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### FEATURES

#### Low noise

Input voltage noise: 0.85 nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$

Current noise: 2.0 pA/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$

#### High speed

200 MHz bandwidth (G = 12.04 dB)

295 V/ $\mu\text{s}$  slew rate

#### Selectable gain

G = 12.04 dB ( $\times 4$ )

G = 18.06 dB ( $\times 8$ )

G = 21.58 dB ( $\times 12$ )

G = 24.08 dB ( $\times 16$ )

#### Active input impedance matching

#### Integrated input clamp diodes

#### Single-ended input, differential output

#### Supply range: 4.5 V to 5.5 V

#### Low power: 60 mW/channel

### APPLICATIONS

#### CW Doppler ultrasound front ends

#### Low noise preamplification

#### Predriver for I/Q demodulators and phase shifters

#### Wideband analog-to-digital drivers

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The AD8432 is a dual-channel, low power, ultralow noise amplifier with selectable gain and active impedance matching. Each channel has a single-ended input, differential output, and integrated input clamps. By pin strapping the gain setting pins, four accurate gains of G = 12.04 dB, 18.06 dB, 21.58 dB, and 24.08 dB ( $\times 4$ ,  $\times 8$ ,  $\times 12$ , and  $\times 16$ , respectively) are possible. A bandwidth of 200 MHz at G = 12.04 dB makes this amplifier well suited for many high speed applications.

The exceptional noise performance of the AD8432 is made possible by the active impedance matching. Using a feedback network, the input impedance of the amplifiers can be adjusted to match the signal source impedance without compromising the noise performance. Impedance matching and low noise in the AD8432 allow designers to create wider dynamic range systems that are able to detect even very low level signals.

### FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

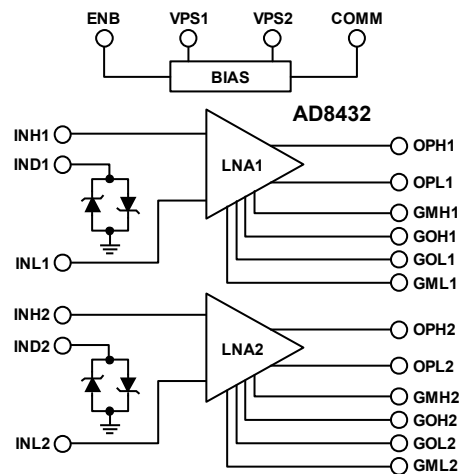


Figure 1.

The AD8432 achieves 0.85 nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  input-referred voltage noise for a gain of 12.04 dB. The AD8432's ultralow noise, low distortion, gain accuracy, and channel-to-channel matching are ideal for high performance ultrasound systems and for processing I/Q demodulator signals.

The AD8432 operates on a single supply of 5 V at 24 mA. It is available in a 4 mm  $\times$  4 mm, 24-lead LFCSP. The LFCSP features an exposed paddle that provides a low thermal resistance path to the PCB, which enables more efficient heat transfer and increases reliability. The operating temperature range is  $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

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## SPECIFICATIONS

$V_S = 5\text{ V}$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $R_S = R_{IN} = 50\ \Omega$ ,  $R_{FB} = 150\ \Omega$ ,  $C_{SH} = 47\text{ pF}$ ,  $R_{SH} = 15\ \Omega$ ,  $R_L = 500\ \Omega$  (per SE output),  $C_L = 5\text{ pF}$  (per SE output),  $G = 12.04\text{ dB}$  (single-ended input to differential output),  $f = 1\text{ MHz}$ , unless otherwise specified.

Table 1.

| Parameter                                 | Conditions   | Min   | Typ                                       | Max   | Unit                   |
|---|--|---|---|-------|------------------------|
| <b>DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE</b>                |  |   |   |       |                        |
| Gain Range                                | Input to differential output (selectable gain)   | 12.04   |   | 24.08 | dB                     |
|   | Input to single output (selectable gain)   | 6.02  |   | 18.06 | dB                     |
| Gain Error                                |  |   | 0.1                                       | 1     | dB                     |
| -3 dB Small Signal Bandwidth              | $R_{IN}$ unterminated, $R_{FB} = \infty$ , $C_{SH} = 0\text{ pF}$ , $R_{SH} = 0\ \Omega$ |   |   |       |                        |
|   | $G = 12.04\text{ dB}$  |   | 200                                       |       | MHz                    |
|   | $G = 18.06\text{ dB}$  |   | 90  |       | MHz                    |
|   | $G = 21.58\text{ dB}$  |   | 50  |       | MHz                    |
|   | $G = 24.08\text{ dB}$  |   | 32  |       | MHz                    |
| -3 dB Large Signal Bandwidth              | $V_{OUT} = 2\text{ V p-p}$   |   | 42  |       | MHz                    |
| Slew Rate (Rising Edge)                   | $V_{OUT} = 2\text{ V p-p}$ , $f = 10\text{ MHz}$   |   | 295                                       |       | V/ $\mu\text{s}$       |
| Slew Rate (Falling Edge)                  | $V_{OUT} = 2\text{ V p-p}$ , $f = 10\text{ MHz}$   |   | 170                                       |       | V/ $\mu\text{s}$       |
| Overdrive Recovery Time                   |  |   | 10  |       | ns                     |
| <b>DISTORTION/NOISE PERFORMANCE</b>       |  |   |   |       |                        |
| Input Voltage Noise                       | $R_{FB} = \infty$  |   | 0.85                                      |       | nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ |
| Input Current Noise                       | $R_{FB} = \infty$  |   | 2.0                                       |       | pA/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ |
| Noise Figure                              | Unterminated   | $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{FB} = \infty$  | 2.8                                       |       | dB                     |
|   | Active Termination   | $R_S = R_{IN} = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{FB} = 150\ \Omega$                              | 4.8                                       |       | dB                     |
|   |  | $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{FB} = 226\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN} = 75\ \Omega$               | 4.2                                       |       | dB                     |
|   |  | $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{FB} = 301\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN} = 100\ \Omega$              | 3.2                                       |       | dB                     |
|   |  | $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{FB} = 619\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN} = 200\ \Omega$              | 2.1                                       |       | dB                     |
|   |  | $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{FB} = 3.57\text{ k}\Omega$ , $R_{IN} = 1\text{ k}\Omega$ | 2.3                                       |       | dB                     |
|   |  | Output Referred Noise   | $G = 12.04\text{ dB}$ , $R_{FB} = \infty$ |       | 3.4                    |
| $G = 18.06\text{ dB}$ , $R_{FB} = \infty$ |  |   | 6.8                                       |       | nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ |
| $G = 21.58\text{ dB}$ , $R_{FB} = \infty$ |  |   | 10.2                                      |       | nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ |
| $G = 24.08\text{ dB}$ , $R_{FB} = \infty$ |  |   | 13.6                                      |       | nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ |
| Harmonic Distortion                       | 1 MHz ( $V_{OUT} = 1\text{ V p-p}$ )   | HD2   | -67                                       |       | dBc                    |
|   |  | HD2, $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated                                   | -74                                       |       | dBc                    |
|   |  | HD3   | -103                                      |       | dBc                    |
|   | 1 MHz ( $V_{OUT} = 2\text{ V p-p}$ )   | HD3, $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated                                   | -106                                      |       | dBc                    |
|   |  | HD2   | -65                                       |       | dBc                    |
|   |  | HD2, $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated                                   | -72                                       |       | dBc                    |
|   | 10 MHz ( $V_{OUT} = 1\text{ V p-p}$ )  | HD3   | -103                                      |       | dBc                    |
|   |  | HD3, $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated                                   | -92                                       |       | dBc                    |
|   |  | HD2   | -66                                       |       | dBc                    |
|   | 10 MHz ( $V_{OUT} = 2\text{ V p-p}$ )  | HD2, $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated                                   | -62                                       |       | dBc                    |
|   |  | HD3   | -78                                       |       | dBc                    |
|   |  | HD3, $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated                                   | -73                                       |       | dBc                    |
| 10 MHz ( $V_{OUT} = 2\text{ V p-p}$ )     | HD2  | -60   |   | dBc   |                        |
|   | HD2, $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated  | -56   |   | dBc   |                        |
|   | HD3  | -72   |   | dBc   |                        |
|   | HD3, $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated  | -65   |   | dBc   |                        |

| Parameter                          | Conditions   | Min   | Typ   | Max   | Unit                         |
|------------------------------------|--|-------|-------|-------|------------------------------|
| Two-Tone IMD3 Distortion           | $R_S = 50\ \Omega$ , $R_{IN}$ unterminated                                       |       |       |       |                              |
| 10 MHz                             | $V_{OUT} = 1\ \text{V p-p}$ , $f_1 = 9.5\ \text{MHz}$ , $f_2 = 10.5\ \text{MHz}$ |       | -89.1 |       | dBc                          |
|                                    | $V_{OUT} = 2\ \text{V p-p}$ , $f_1 = 9.5\ \text{MHz}$ , $f_2 = 10.5\ \text{MHz}$ |       | -66.0 |       | dBc                          |
| 1 MHz                              | $V_{OUT} = 1\ \text{V p-p}$ , $f_1 = 0.9\ \text{MHz}$ , $f_2 = 1.1\ \text{MHz}$  |       | -88.9 |       | dBc                          |
|                                    | $V_{OUT} = 2\ \text{V p-p}$ , $f_1 = 0.9\ \text{MHz}$ , $f_2 = 1.1\ \text{MHz}$  |       | -73.7 |       | dBc                          |
| Input 1dB Compression Point        | $f = 1\ \text{MHz}$  |       | 7.5   |       | dBm                          |
|                                    | $f = 10\ \text{MHz}$   |       | 7.7   |       | dBm                          |
| Output Third-Order Intercept       |  |       |       |       |                              |
| 1 MHz                              | $V_{OUT} = 1\ \text{V p-p}$ of composite tones                                   |       | 29.7  |       | dBV rms                      |
|                                    | $V_{OUT} = 2\ \text{V p-p}$ of composite tones                                   |       | 28.2  |       | dBV rms                      |
| 10 MHz                             | $V_{OUT} = 1\ \text{V p-p}$ of composite tones                                   |       | 23.2  |       | dBV rms                      |
|                                    | $V_{OUT} = 2\ \text{V p-p}$ of composite tones                                   |       | 24.2  |       | dBV rms                      |
| 1 MHz                              | $V_{OUT} = 1\ \text{V p-p}$ of composite tones, reference to $50\ \Omega$        |       | 42.7  |       | dBm                          |
|                                    | $V_{OUT} = 2\ \text{V p-p}$ of composite tones, reference to $50\ \Omega$        |       | 41.2  |       | dBm                          |
| 10 MHz                             | $V_{OUT} = 1\ \text{V p-p}$ of composite tones, reference to $50\ \Omega$        |       | 36.2  |       | dBm                          |
|                                    | $V_{OUT} = 2\ \text{V p-p}$ of composite tones, reference to $50\ \Omega$        |       | 37.2  |       | dBm                          |
| Crosstalk                          | $V_{OUT} = 1\ \text{V p-p}$ , $f = 1\ \text{MHz}$                                |       | 102   |       | dB                           |
| DC PERFORMANCE                     |  |       |       |       |                              |
| Input Offset Voltage               |  | -6.25 | +1    | +6.25 | mV                           |
| Input Offset Voltage Drift         |  |       | 300   |       | $\mu\text{V}/^\circ\text{C}$ |
| INPUT CHARACTERISTICS              |  |       |       |       |                              |
| Input Voltage Range                | AC-coupled   |       | 1.2   |       | V p-p                        |
| Input Resistance                   | $R_{FB} = 150\ \Omega$   |       | 50    |       | $\Omega$                     |
|                                    | $R_{FB} = 226\ \Omega$   |       | 75    |       | $\Omega$                     |
|                                    | $R_{FB} = 301\ \Omega$   |       | 100   |       | $\Omega$                     |
|                                    | $R_{FB} = 619\ \Omega$   |       | 200   |       | $\Omega$                     |
|                                    | $R_{FB} = 3.57\ \text{k}\Omega$  |       | 1     |       | k $\Omega$                   |
|                                    | $R_{FB} = \infty$ , $f = 100\ \text{kHz}$  |       | 6.2   |       | k $\Omega$                   |
| Input Capacitance                  |  |       | 6     |       | pF                           |
| Input Common-Mode Voltage          |  |       | 3.25  |       | V                            |
| OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS             |  |       |       |       |                              |
| Output Common-Mode Voltage         |  |       | 2.5   |       | V                            |
| Output Offset Voltage              |  | -25   | +4    | +25   | mV                           |
| Output Voltage Swing               |  |       | 4.8   |       | V p-p                        |
| Output Resistance                  | Single-ended, either output  |       | <0.1  |       | $\Omega$                     |
| Output Resistance in Shutdown Mode | Single-ended, either output  |       | 2.5   |       | k $\Omega$                   |
| Output Short-Circuit Current       | $R_L = 10\ \Omega$ differential  |       | 77    |       | mA                           |
| Enable Response Time               | EN <sub>BON</sub> (enable high to output on)                                     |       | 200   |       | $\mu\text{s}$                |
|                                    | EN <sub>BOFF</sub> (enable low to output off)                                    |       | 200   |       | $\mu\text{s}$                |
| POWER SUPPLY                       |  |       |       |       |                              |
| Supply Voltage                     |  | 4.5   | 5     | 5.5   | V                            |
| Quiescent Current                  | ENB = 5 V  |       | 24    |       | mA                           |
| Over Temperature                   | $T_A = -40^\circ\text{C}$  |       | 21    |       | mA                           |
|                                    | $T_A = +85^\circ\text{C}$  |       | 27    |       | mA                           |
| Supply Current in Shutdown Mode    | ENB = GND  |       | 50    | 100   | $\mu\text{A}$                |
| Power Dissipation                  |  |       | 120   |       | mW                           |
| PSRR                               | G = 24.08 dB, $f = 100\ \text{kHz}$ , no bypass capacitors                       |       | -82   |       | dB                           |

## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Table 2.

| Parameter  | Rating          |
|--|-----------------|
| Voltage  |                 |
| Supply Voltage   | 5.5 V           |
| Input Voltage  | 0 V to VPS      |
| Power Dissipation                                      | 120 mW          |
| Temperature  |                 |
| Operating Temperature                                  | -40°C to +85°C  |
| Storage Temperature                                    | -65°C to +150°C |
| Package Glass Transition Temperature (T <sub>G</sub> ) | 150°C           |
| Lead Temperature (Soldering, 60 sec)                   | 300°C           |

Stresses at or above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the product. This is a stress rating only; functional operation of the product at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational section of this specification is not implied. Operation beyond the maximum operating conditions for extended periods may affect product reliability.

### THERMAL RESISTANCE

$\theta_{JA}$  is specified for the worst-case conditions, that is, a device soldered in a circuit board for surface-mount packages. The  $\theta_{JA}$  value in Table 3 assumes a 4-layer JEDEC standard board with zero airflow.

Table 3. Thermal Resistance<sup>1</sup>

| Parameter     | $\theta_{JA}$ | $\theta_{JC}$ | $\theta_{JB}$ | $\Psi_{JT}$ | Unit |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|------|
| 40-Lead LFCSP | 57.9          | 11.2          | 35.9          | 1.1         | °C/W |

<sup>1</sup> 4-layer JEDEC board (252P).

### MAXIMUM POWER DISSIPATION

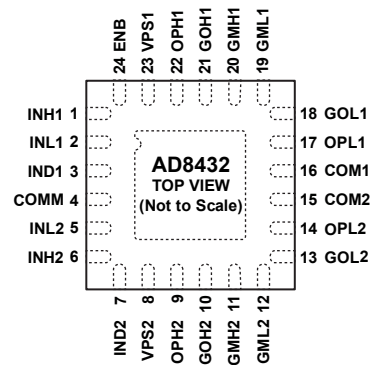
The maximum safe power dissipation for the AD8432 is limited by the associated rise in junction temperature (T<sub>j</sub>) on the die. At approximately 150°C, which is the glass transition temperature, the properties of the plastic change. Even temporarily exceeding this temperature limit may change the stresses that the package exerts on the die, permanently shifting the parametric performance of the amplifiers. Exceeding a temperature of 150°C for an extended period can cause changes in silicon devices, potentially resulting in a loss of functionality.

### ESD CAUTION



**ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device.** Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

## PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS



NOTES  
1. EXPOSED PAD MUST BE CONNECTED TO GROUND.

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Figure 2. Pin Configuration

Table 4. Pin Function Descriptions

| Pin No. | Mnemonic   | Description                                    |
|---------|------------|--|
| 1       | INH1       | LNA1 Noninverting Input.                       |
| 2       | INL1       | LNA1 Inverting Input (AC-Coupled to Ground).   |
| 3, 7    | IND1, IND2 | Integrated Input Clamping Back-to-Back Diodes. |
| 4       | COMM       | Input Ground.                                  |
| 5       | INL2       | LNA2 Inverting Input (AC-Coupled to Ground).   |
| 6       | INH2       | LNA2 Noninverting Input.                       |
| 8       | VPS2       | 5 V Supply.                                    |
| 9       | OPH2       | Noninverting Output of LNA2.                   |
| 10      | GOH2       | Gain Setting Pin for LNA2.                     |
| 11      | GMH2       | Gain Setting Pin for LNA2.                     |
| 12      | GML2       | Gain Setting Pin for LNA2.                     |
| 13      | GOL2       | Gain Setting Pin for LNA2.                     |
| 14      | OPL2       | Inverting Output of LNA2.                      |
| 15      | COM2       | LNA2 Output Ground.                            |
| 16      | COM1       | LNA1 Output Ground.                            |
| 17      | OPL1       | Inverting Output of LNA1.                      |
| 18      | GOL1       | Gain Setting Pin for LNA1.                     |
| 19      | GML1       | Gain Setting Pin for LNA1.                     |
| 20      | GMH1       | Gain Setting Pin for LNA1.                     |
| 21      | GOH1       | Gain Setting Pin for LNA1.                     |
| 22      | OPH1       | Noninverting Output of LNA1.                   |
| 23      | VPS1       | 5 V Supply.                                    |
| 24      | ENB        | Enable.  |
|         | EPAD       | Exposed pad must be connected to ground.       |

# TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

$V_S = 5\text{ V}$ ,  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $R_S = R_{IN} = 50\ \Omega$ ,  $R_{FB} = 150\ \Omega$ ,  $C_{SH} = 47\text{ pF}$ ,  $R_{SH} = 15\ \Omega$ ,  $R_L = 500\ \Omega$  (per SE output),  $C_L = 5\text{ pF}$  (per SE output),  $G = 12.04\text{ dB}$  (single-ended input to differential output),  $f = 1\text{ MHz}$ , unless otherwise specified.

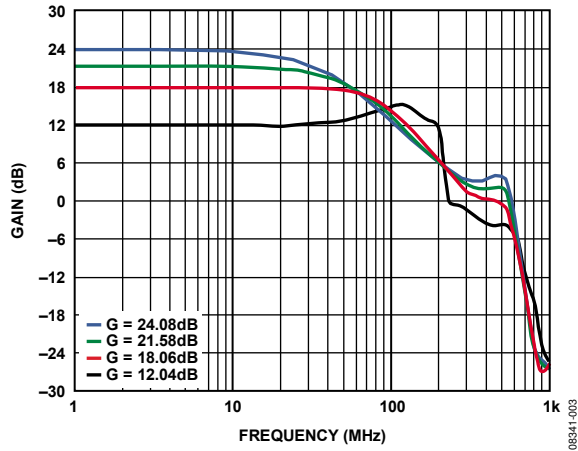


Figure 3. Small Signal Differential Gain vs. Frequency,  $R_{IN}$  Unterminated

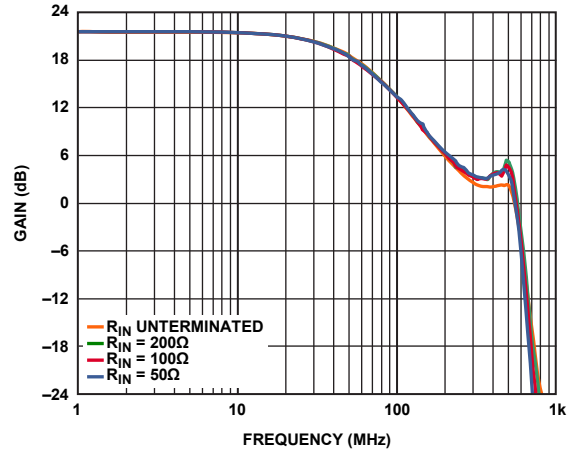


Figure 6. Small Signal Frequency Response vs.  $R_{IN}$ ,  $G = 21.58\text{ dB}$

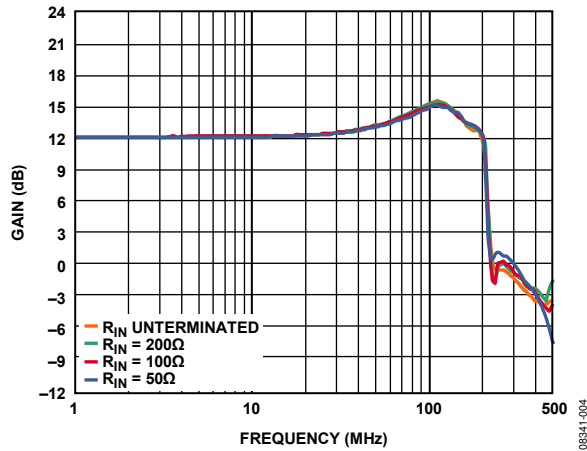


Figure 4. Small Signal Frequency Response vs.  $R_{IN}$ ,  $G = 12.04\text{ dB}$

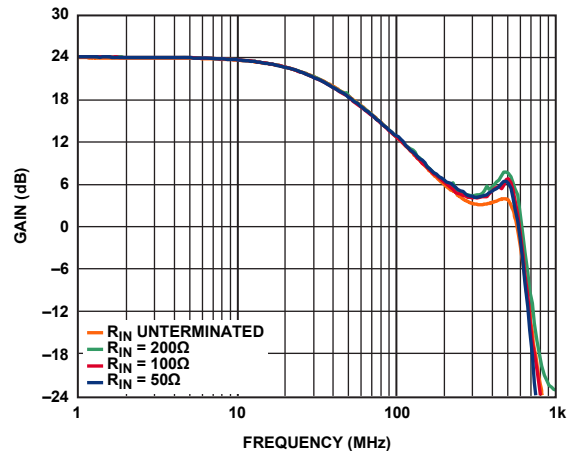


Figure 7. Small Signal Frequency Response vs.  $R_{IN}$ ,  $G = 24.08\text{ dB}$

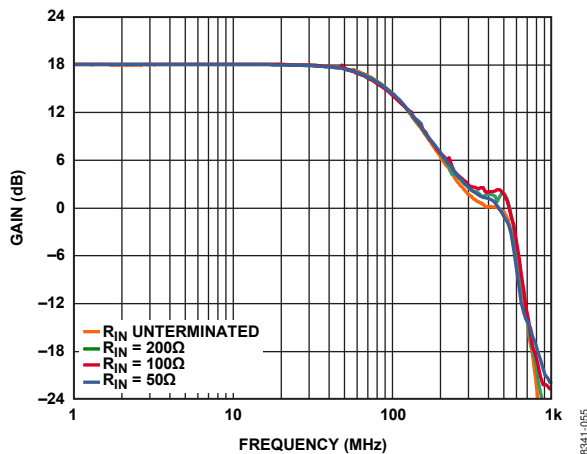


Figure 5. Small Signal Frequency Response vs.  $R_{IN}$ ,  $G = 18.06\text{ dB}$

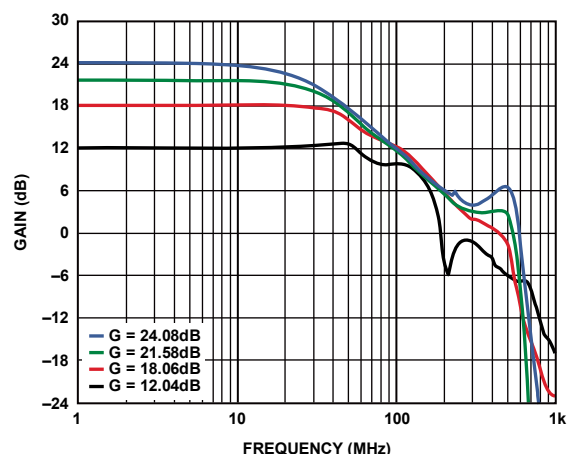


Figure 8. Differential Gain vs. Frequency,  $V_{OUT} = 1\text{ V p-p}$ ,  $R_{IN} = 50\ \Omega$



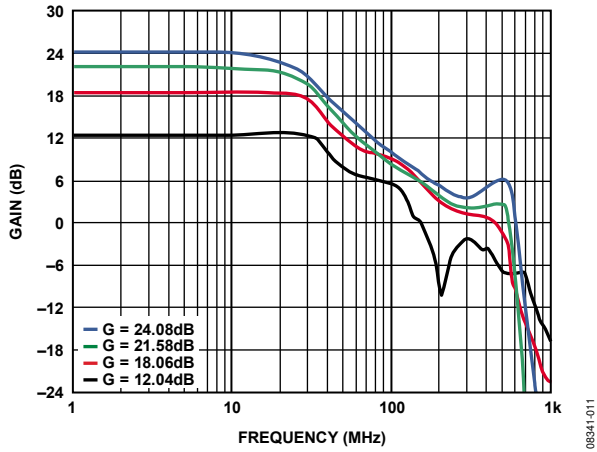


Figure 9. Differential Gain vs. Frequency,  $V_{OUT} = 2\text{ V p-p}$ ,  $R_{IN} = 50\ \Omega$

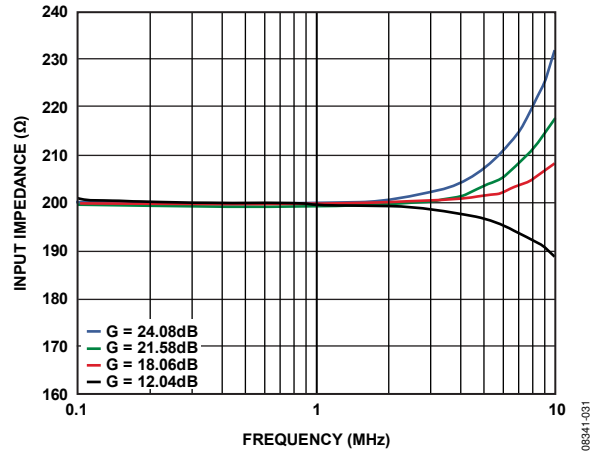


Figure 12. Input Impedance  $R_{IN}$  vs. Frequency,  $200\ \Omega$  Active Termination

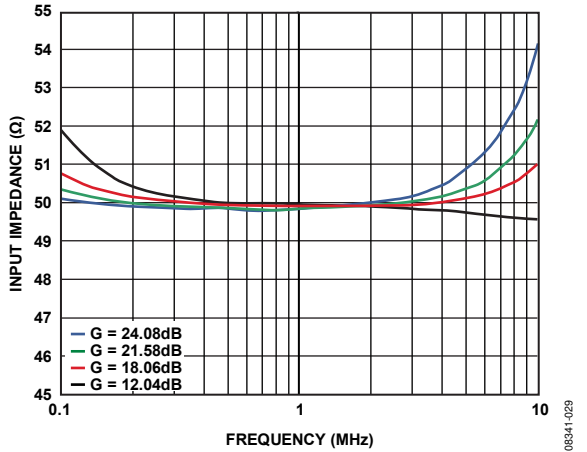


Figure 10. Input Impedance  $R_{IN}$  vs. Frequency,  $50\ \Omega$  Active Termination

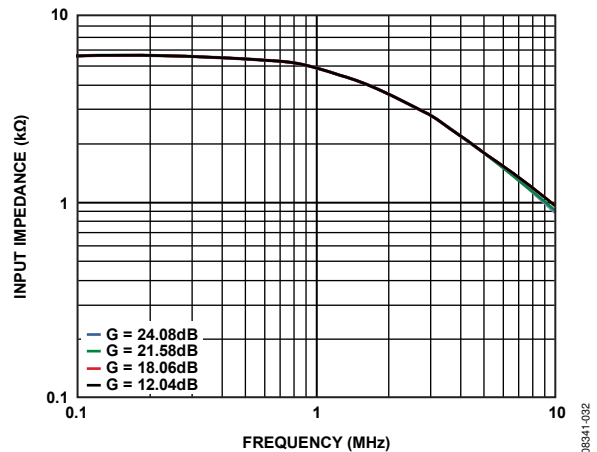


Figure 13. Input Impedance  $R_{IN}$  vs. Frequency, Unterminated

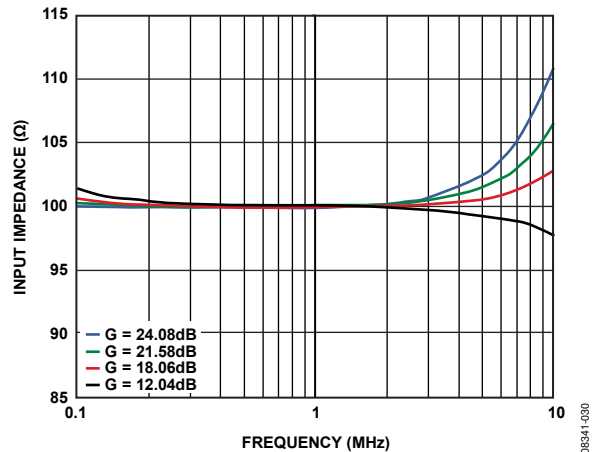


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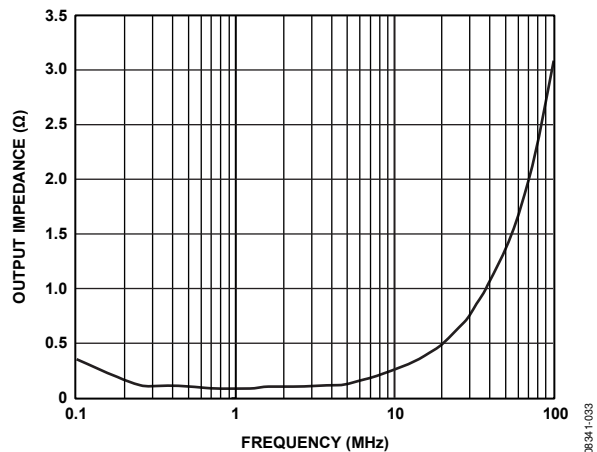


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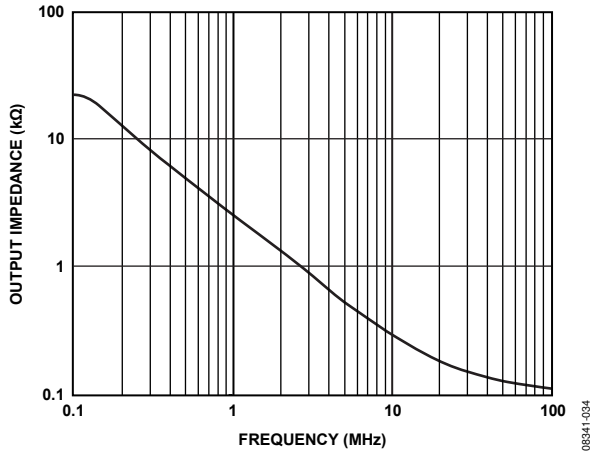


Figure 15. Output Impedance vs. Frequency in Disable Mode

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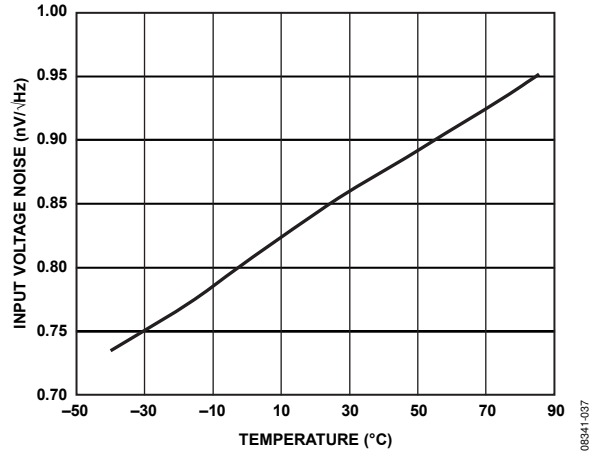


Figure 18. Input Voltage Noise vs. Temperature

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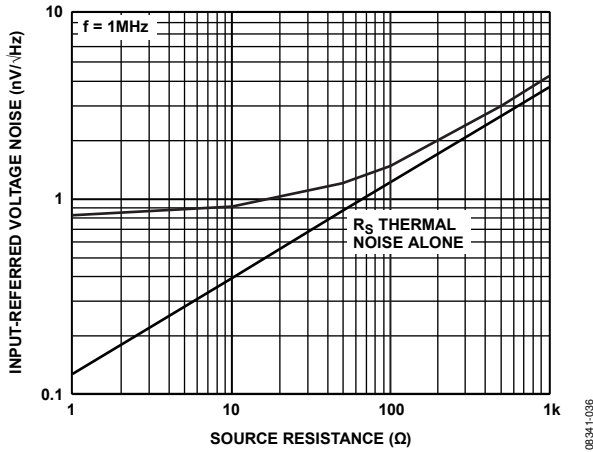


Figure 16. Input-Referred Voltage Noise vs. Source Resistance ( $R_s$ )

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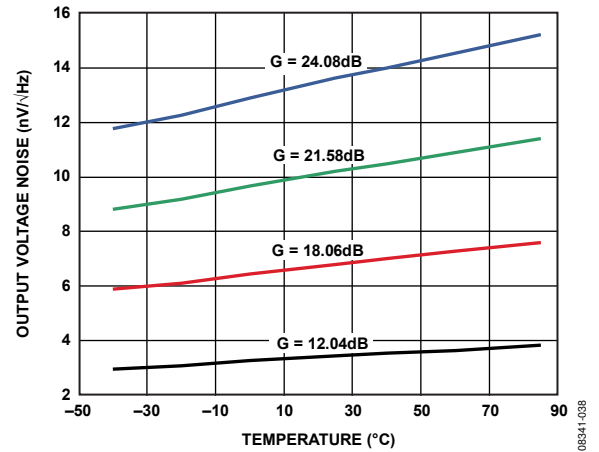


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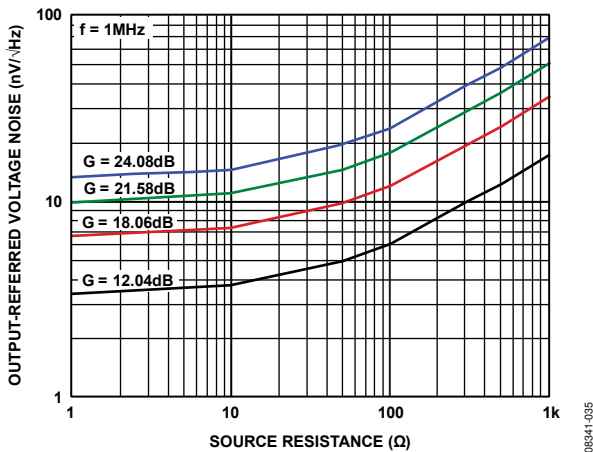


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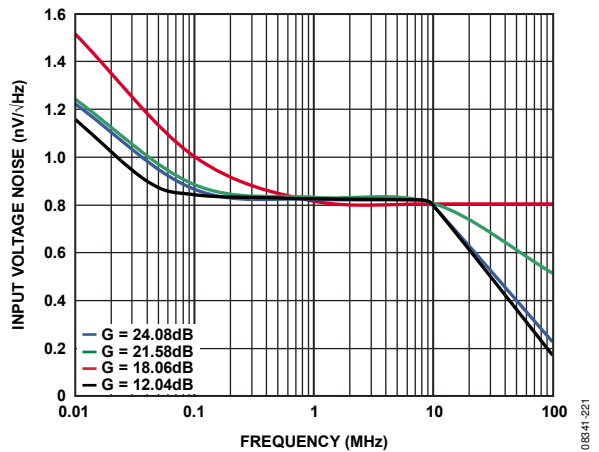


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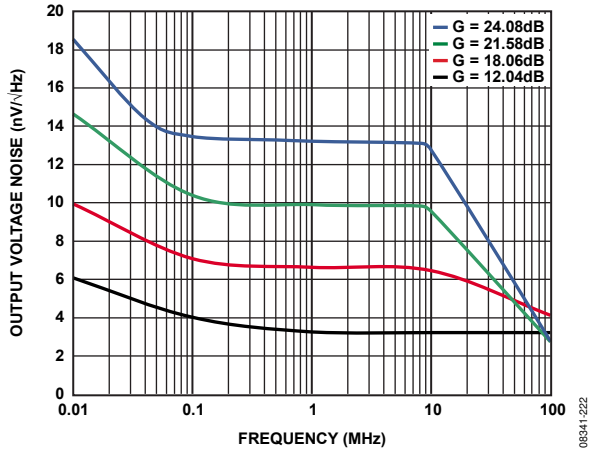


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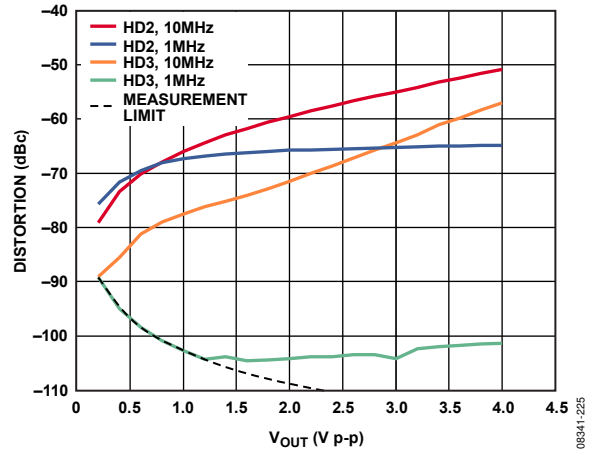


Figure 24. Harmonic Distortion vs. Differential Output Voltage,  $G = 12.04$  dB

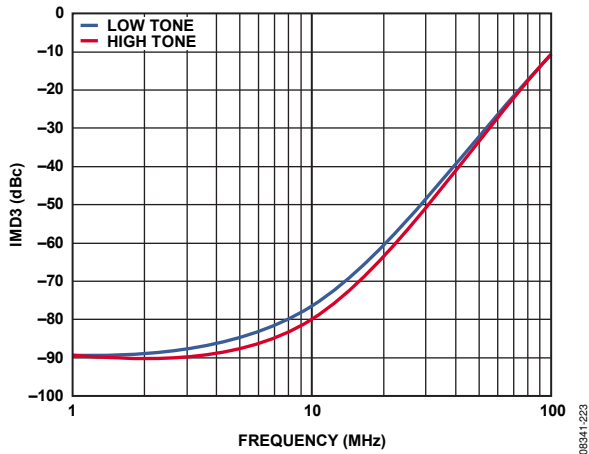


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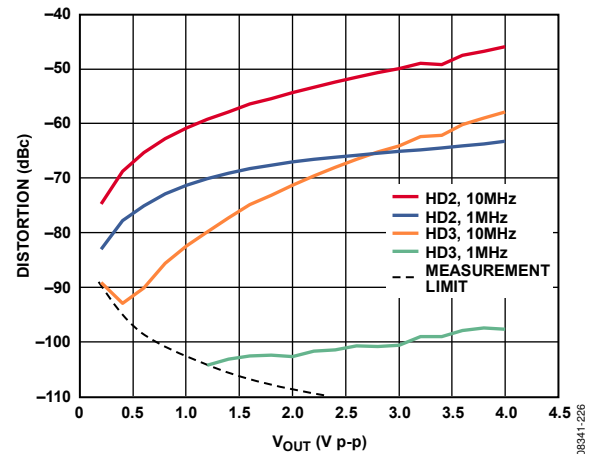


Figure 25. Harmonic Distortion vs. Differential Output Voltage,  $G = 24.08$  dB

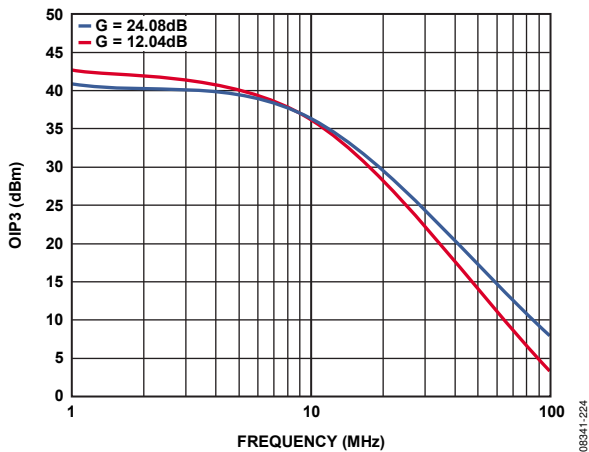


Figure 23. Output Third-Order Intercept vs. Frequency

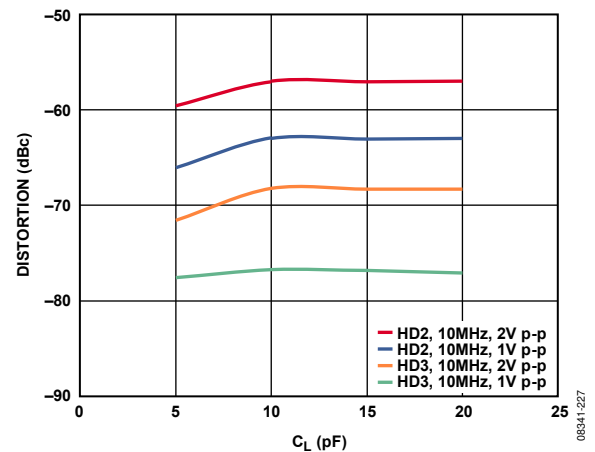


Figure 26. Harmonic Distortion at 10 MHz vs. Capacitive Load ( $C_L$ ),  $G = 12.04$  dB

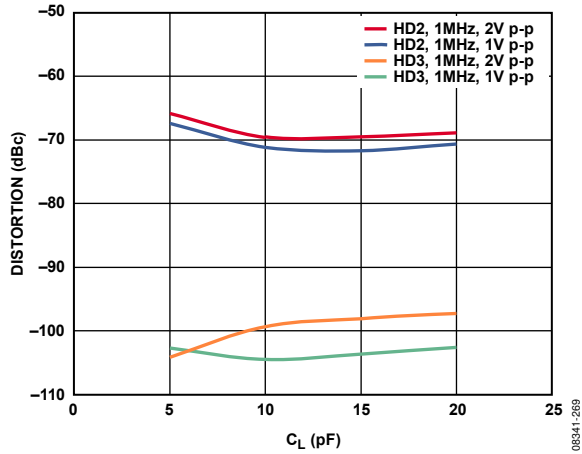


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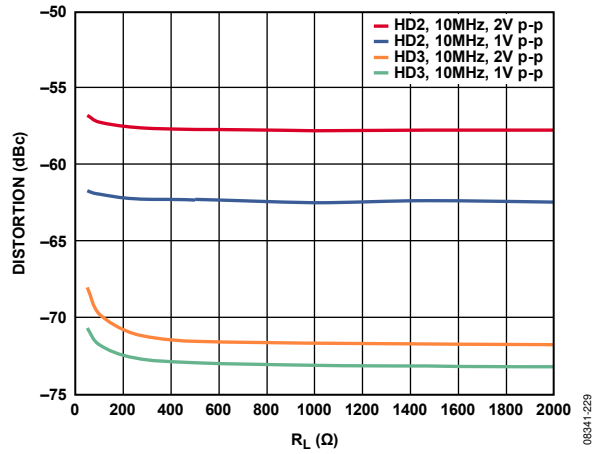


Figure 30. Harmonic Distortion at 10 MHz vs. Resistive Load ( $R_L$ ),  $G = 12.04$  dB

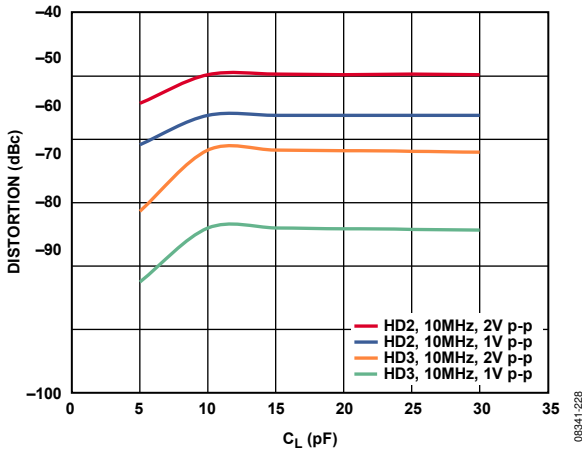


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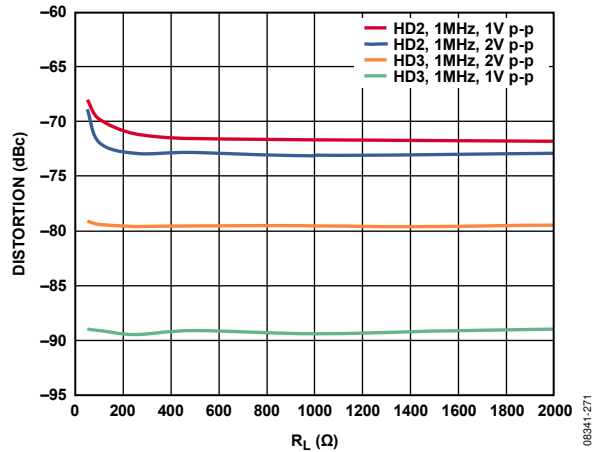


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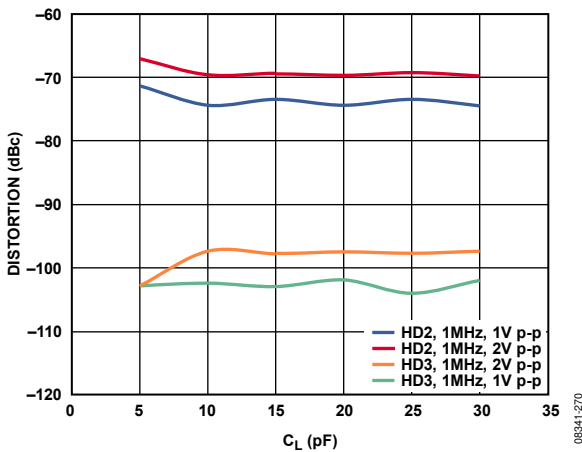


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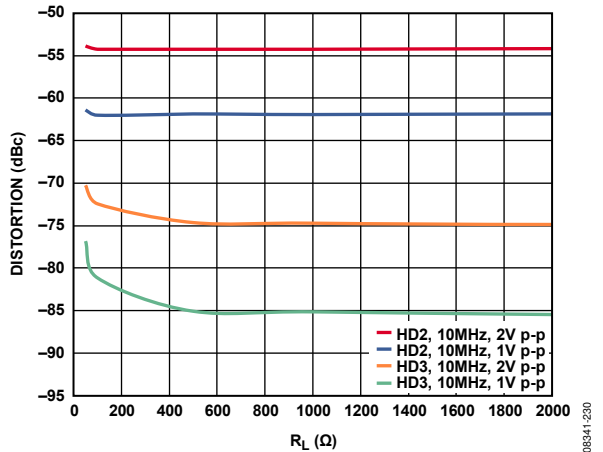


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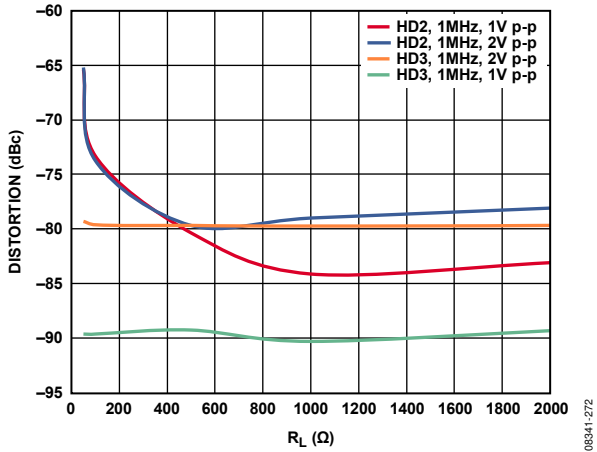


Figure 33. Harmonic Distortion at 1 MHz vs. Resistive Load ( $R_L$ ),  $G = 24.08$  dB

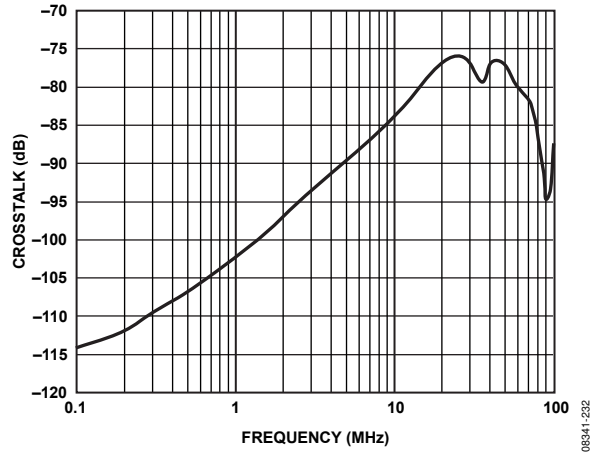


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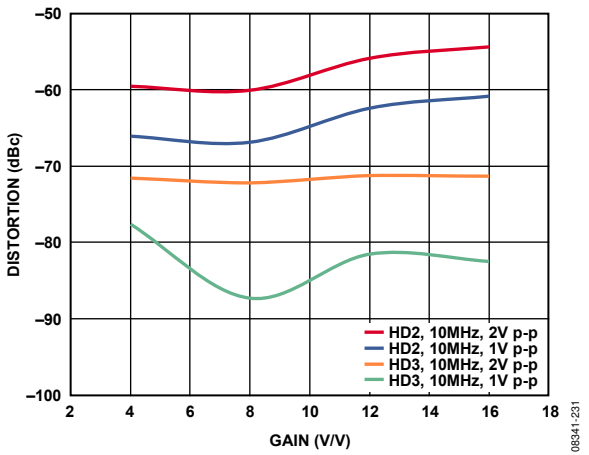


Figure 34. Harmonic Distortion at 10 MHz vs. Gain

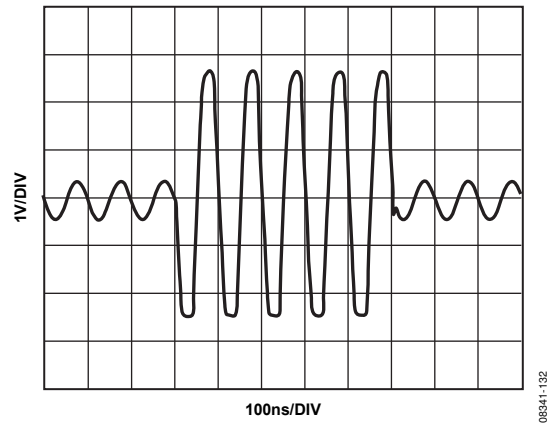


Figure 37. Overdrive Recovery,  $G = 12.04$  dB

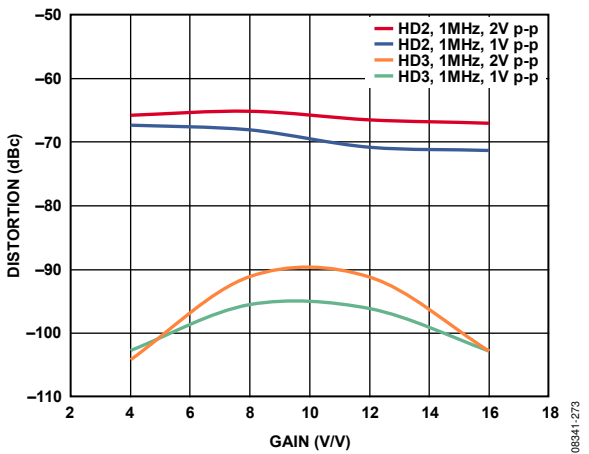


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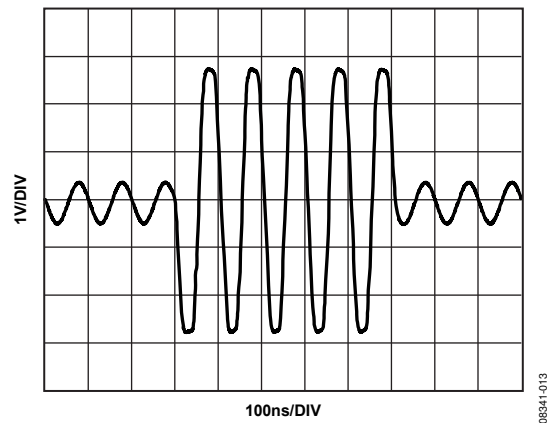


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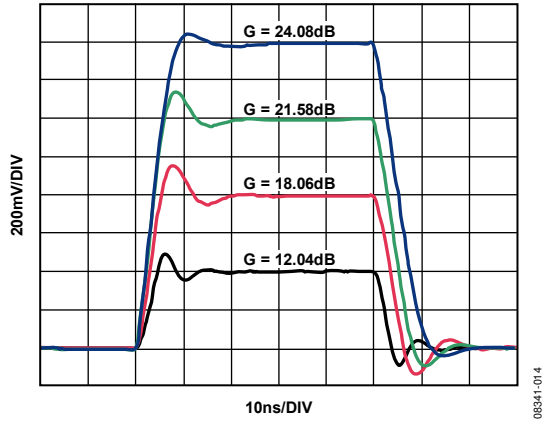


Figure 39. Small Signal Transient Response vs. Gain,  $V_{IN} = 100 \text{ mV p-p}$

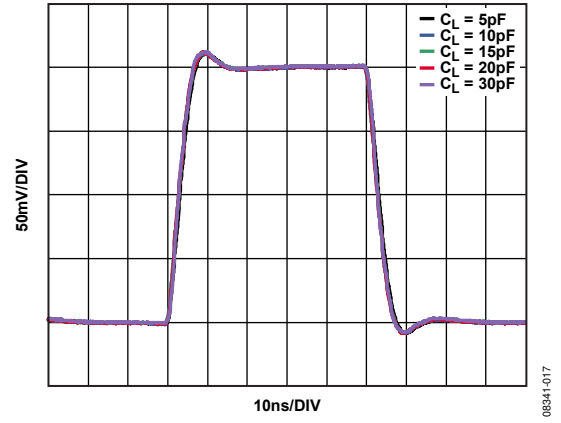


Figure 42. Small Signal Transient Response vs. Capacitive Load ( $C_L$ ),  $G = 24.08 \text{ dB}$

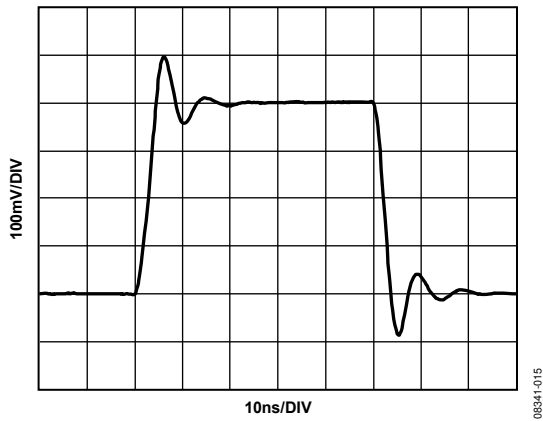


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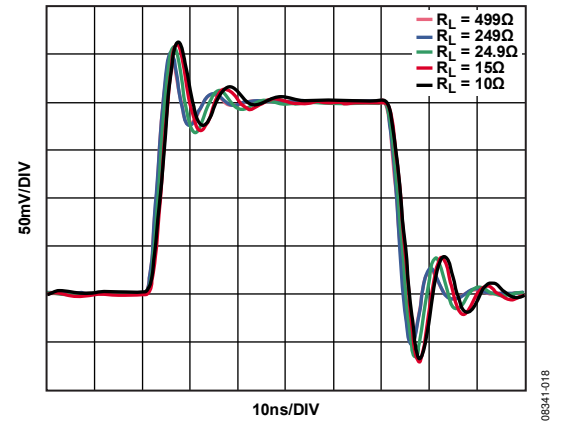


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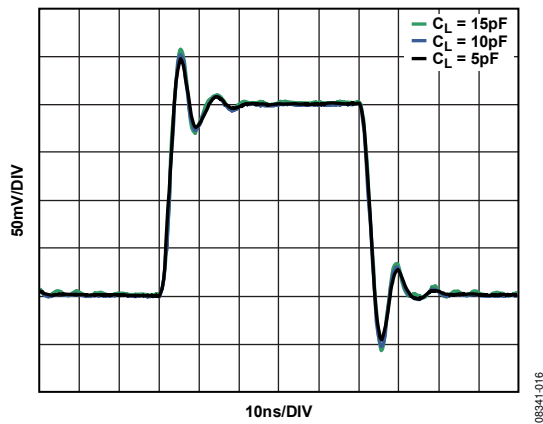


Figure 41. Small Signal Transient Response vs. Capacitive Load ( $C_L$ ),  $G = 12.04 \text{ dB}$

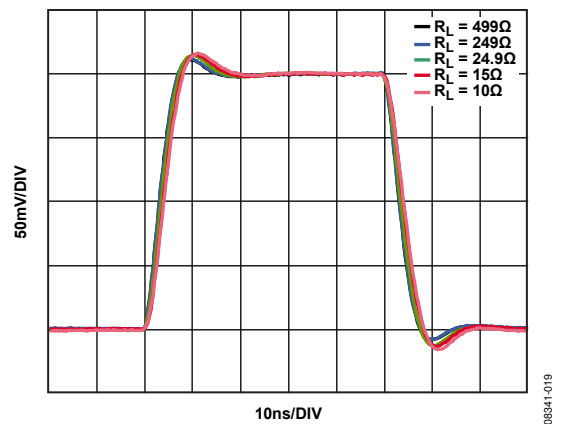


Figure 44. Small Signal Transient Response vs. Resistive Load ( $R_L$ ),  $G = 24.08 \text{ dB}$

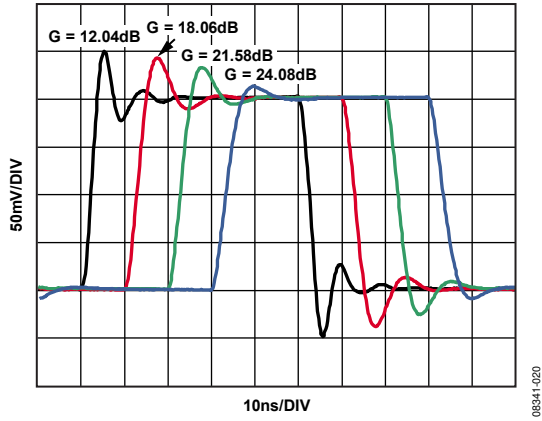


Figure 45. Small Signal Transient Response vs. Gain,  $V_{OUT} = 200\text{ mV p-p}$

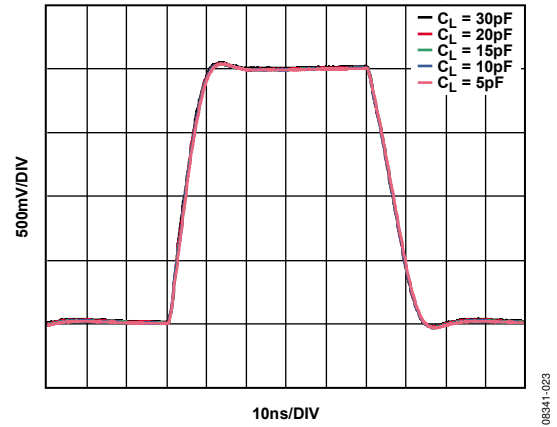


Figure 48. Large Signal Transient Response vs. Capacitive Load ( $C_L$ ),  $G = 24.08\text{ dB}$

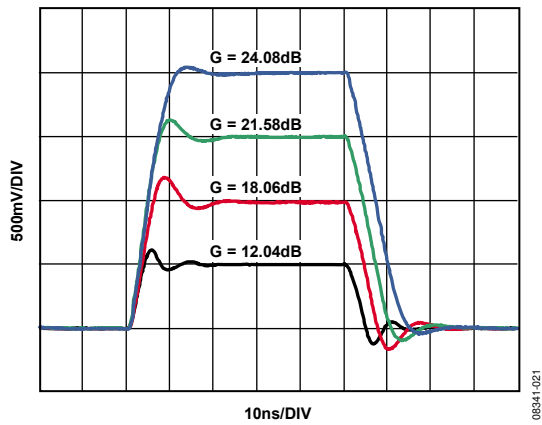


Figure 46. Large Signal Transient Response vs. Gain,  $V_{IN} = 125\text{ mV p-p}$

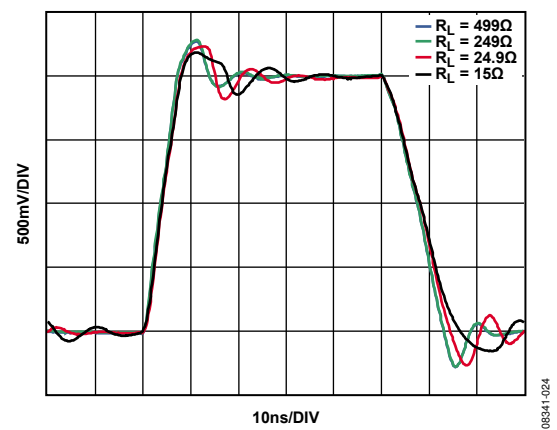


Figure 49. Large Signal Transient Response vs. Resistive Load ( $R_L$ ),  $G = 12.04\text{ dB}$

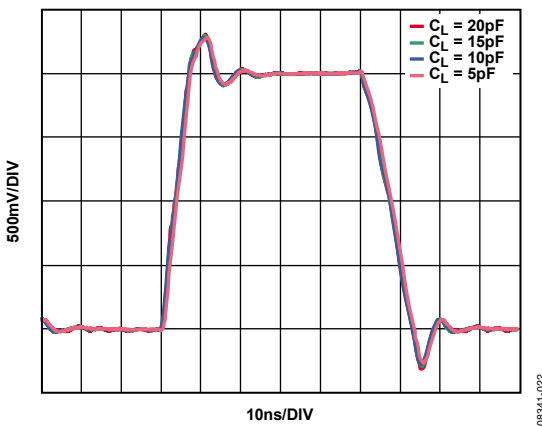


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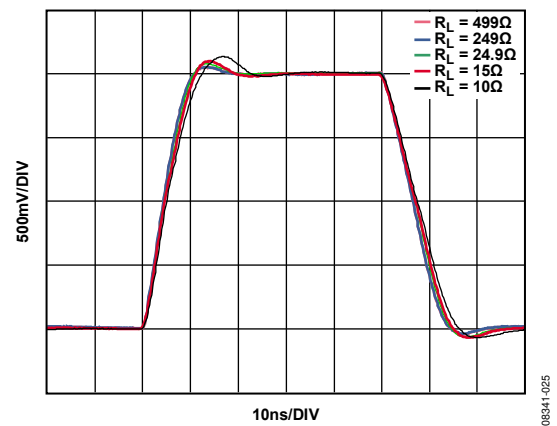


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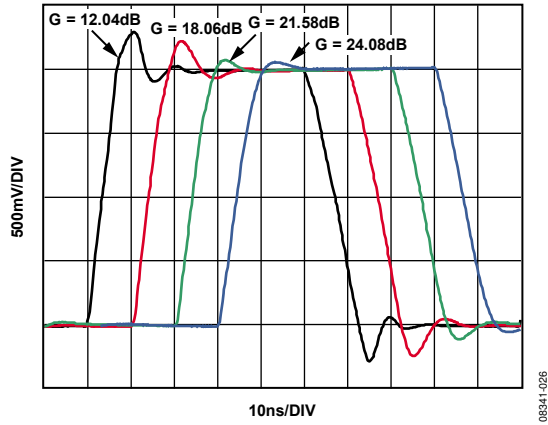


Figure 51. Large Signal Transient Response vs. Gain,  $V_{OUT} = 2V_{p-p}$

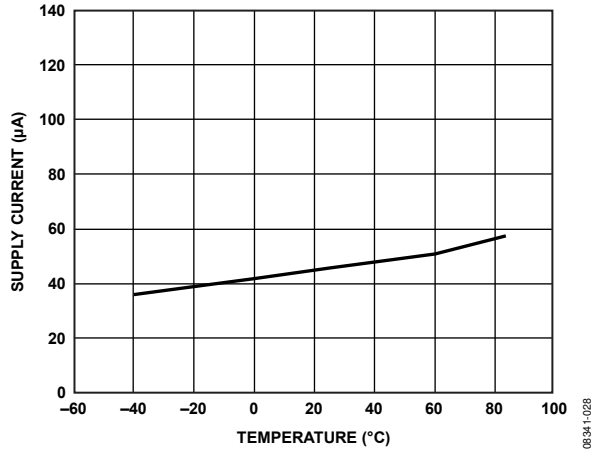


Figure 54. Supply Current vs. Temperature in Disable Mode

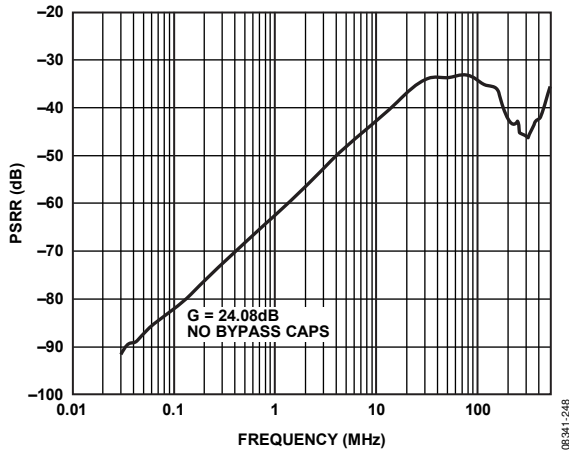


Figure 52. PSRR vs. Frequency

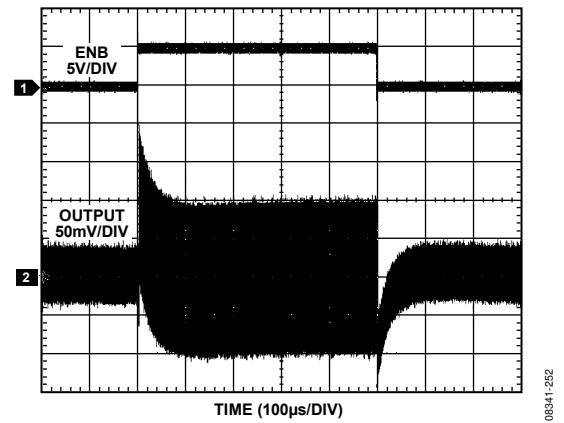


Figure 55. Small Signal Enable Response

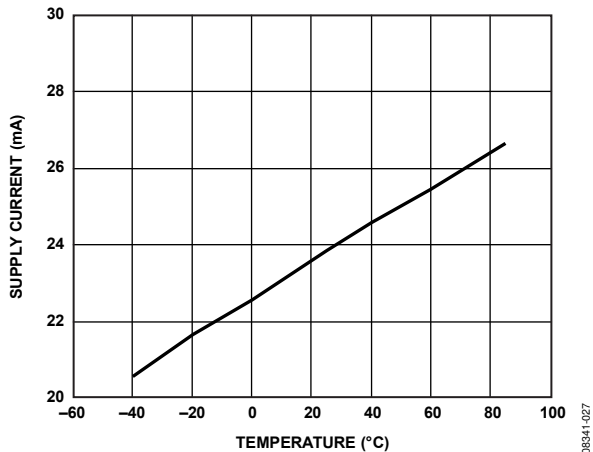


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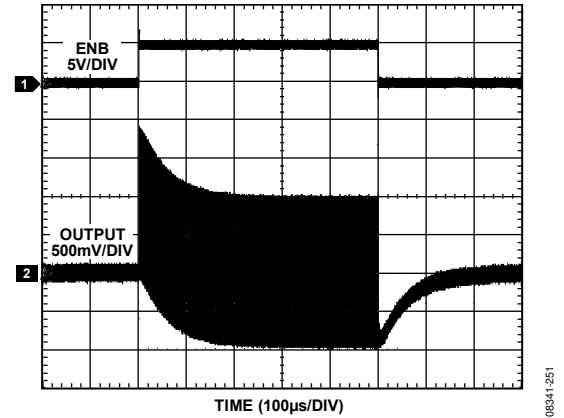


Figure 56. Large Signal Enable Response



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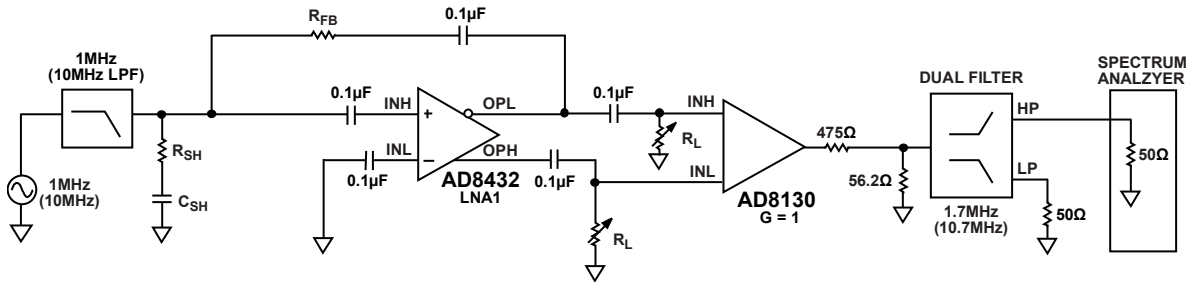


Figure 57. Harmonic Distortion vs. Resistive Load ( $R_L$ ) Measurements

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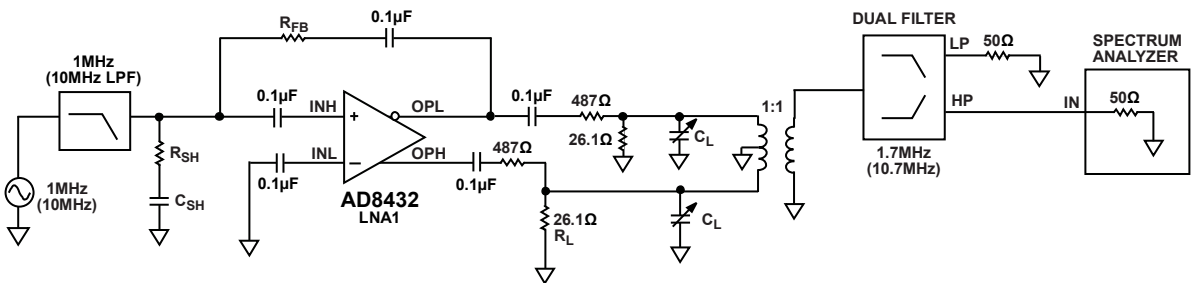


Figure 58. Harmonic Distortion vs. Capacitive Load ( $C_L$ ) Measurements

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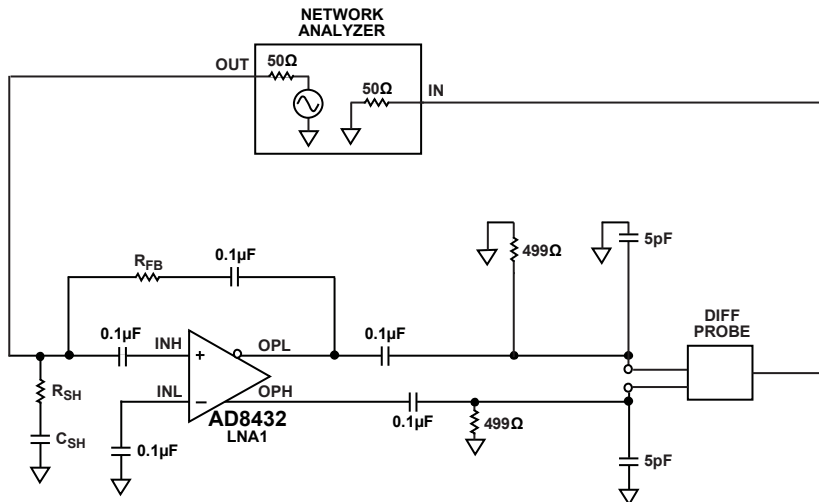


Figure 59. Frequency Response Measurements

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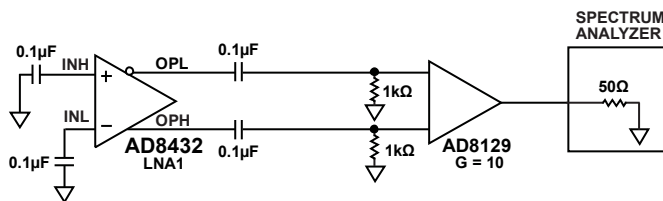


Figure 60. Voltage Noise Measurements

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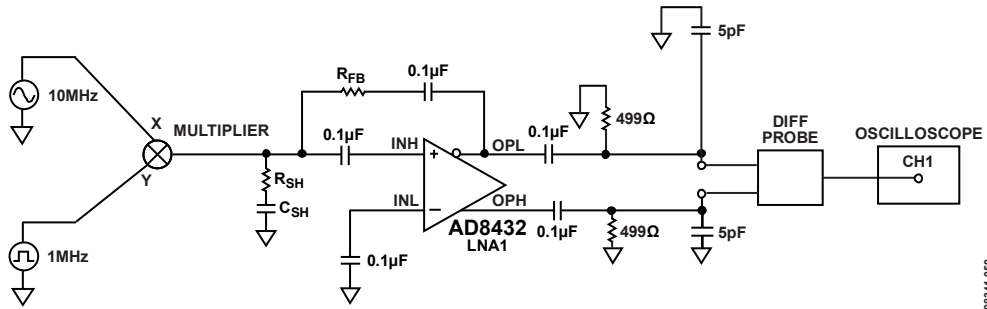


Figure 61. Overdrive Recovery Measurements

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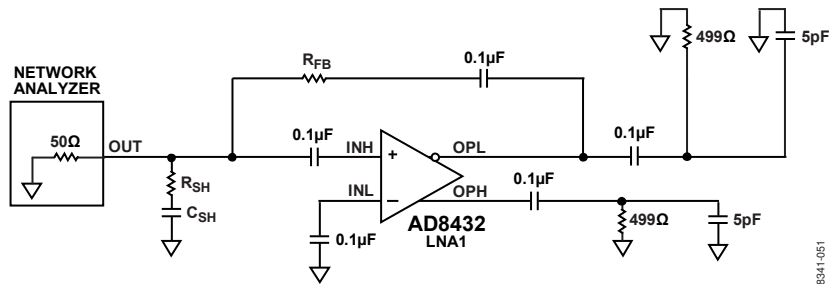


Figure 62. Input Impedance vs. Frequency Measurements

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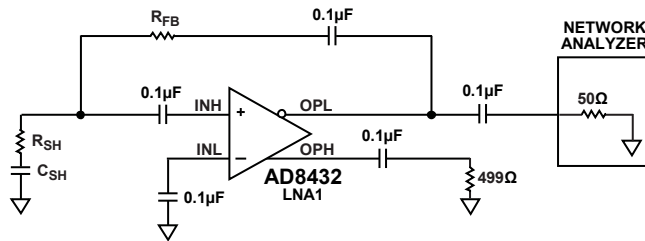


Figure 63. Output Impedance vs. Frequency Measurements

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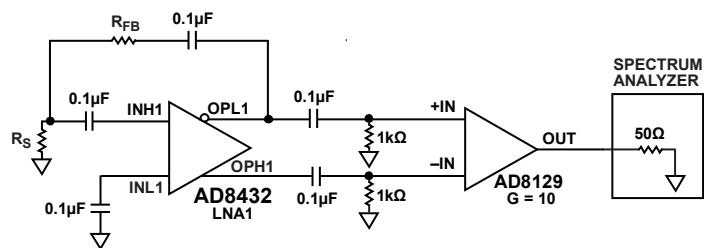


Figure 64. Noise Figure Measurements

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## THEORY OF OPERATION

### LOW NOISE AMPLIFIER (LNA)

The AD8432 is a dual-channel, ultralow noise amplifier with integrated pin-strappable, gain-setting resistors. The resistors can be externally connected to achieve differential gains of 12.04 dB, 18.06 dB, 21.58 dB, and 24.08 dB ( $\times 4$ ,  $\times 8$ ,  $\times 12$ , and  $\times 16$ , respectively). A simplified schematic of an LNA is shown in Figure 65.

The LNA is driven with a single-ended input and measured differentially at the output. The inverting input INL must be ac-coupled to ground through a capacitor for proper operation. The LNA cannot be driven differentially due to the asymmetry of the internal gain setting resistors. The gain from the inverting input INL to the single-ended output (OPH or OPL) does not match the gain from the noninverting input INH to the single-ended output.

The AD8432 inputs have a dc bias voltage of 3.25 V, which is generated internally. The inputs must be ac-coupled through a series capacitor to maintain the dc bias level of the inputs. Likewise, the AD8432 outputs have a dc bias voltage of 2.5 V. An ac coupling capacitor in series with each single-ended output is recommended to prevent improper loading of the outputs. The AD8432 inputs have a dc bias voltage of 3.25 V, which is generated internally. The inputs must be ac-coupled through a series capacitor to maintain the dc bias level of the inputs (see CINL and CINH in Figure 65).

The AD8432 supports a differential output voltage of 4.8 V p-p for the common-mode output voltage of 2.5 V. Therefore, for a

differential gain of  $G = 12.04$  dB, the maximum input voltage allowed is 1.2 V p-p.

Clamping the inputs ensures quick recovery from large input voltages. The input back-to-back diodes, which are integrated inside the die (IND1 and IND2), should be used for the lowest gain configuration (12.04 dB) to protect the input from overdriving. They should be connected after the source resistance or before the INH coupling capacitor.

The use of a fully differential topology and negative feedback minimizes distortion. A differential signal enables smaller swings at each output, which results in reduction of third-order distortion.

The AD8432 is a voltage feedback amplifier. Due to gain bandwidth product (GBW), a decrease in bandwidth should be expected as the gain increases. Table 5 displays the values of the  $-3$  dB bandwidth for each gain with unterminated input impedance.

### GAIN SETTING TECHNIQUE

Pin strapping is used to set the gain of the amplifier. Gain setting resistors are integrated in the LNA and are accessible externally through the GOH, GMH, GML, and GOL pins. By externally shorting these pins, and thereby shorting or connecting the internal resistors, the AD8432 can be configured for four different gains. Table 5 shows which pins must be connected to achieve the desired gain.

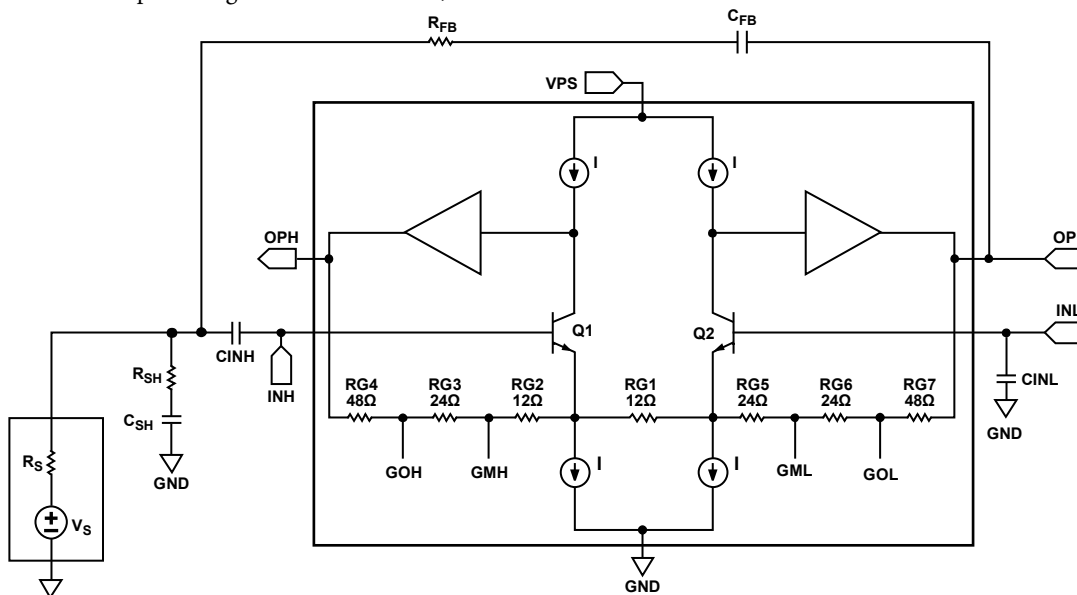


Figure 65. Simplified Schematic of a Single LNA Channel, Including External Shunt and Feedback Components

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Table 5. Gain Setting Using a Pin-Strapping Technique and -3 dB Bandwidth for Each Gain Configuration

| Differential Gain (dB) | Single Gain (dB) | -3 dB BW (MHz) | RG1 (Ω) | RG2 (Ω) | RG3 (Ω)            | RG4 (Ω)            | RG5 (Ω) | RG6 (Ω)            | RG7 (Ω)            |
|------------------------|------------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|---------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 12.04                  | 6.02             | 200            | 12      | 12      | Connect GMH to GOH | Connect GOH to OPH | 24      | Connect GML to GOL | Connect GOL to OPL |
| 18.06                  | 12.04            | 90             | 12      | 12      | 24                 | Connect GOH to OPH | 24      | 24                 | Connect GOL to OPL |
| 21.58                  | 15.56            | 50             | 12      | 12      | Connect GMH to GOH | 48                 | 24      | Connect GML to GOL | 48                 |
| 24.08                  | 18.06            | 32             | 12      | 12      | 24                 | 48                 | 24      | 24                 | 48                 |

The single-ended gain from INH to OPH (see Figure 65) is defined as

$$G_{OPH-INH} = \frac{R_{G1} + R_{G2} + R_{G3} + R_{G4}}{R_{G1}}$$

The single-ended gain from INH to OPL is defined as

$$G_{OPL-INH} = -\frac{R_{G5} + R_{G6} + R_{G7}}{R_{G1}}$$

The values of the seven gain resistors were chosen so that both single-ended gains are equal. For example, to set a gain of 12.04 dB ( $G = \times 4$ ) differentially, the gain from INH to each output (OPH, OPL) should be 6.02 dB ( $G = \times 2$ ).

INH to OPH: For  $R_{G1} = R_{G2} = R_G$ , then

$$G_{OPH-INH} = \frac{R_{G1} + R_{G2}}{R_{G1}} = \frac{2 \times R_G}{R_G} = 2$$

INH to OPL: For  $R_{G1} = R_G$  and  $R_{G5} = 2 \times R_G$ , then

$$G_{OPL-INH} = -\frac{R_{G5}}{R_{G1}} = -\frac{2 \times R_G}{R_G} = -2$$

### ACTIVE INPUT RESISTANCE MATCHING

The AD8432 reduces noise and optimizes signal power transfer by using active input termination to perform signal source resistance matching.

The primary purpose of input impedance matching is to optimize the input signal power transfer. With resistive termination, the input noise increases due to the thermal noise of the terminating resistor and the increased contribution of the input voltage noise generator of the LNA. With active impedance matching, however, the contributions of both are smaller than they are for resistive termination by a factor of  $1/(1 + \frac{1}{2} \text{ LNA gain})$ . The noise figure (NF) for the three terminating schemes is shown in Figure 67.

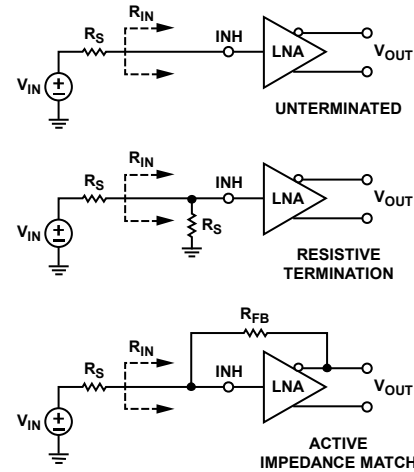


Figure 66. Input Resistance Matching

To achieve this active impedance match, connect a feedback resistor,  $R_{FB}$ , between the INH and OPL (see Figure 66).  $R_{IN}$  is given in Equation 1, where  $G/2$  is the single-ended gain.

$$R_{IN} = \frac{R_{FB}}{1 + \frac{G}{2}} \tag{1}$$

In addition, to further reduce the input resistance, there is an internal resistance of 6.2 kΩ in parallel with the source resistance, such that

$$R_{IN} = \frac{R_{FB}}{1 + \frac{G}{2}} \parallel R_{INTERNAL} \tag{2}$$

Equation 3 should be used to calculate  $R_{FB}$  accurately for a desired input resistance and single-ended gain. Refer to Table 6 for calculated results for  $R_{FB}$  for several input resistance and gain combinations.

$$\Rightarrow R_{FB} = \frac{R_{IN} \left(1 + \frac{G}{2}\right)}{1 - \frac{R_{IN}}{R_{INTERNAL}}}, R_{INTERNAL} = 6.2 \text{ k}\Omega \tag{3}$$

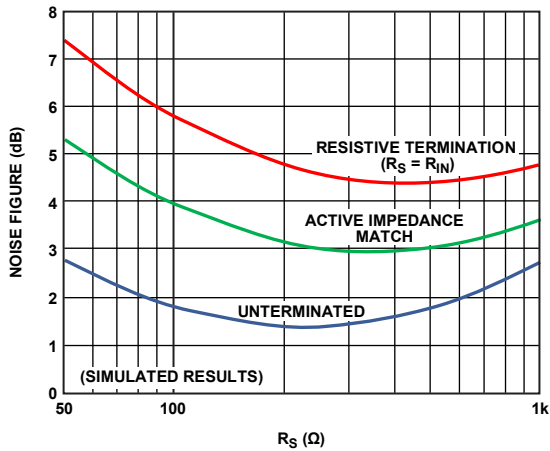


Figure 67. Noise Figure vs.  $R_s$  for Resistive, Active Match, and Terminated Inputs

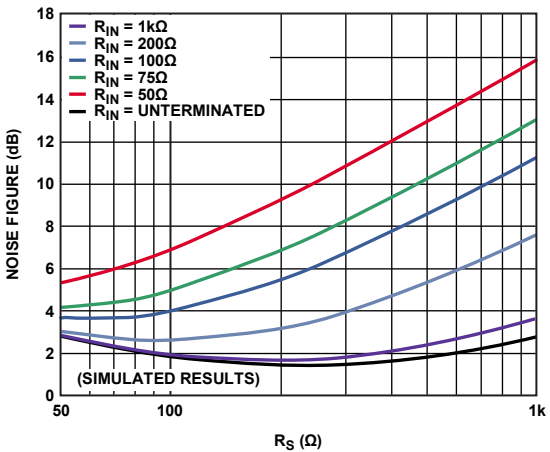


Figure 68. Noise Figure vs.  $R_s$  for Various Values of  $R_{IN}$ , Actively Matched

The user must determine the level of matching accuracy desired and adjust  $R_{FB}$  accordingly. The  $R_{FB}$  and  $C_{FB}$  network presents a load to OPL that OPH does not see. The user can add an identical load on OPH to improve slightly the distortion caused by this imbalance.

There is a feedback capacitor ( $C_{FB}$ ) in series with  $R_{FB}$  (see Figure 65) because the dc levels of the positive output and the positive input are different. At higher frequencies, the value of the feedback capacitor must be considered.

The unterminated bandwidth ( $R_{FB} = \infty$ ) is 200 MHz. The AD8432 has a low input-referred voltage noise of  $0.85 \text{ nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  at the lowest gain, 12.04 dB (unterminated configuration). To achieve such low noise, the dual amplifier consumes 24 mA, resulting in a power consumption of 120 mW.

Table 6. Feedback Resistance for Several  $R_{IN}$  and Gain Combinations

| Desired $R_{IN}$ ( $\Omega$ ) | Differential Gain (V/V) | Single-Ended Gain, $G/2$ (V/V) | Exact $R_{FB}$ ( $\Omega$ ), Equation 2 | $R_{FB}$ ( $\Omega$ ), 1% Standard Value | Actual $R_{IN}$ ( $\Omega$ ), Equation 2 |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|--|
| 50                            | 4                       | 2                              | 151.2                                   | 150                                      | 49.6                                     |
| 75                            | 4                       | 2                              | 227.8                                   | 226                                      | 74.4                                     |
| 100                           | 4                       | 2                              | 304.9                                   | 301                                      | 98.7                                     |
| 200                           | 4                       | 2                              | 620                                     | 619                                      | 199.7                                    |
| 1 k                           | 4                       | 2                              | 3.58 k                                  | 3.57 k                                   | 998.4                                    |
| 50                            | 8                       | 4                              | 252                                     | 250                                      | 49.6                                     |
| 100                           | 8                       | 4                              | 508.2                                   | 511                                      | 100.5                                    |
| 50                            | 12                      | 6                              | 352.9                                   | 357                                      | 50.6                                     |
| 100                           | 12                      | 6                              | 711.5                                   | 715                                      | 100.5                                    |
| 50                            | 16                      | 8                              | 453.7                                   | 453                                      | 49.9                                     |
| 100                           | 16                      | 8                              | 914.8                                   | 909                                      | 99.4                                     |

## APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

The AD8432 LNA provides precision gain and ultralow noise performance with minimal external components. Because it is a high performance part, care must be taken to ensure that it is configured optimally to attain the best performance and dynamic range for the system.

### TYPICAL SETUP

The internal bias circuitry of the AD8432 sets the input bias voltage at 3.25 V and the output bias voltage at 2.5 V. It is important to ac couple the inputs through a capacitor to maintain the internal dc bias levels. When active input termination is used ( $R_{FB}$ ), a decoupling capacitor ( $C_{FB}$ ) is required to isolate the input and output bias voltages of the LNA. A typical value for  $C_{FB}$  is 0.1  $\mu$ F, but a smaller value capacitor is more appropriate at higher frequencies.

The unterminated input impedance of the AD8432 is 6.2 k $\Omega$ . Any input resistance between 50  $\Omega$  and 6.2 k $\Omega$  can be synthesized using active impedance matching.

At the lowest gain (12.04 dB), the gain response exhibits some peaking at higher frequencies. A resistor-capacitor shunt network (RC) at the input (see  $R_{SHx}$  and  $C_{SHx}$  in Figure 69) is recommended to reduce gain peaking and enhance stability at higher frequencies.

Table 7 shows the recommended values of  $R_{FB}$ ,  $C_{SH}$ , and  $R_{SH}$  for all four gains and several input impedance combinations. The values for the  $C_{SH}$  and  $R_{SH}$  network are determined empirically and can be customized as needed to optimize performance. As  $R_{IN}$  increases, the value of  $C_{SH}$  diminishes, and for higher input impedance values, no capacitor may be required.

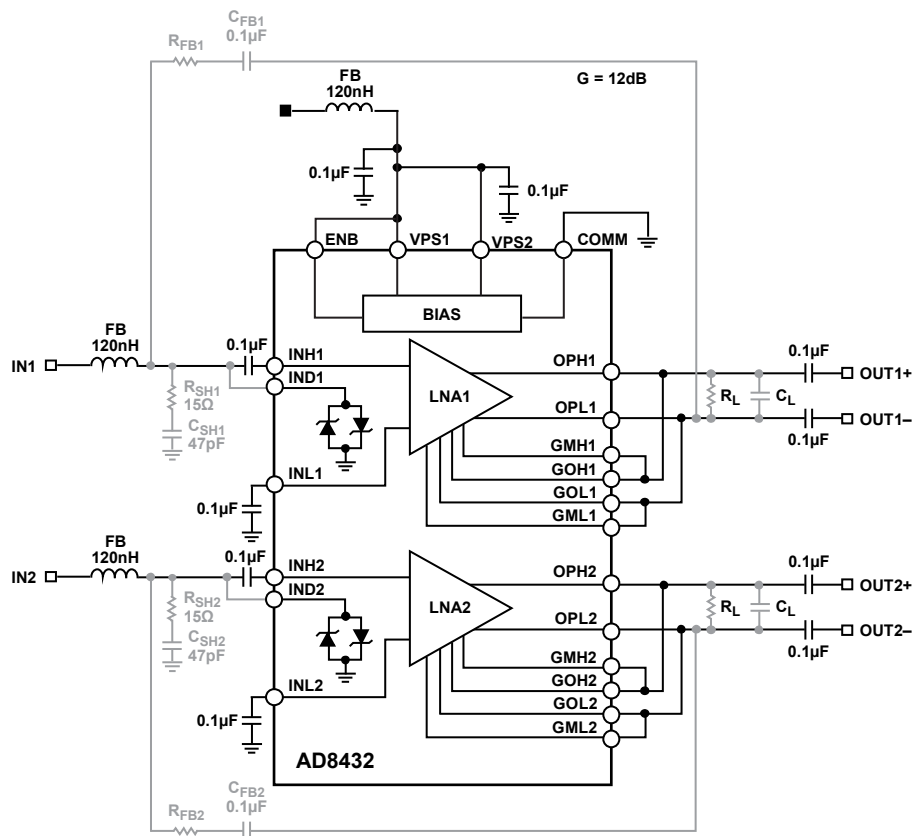


Figure 69. Typical AD8432 Setup,  $G = 12.04\text{ dB}$

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Table 7. External Component Selections for Common Input Impedance

| $R_{IN}$ ( $\Omega$ )           | Gain (dB) | $R_{FB1,2}$ ( $\Omega$ ) | $C_{SH1,2}$ (pF) | $R_{SH1,2}$ ( $\Omega$ ) | -3 dB BW (MHz) |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| 50                              | 12        | 150                      | 47               | 15                       | 176            |
|                                 | 18        | 249                      | 30               | 15                       | 116            |
|                                 | 21        | 357                      | None             | None                     | 117            |
|                                 | 24        | 453                      | None             | None                     | 87             |
| 75                              | 12        | 226                      | 36               | 15                       | 167            |
|                                 | 18        | 383                      | None             | None                     | 144            |
|                                 | 21        | 536                      | None             | None                     | 100            |
|                                 | 24        | 681                      | None             | None                     | 72             |
| 100                             | 12        | 301                      | 30               | 15                       | 164            |
|                                 | 18        | 511                      | None             | None                     | 134            |
|                                 | 21        | 715                      | None             | None                     | 90             |
|                                 | 24        | 909                      | None             | None                     | 63             |
| 200                             | 12        | 619                      | 18               | 15                       | 164            |
|                                 | 18        | 1.02 k                   | None             | None                     | 116            |
|                                 | 21        | 1.43 k                   | None             | None                     | 74             |
|                                 | 24        | 1.87 k                   | None             | None                     | 51             |
| 1 k                             | 12        | 3.57 k                   | 10               | 10                       | 160            |
|                                 | 18        | 5.9 k                    | None             | None                     | 99             |
|                                 | 21        | 8.25 k                   | None             | None                     | 61             |
|                                 | 24        | 10.7 k                   | None             | None                     | 43             |
| Unterminated, $R_S = 50 \Omega$ | 12        | $\infty$                 | None             | None                     | 178            |
|                                 | 18        | $\infty$                 | None             | None                     | 95             |
|                                 | 21        | $\infty$                 | None             | None                     | 59             |
|                                 | 24        | $\infty$                 | None             | None                     | 40             |
| Unterminated, $R_S = 0 \Omega$  | 12        | $\infty$                 | None             | None                     | 210            |
|                                 | 18        | $\infty$                 | None             | None                     | 96             |
|                                 | 21        | $\infty$                 | None             | None                     | 55             |
|                                 | 24        | $\infty$                 | None             | None                     | 38             |

**I/Q DEMODULATION FRONT END**

The AD8432 low noise amplifiers can be used to drive the differential RF inputs of the dual AD8333 or the quad AD8339 I/Q demodulators. The primary application for the AD8339 is phased array beamforming in medical ultrasound, specifically in CW Doppler processing. Other applications include phased array radar and smart antennas for mobile communications.

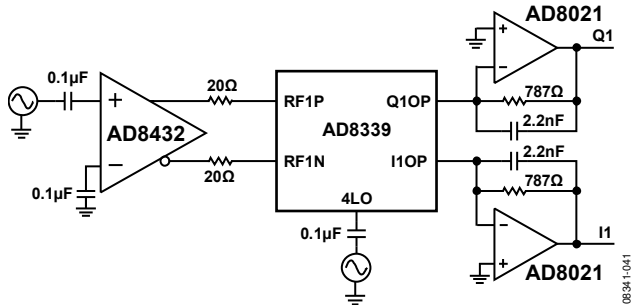


Figure 70. Block Diagram of AD8432 and AD8339 Application for Ultrasound Beamforming

Because of its low output noise and low distortion, the AD8432 ensures minimal degradation in dynamic range while amplifying the RF input signal. At the lowest gain of 12.04 dB, the AD8432 contributes only 3.4 nV/√Hz output voltage noise.

Figure 70 shows a simplified block diagram of one channel of the AD8432 driving the AD8339. The AD8432 outputs can be connected directly to the AD8339 RF inputs through 20 Ω resistors. A differential clock signal, 4LO, which is applied to the

4LOP and 4LON pins of the AD8339, has a frequency 4× that of the RF inputs. The AD8339 downconverts the RF signals, generates quadrature, and phase-shifts the resultant I and Q signals.

The I and Q outputs of the AD8339 are current outputs. A transimpedance amplifier, such as the AD8021, processes the outputs and performs several functions, including the following:

- Current-to-voltage conversion
- Summation amplifier for multiple channels
- Active low-pass filter

In beamforming applications, the I and Q outputs of a number of receiver channels are summed, which increases the system dynamic range by  $10 \log_{10}(N)$ , where N is the number of channels being summed. The external RC feedback network of the AD8021 is a 100 kHz low-pass filter as shown in Figure 70. See the AD8333 and AD8339 datasheets for more details on implementing I/Q demodulators.

Evaluation boards are available for the AD8432 and the AD8339 to facilitate system level design and testing. A detailed reference schematic of the setup is shown in Figure 71. The AD8432 is shown in this configuration with a gain of 12.04 dB, with unterminated inputs. If active termination is preferred, use an R<sub>FB</sub> and C<sub>FB</sub> network as discussed in the Theory of Operation section. The IND1/IND2 clamping diodes can be connected to IN1/IN2 to protect the LNA input from being overdriven.

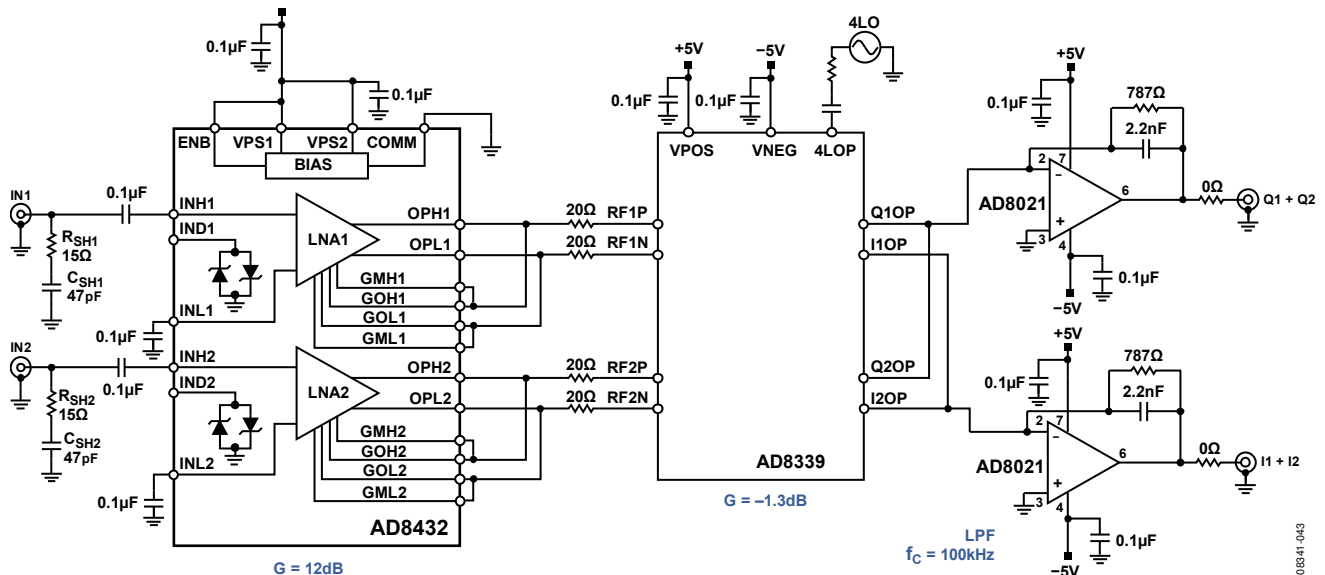


Figure 71. Schematic of the AD8432 (G = 12.04 dB) and AD8339 Application for Ultrasound Beamforming



**DIFFERENTIAL-TO-SINGLE-ENDED CONVERSION**

Some applications require the low noise and high dynamic range of the AD8432; however, they may also require a single-ended output, rather than a differential output. The AD8129 or AD8130 differential receiver amplifier can be used for the differential-to-single-ended conversion of the AD8432 output, as shown in Figure 72.

The AD8129 is a low noise, high gain (10 or greater) amplifier intended for applications over very long cables, where signal attenuation is significant. The AD8130 is stable at a gain of 1 and can be used for applications where lower gains are required. The AD8129 and AD8130 have user-adjustable gain, set by the ratio of two resistors, to help compensate for losses in the transmission line.

A transformer or balun can also be used to convert the differential output of the AD8432 to a single-ended output. Transformers have lower distortion; however, care must be taken to properly match the impedance of the transformer. The test circuit for distortion measurements in Figure 58 uses an ADTT1-1 transformer to perform differential-to-single-ended conversion.

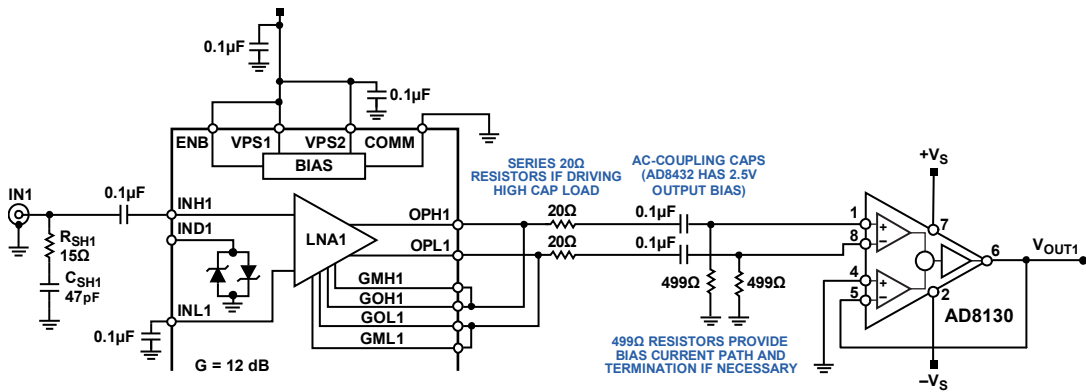


Figure 72. AD8432 Differential-to-Single-Ended Conversion Using the AD8129/AD8130 with Unity Gain

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## EVALUATION BOARD

Figure 73 is a photo of the AD8432 evaluation board. Completely assembled and pretested, the board provides convenient and fast verification of system design and to assess the performance of the AD8432 under user-specific operating conditions. The remainder of this section describes the operation and construction of the board.

Figure 74 through Figure 79 are various artwork and assembly views and Figure 80 shows the schematic diagram. The board provides access to the inputs, the outputs, and the gain settings. As shipped, the board is configured for a gain of 21 dB and 50 Ω input termination. Multiple combinations of gain and impedance matching are available to the user.

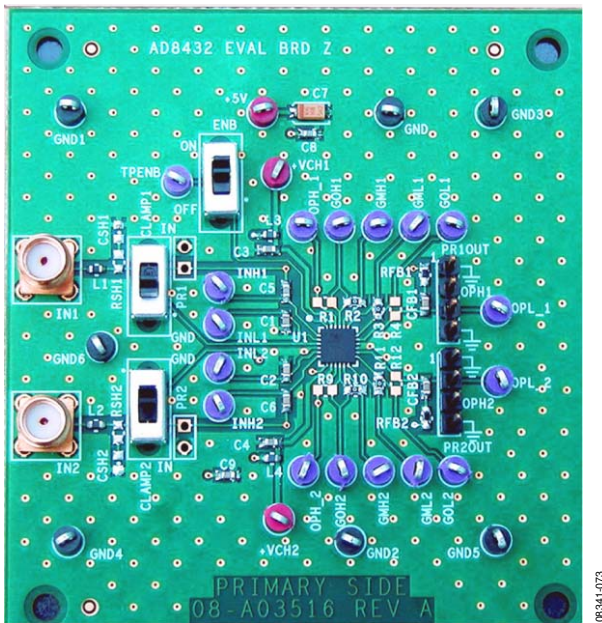


Figure 73. Evaluation Board

## CONNECTION AND OPERATION

### Power Supply

The AD8432 requires only a single 5 V supply connected to the +5V red test loop and black test loop GND next to it. Separate power pins are provided for the two LNA channels, but the two amplifier sections are wired together and rf-decoupled by small inductors as a precaution. The remaining red test loops are for pin probing as necessary. Should the need for amplifier isolation arise, simply un-power the unneeded amplifier by removing L3 or L4. (Refer to Figure 74 and Figure 80.)

### Input Termination

The AD8432 features active input termination and boards are shipped for 50 Ω. The input impedance is determined by the LNA gain, and the feedback resistors  $R_{FB1}$  and  $R_{FB2}$  (see the schematic in Figure 80) and source impedance (refer to the Theory of Operation section and Table 7).  $C_{FB}$  provides the necessary ac coupling between the input and output when using active termination; a 0.1 μF capacitor is recommended. The  $R_{FB}$  and  $C_{FB}$  network presents a load to the OPL; if needed, an equivalent load at OPH balances the differential output.

Switches CLAMP1 and CLAMP2 connect the input clamping diodes (IND1 and IND2) across the signal path. The diodes provide input overvoltage protection in applications where fast transient pulses exceeding 5.5 V or less than -0.6 V are present. Clamping diodes enable faster overdrive recovery times, especially at the lowest gain (12.04 dB). Fast transients are usually not fatal to the device, which features ESD protection in any event.

### Setting the Amplifier Gain

The violet test loops OPnn, GOnn and GMnn and Resistors R1–R4 and Resistors R9–R12 are provided for gain adjustment. Install 0 Ω resistors to reduce gain, leaving the positions open to increase gain. As shipped, the evaluation board is configured for  $G = 21$  dB (12×). Table 8 lists the configuration for the four available LNA gain values.

Table 8. Gain Setting Configuration

| LNA1 | LNA2 | GAIN dB(×)     |                |                |        |
|------|------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--------|
|      |      | 8(4)           | 18(8)          | 21(12)         | 24(16) |
| R1   | R9   | Y <sup>1</sup> | Y <sup>1</sup> | open           | open   |
| R2   | R10  | Y <sup>1</sup> | open           | Y <sup>1</sup> | open   |
| R3   | R11  | Y <sup>1</sup> | open           | Y <sup>1</sup> | open   |
| R4   | R12  | Y <sup>1</sup> | Y <sup>1</sup> | open           | open   |

<sup>1</sup> Y = Install 0 Ω.

### Output

The 4-pin headers PR1OUT and PR2OUT are placed close to the AD8432, and provide a way for monitoring the differential output or the single-ended output using a high impedance differential probe. The two inner pins of the headers are connected to OPL/OPH, and the two outer pins of the headers are connected to ground.