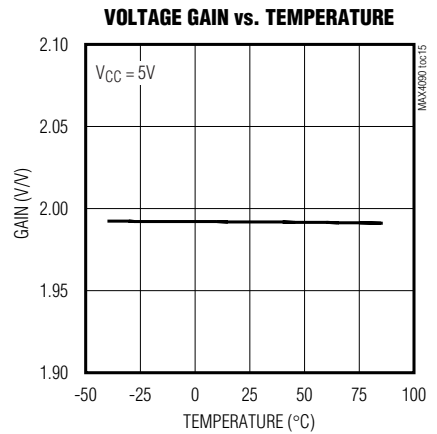
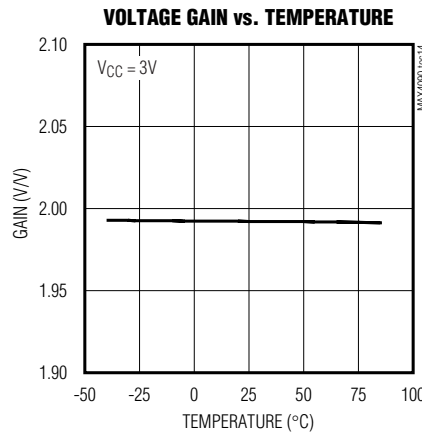
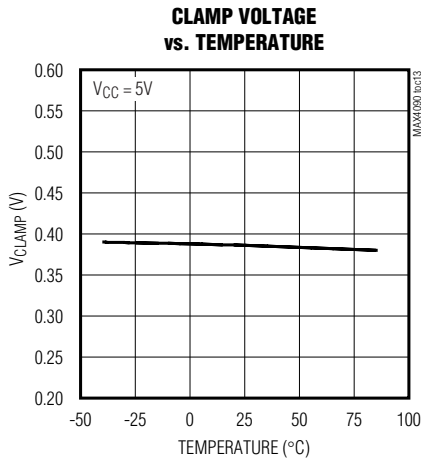
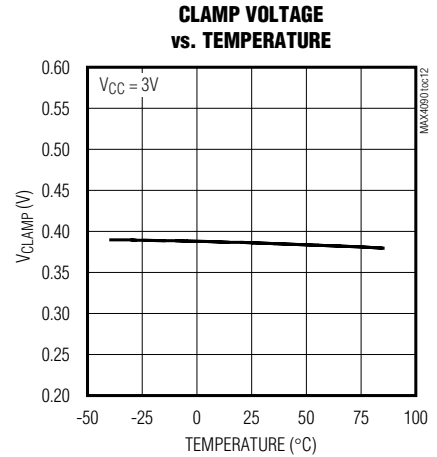
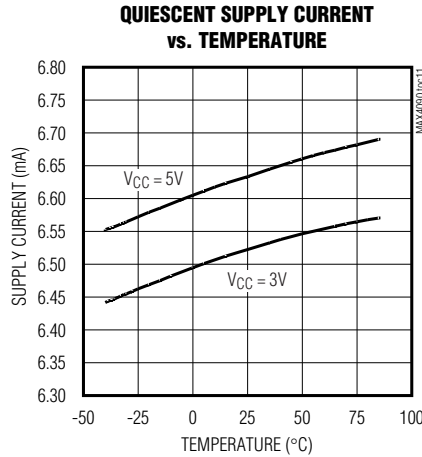
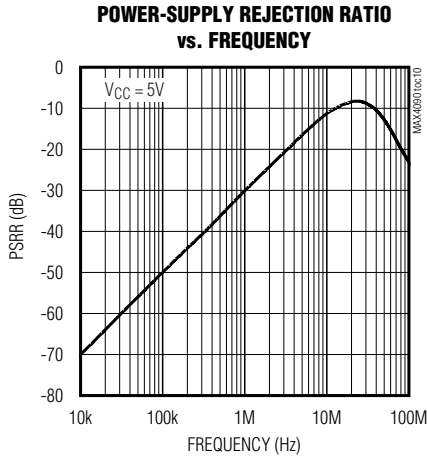


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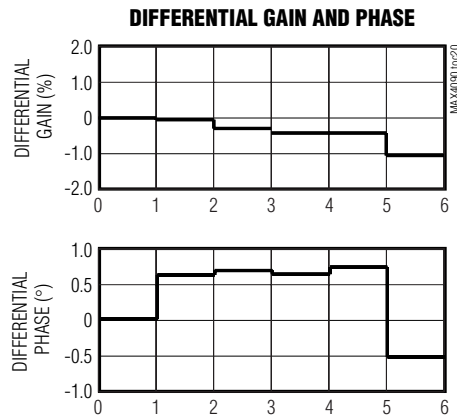
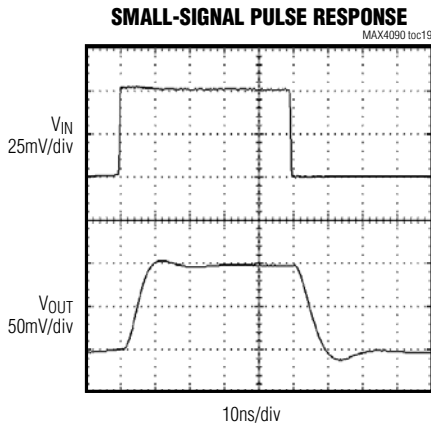
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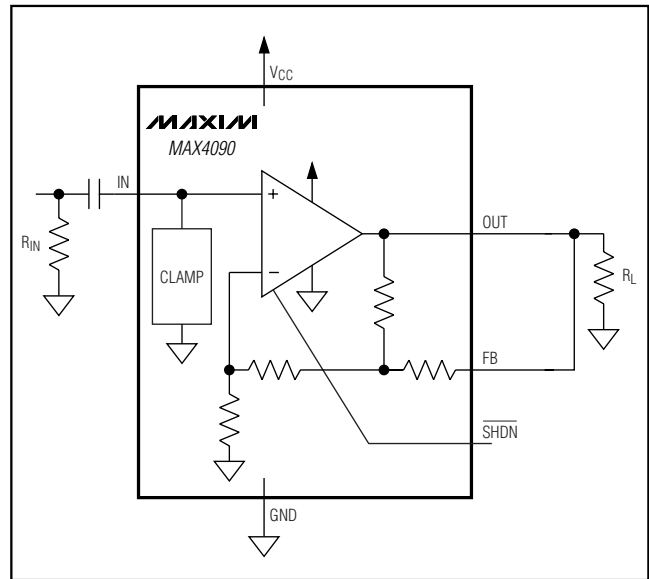
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## Pin Description

| PIN | NAME              | FUNCTION  |
|-----|-------------------|---|
| 1   | OUT               | Video Output  |
| 2   | GND               | Ground  |
| 3   | IN                | Video Input   |
| 4   | $V_{CC}$          | Power-Supply Voltage. Bypass with a $0.1\mu F$ capacitor to ground as close to pin as possible. |
| 5   | $\overline{SHDN}$ | Shutdown. Pull $\overline{SHDN}$ low to place the MAX4090 in low-power shutdown mode.           |
| 6   | FB                | Feedback. Connect to OUT.   |

## Typical Application Circuit



# 3V/5V, 6dB Video Buffer with Sync-Tip Clamp and 150nA Shutdown Current

## Detailed Description

The MAX4090 3V/5V, 6dB video buffer with sync-tip clamp and low-power shutdown mode is available in tiny SOT23 and SC70 packages. The MAX4090 is designed to drive DC-coupled, 150Ω back-terminated video loads in portable video applications such as digital still cams, portable DVD players, digital camcorders, PDAs, video-enabled cell phones, portable game systems, and notebook computers. The input clamp positions the video waveform at the output and allows the MAX4090 to be used as a DC-coupled output driver.

The MAX4090 operates from a single 2.7V to 5.5V supply and consumes only 6.5mA of supply current. The low-power shutdown mode reduces the supply current to 150nA, making the MAX4090 ideal for low-voltage, battery-powered video applications.

The input signal to the MAX4090 is AC-coupled through a capacitor into an active sync-tip clamp circuit, which places the minimum of the video signal at approximately 0.38V. The output buffer amplifies the video signal while still maintaining the 0.38V clamp voltage at the output. For example, if  $V_{IN} = 0.38V$ , then  $V_{OUT} = 0.38V$ . If  $V_{IN} = (0.38V + 1V) = 1.38V$ , then  $V_{OUT} = (0.38V + 2 \times (1V)) = 2.38V$ . The net result is that a 2V video output signal swings within the usable output voltage range of the output buffer when  $V_{CC} = 3V$ .

### Shutdown Mode

The MAX4090 features a low-power shutdown mode ( $I_{SHDN} = 150nA$ ) for battery-powered/portable applications. Pulling the SHDN pin high enables the output. Connecting the SHDN pin to ground (GND) disables the output and places the MAX4090 into a low-power shutdown mode.

## Applications Information

### Input Coupling the MAX4090

The MAX4090 input must be AC-coupled because the input capacitor stores the clamp voltage. The MAX4090 requires a typical value of 0.1μF for the input clamp to meet the Line Droop specification. A minimum of a ceramic capacitor with an X7R temperature coefficient is recommended to avoid temperature-related problems with Line Droop. For extended temperature operation, such as outdoor applications, or where the impressed voltage is close to the rated voltage of the capacitor, a film dielectric is recommended. Increasing the capacitor value slows the clamp capture time. Values above 0.5μF should be avoided since they do not improve the clamp's performance.

The active sync-tip clamp also requires that the input impedance seen by the input capacitor be less than 100Ω typically to function properly. This is easily met by the 75Ω input resistor prior to the input-coupling capacitor and the back termination from a prior stage. Insufficient input resistance to ground causes the MAX4090 to appear to oscillate. Never operate the MAX4090 in this mode.

### Using the MAX4090 with the Reconstruction Filter

In most video applications, the video signal generated from the DAC requires a reconstruction filter to smooth out the signal and attenuate the sampling aliases. The MAX4090 is a direct DC-coupled output driver, which can be used after the reconstruction filter to drive the video signal. The driving load from the video DAC can be varied from 75Ω to 300Ω. A low input impedance (<100Ω) is required by the MAX4090 in normal operation, special care must be taken when a reconstruction filter is used in front of the MAX4090.

For standard video signal, the video passband is about 6MHz and the system oversampling frequency is at 27MHz. Normally, a 9MHz BW lowpass filter can be used for the reconstruction filter. This section demonstrates the methods to build simple 2nd- and 3rd-order passive Butterworth lowpass filters at the 9MHz cutoff frequency and the techniques to use them with the MAX4090 (Figures 1 and 4).

### 2nd-Order Butterworth Lowpass Filter Realization

Table 1 shows the normalized 2nd-order Butterworth LPF component values at 1rad/s with a source/load impedance of 1Ω.

With the following equations, the L and C can be calculated for the cutoff frequency at 9MHz. Table 2 shows the appropriated L and C values for different source/load impedance, the bench measurement values for the -3dB BW and attenuation at 27MHz. There is approximately 20dB attenuation at 27MHz, which effectively attenuates the sampling aliases. The MAX4090 requires low input impedance for stable operation and it does not like the reactive input impedance. For R1/R2 greater than 100Ω, a series resistor R<sub>IS</sub> (Figure 1)

**Table 1. 2nd Order Butterworth Lowpass Filter Normalized Values**

| Rn1 = Rn2 (Ω) | Cn1 (F) | Ln1 (H) |
|---------------|---------|---------|
| 1             | 1.414   | 1.414   |

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between 20Ω to 100Ω is needed to isolate the input capacitor (C4) to the filter to prevent the oscillation problem.

$$C = \frac{C_n}{2\pi f_C R_L} \quad L = \frac{L_n R_L}{2\pi f_C}$$

Figure 2 shows the frequency response for R1 = R2 = 150Ω. At 6MHz, the attenuation is about 1.4dB. The attenuation at 27MHz is about 20dB. Figure 3 shows the multiburst response for R1 = R2 = 150Ω.

### 3rd-Order Butterworth Lowpass Filter Realization

If more flat passband and more stopband attenuation are needed, a 3rd-order LPF can be used. The design procedures are similar to the 2nd-order butterworth LPF.

Table 3 shows the normalized 3rd-order butterworth lowpass filter with the cutoff frequency at 1 rad/s and the stopband frequency at 3 rad/s. Table 4 shows the appropriated L and C values for different source/load impedance and the bench measurement values for -3dB BW and attenuation at 27MHz. The attenuation is over 40dB at 27MHz. At 6MHz, the attenuation is approximately 0.6dB for R1 = R2 = 150Ω (Figure 5).

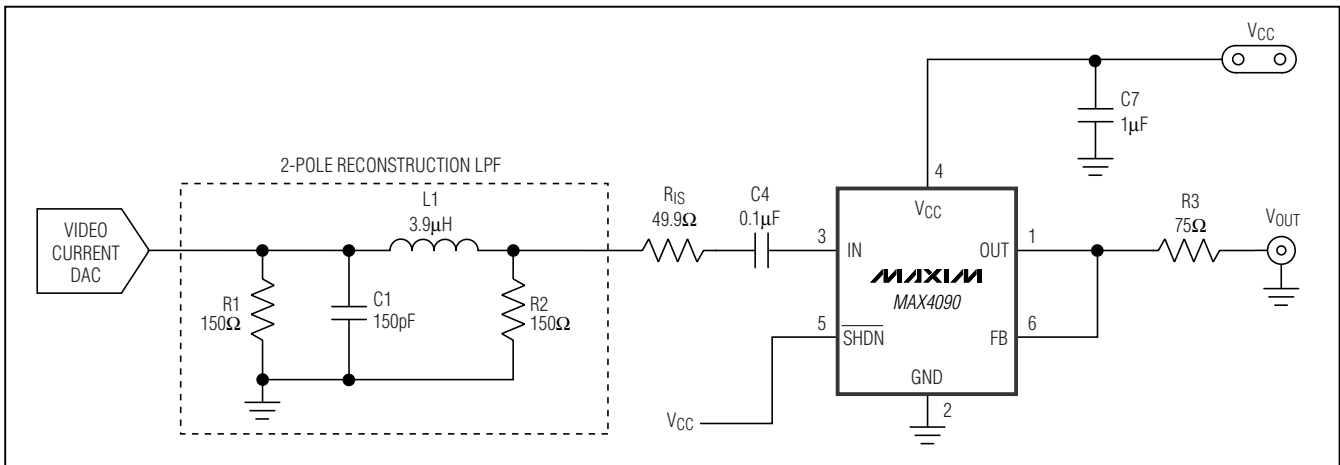


Figure 1. 2nd-Order Butterworth LPF with MAX4090

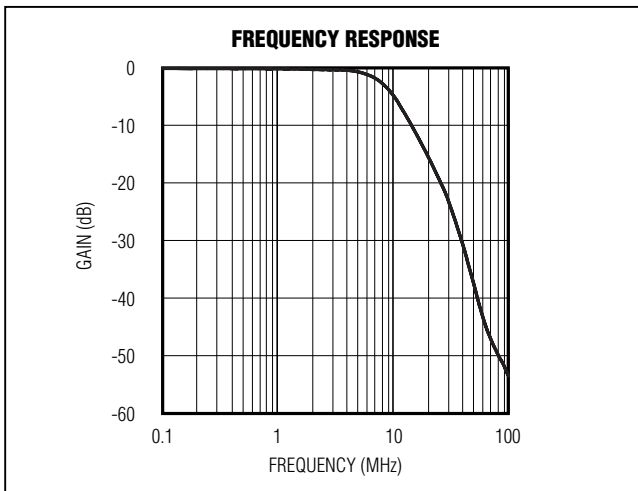


Figure 2. Frequency Response

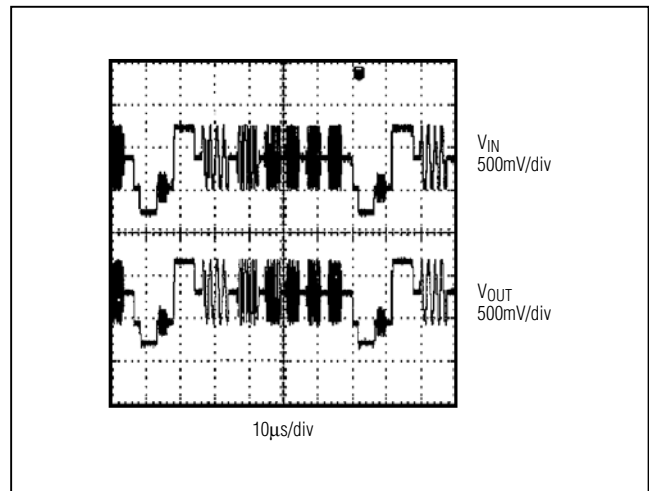


Figure 3. Multiburst Response



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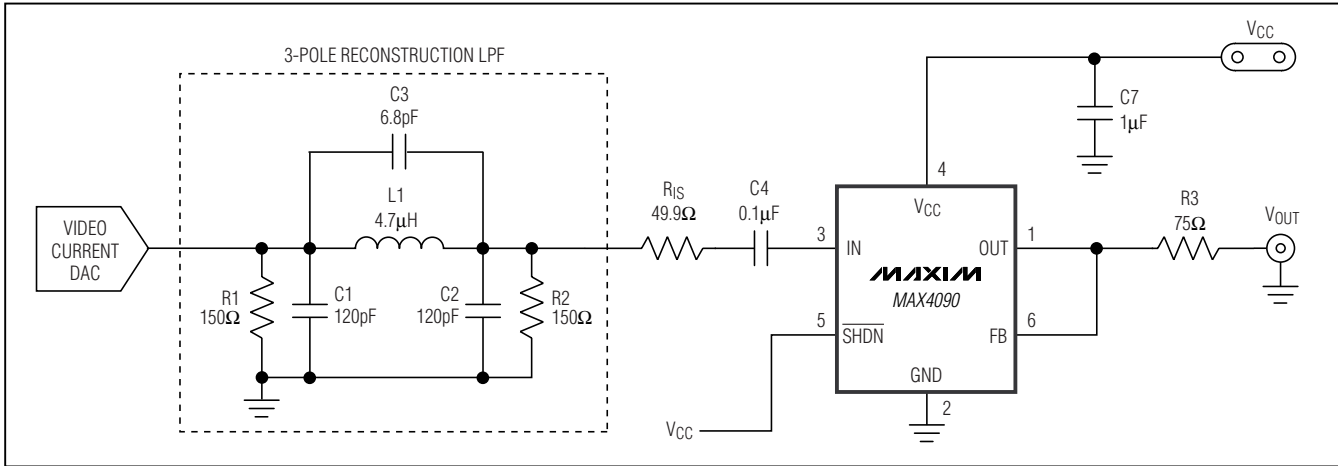


Figure 4. 3rd-Order Butterworth LPF with MAX4090

**Table 2. Bench Measurement Values**

| R1 = R2 (Ω) | C1 (pf) | L1 (μH) | RIS (Ω) | 3dB BW (MHz) | ATTENUATION AT 27MHz (dB) |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|--------------|---------------------------|
| 75          | 330     | 1.8     | 0       | 8.7          | 20                        |
| 150         | 150     | 3.9     | 50      | 9.0          | 20                        |
| 200         | 120     | 4.7     | 50      | 9.3          | 22                        |
| 300         | 82      | 8.2     | 100     | 8.7          | 20                        |

**Table 3. 3rd-Order Butterworth Lowpass Filter Normalized Values**

| Rn1 = Rn2 (Ω) | Cn1 (F) | Cn2 (F) | Cn3 (F) | Ln1 (H) |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1             | 0.923   | 0.923   | 0.06    | 1.846   |

**Table 4. Bench Measurement Values**

| R1 = R2 (Ω) | C1 (pF) | C2 (pF) | C3 (pF) | L (μH) | RIS (Ω) | 3dB BW (MHz) | ATTENUATION AT 27MHz (dB) |
|-------------|---------|---------|---------|--------|---------|--------------|---------------------------|
| 75          | 220     | 220     | 15.0    | 2.2    | 0       | 9.3          | 43                        |
| 150         | 120     | 120     | 6.8     | 4.7    | 50      | 8.9          | 50                        |
| 300         | 56      | 56      | 3.3     | 10.0   | 100     | 9.0          | 45                        |

### Sag Correction

In a 5V application, the MAX4090 can use the sag configuration if an AC-coupled output video signal is required. Sag correction refers to the low-frequency compensation for the highpass filter formed by the 150Ω load and the output capacitor. In video applications, the cutoff frequency must be low enough to pass the vertical sync interval to avoid field tilt. This cutoff frequency should be less than 5Hz, and the coupling capacitor must be very large in normal configuration,

typically > 220μF. In sag configuration, the MAX4090 eliminates the need for large coupling capacitors, and instead requires two 22μF capacitors (Figure 6) to reach the same performance as the large capacitor. Bench experiments show that increasing the output coupling capacitor C5 beyond 47μF does not improve the performance. If the supply voltage is less than 4.5V, the sag correction is not recommended for the MAX4090.

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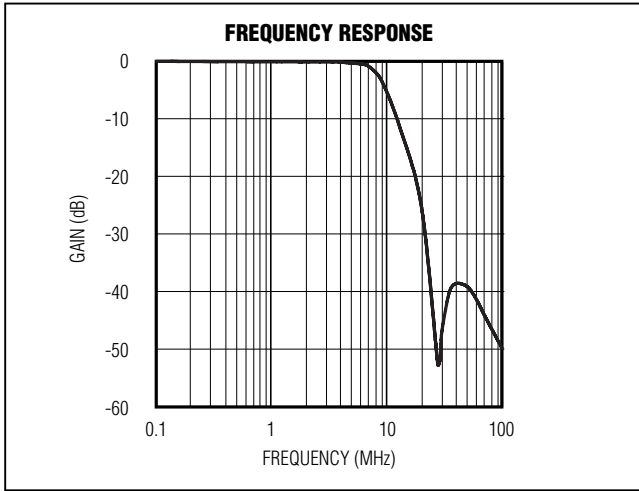


Figure 5. Frequency Response for  $R1 = R2 = 150\Omega$

## Layout and Power-Supply Bypassing

The MAX4090 operates from single 2.7V to 5.5V supply. Bypass the supply with a 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor as close to the pin as possible. Maxim recommends using microstrip and stripline techniques to obtain full bandwidth. To ensure that the PC board does not degrade the device's performance, design it for a frequency greater than 1GHz. Pay careful attention to inputs and outputs to avoid large parasitic capacitance. Whether or not you use a constant-impedance board, observe the following design guidelines:

- Do not use wire-wrap boards; they are too inductive.
- Do not use IC sockets; they increase parasitic capacitance and inductance.
- Use surface-mount instead of through-hole components for better, high-frequency performance.
- Use a PC board with at least two layers; it should be as free from voids as possible.
- Keep signal lines as short and as straight as possible. Do not make 90° turns; round all corners.

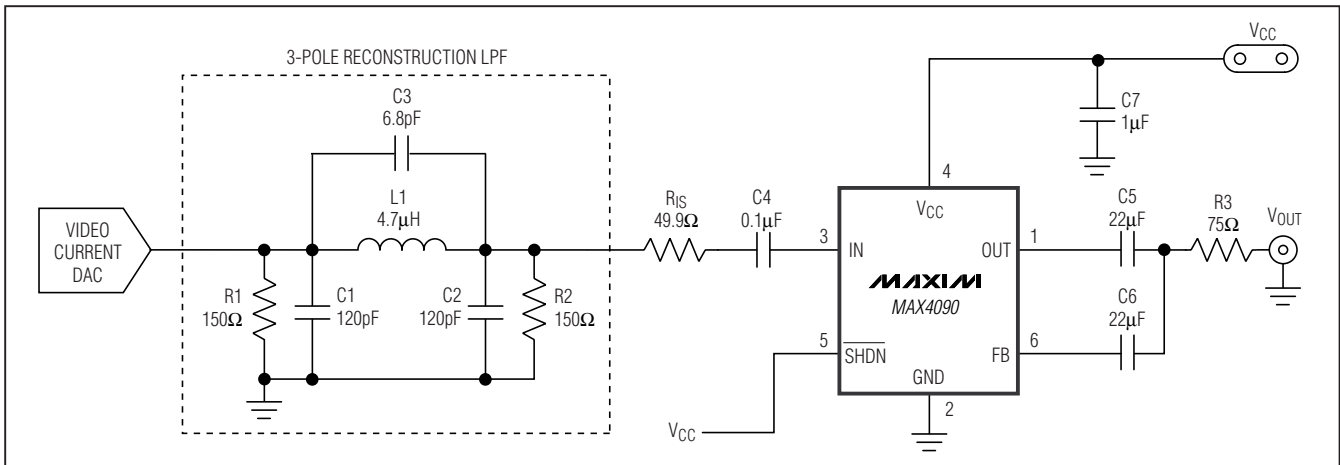


Figure 6. Sag Correction Configuration

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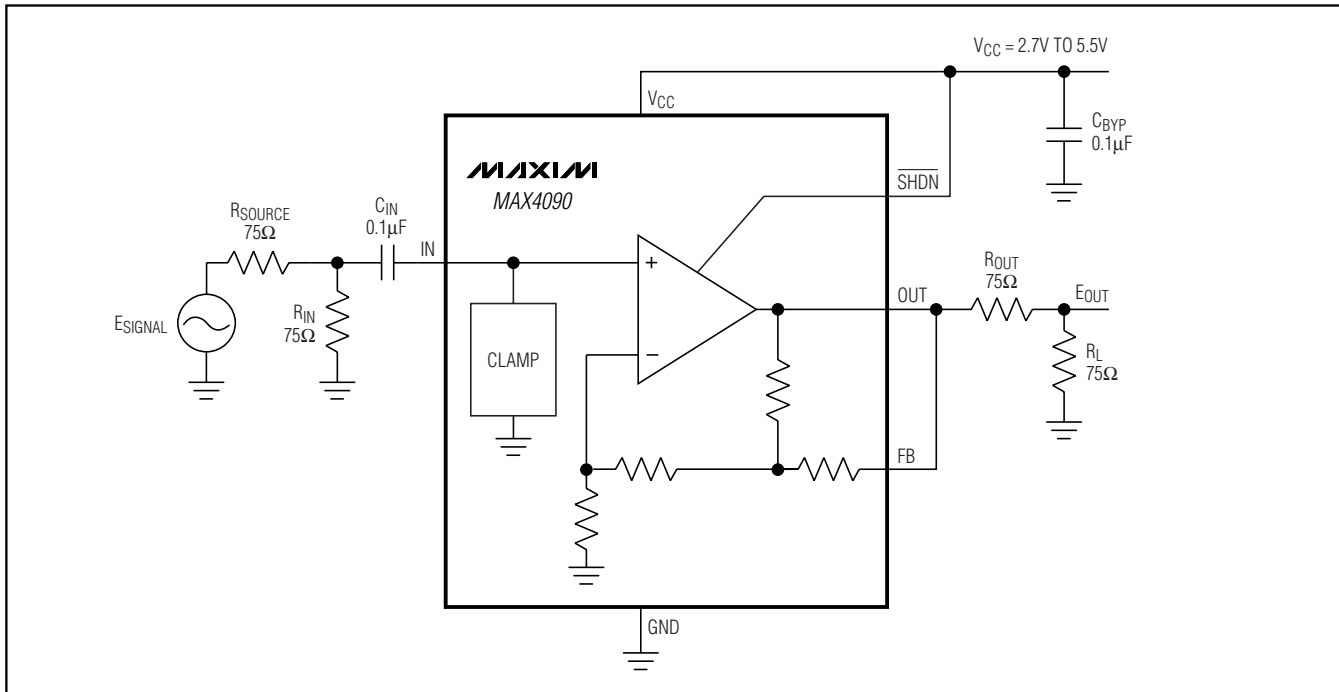


Figure 7. Typical Operating Circuit

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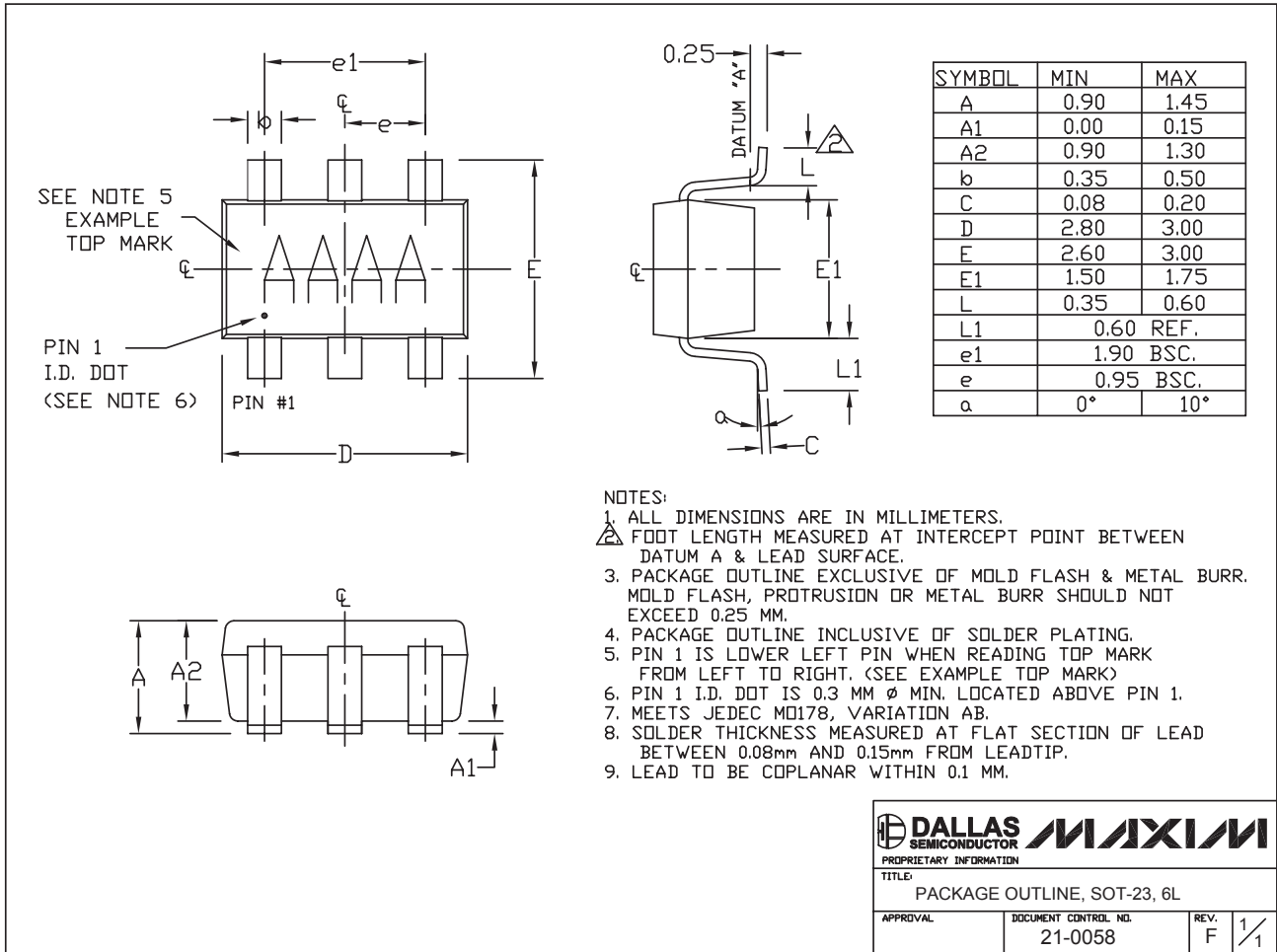
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## Package Information (continued)

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