

LM4908 Boomer® Audio Power Amplifier Series 10kV ESD Rated, Dual 120 mW Headphone Amplifier

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FEATURES

- Up to 10kV ESD Protection on All Pins
- VSSOP, SOIC, and WSON Surface Mount Packaging
- Switch On/Off Click Suppression
- Excellent Power Supply Ripple Rejection
- Unity-Gain Stable
- Minimum External Components

APPLICATIONS

- Headphone Amplifier
- Personal Computers
- Portable Electronic Devices

KEY SPECIFICATIONS

- THD+N at 1kHz at 120mW continuous average output power into 16Ω: 0.1 % (typ)
- THD+N at 1kHz at 75mW continuous average output power into 32Ω: 0.1 % (typ)
- Output power at 0.1% THD+N at 1kHz into 32Ω 75 mW (typ)

DESCRIPTION

The LM4908 is a dual audio power amplifier capable of delivering 120mW per channel of continuous average power into a 16Ω load with 0.1% (THD+N) from a 5V power supply.

Boomer audio power amplifiers were designed specifically to provide high quality output power with a minimal amount of external components using surface mount packaging. Since the LM4908 does not require bootstrap capacitors or snubber networks, it is optimally suited for low-power portable systems.

The unity-gain stable LM4908 can be configured by external gain-setting resistors.



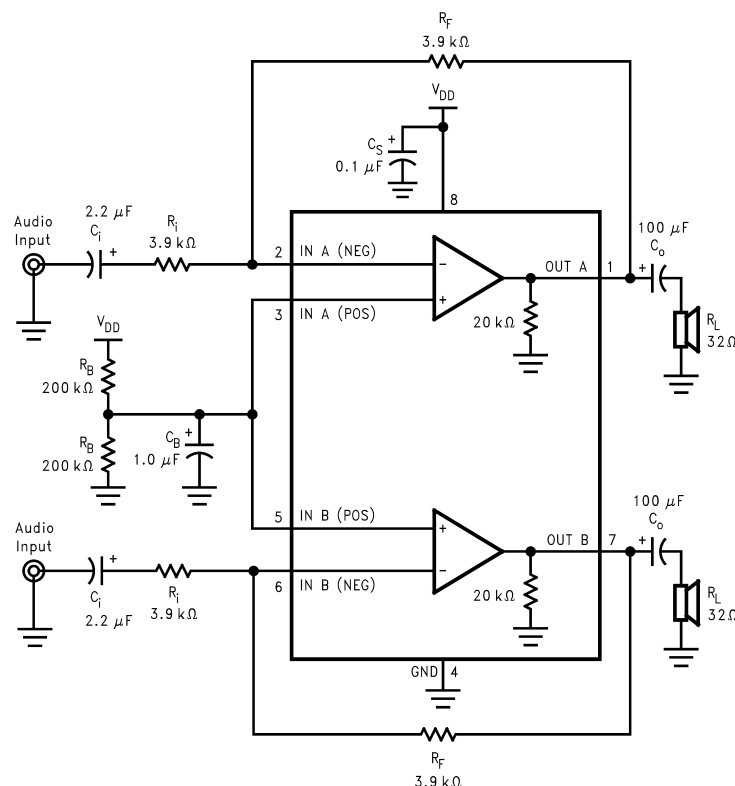
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Typical Application



Refer to [APPLICATION INFORMATION](#) for information concerning proper selection of the input and output coupling capacitors.

Figure 1. Typical Audio Amplifier Application Circuit

Connection Diagram

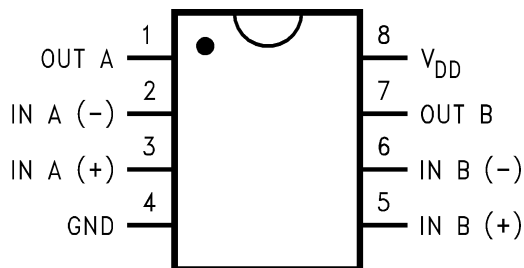


Figure 2. Top View
SOIC (D) and VSSOP (DGK) Package
See Package Number D0008A, DGK0008A

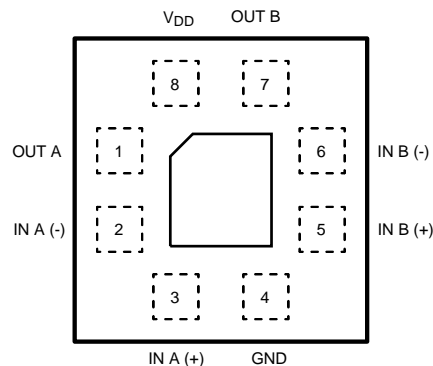


Figure 3. Top View
WSON (NGP) Package
See Package Number NGP0008A



These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

| | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Supply Voltage | | | 6.0V |
| Storage Temperature | | | −65°C to +150°C |
| Input Voltage | | | −0.3V to V _{DD} + 0.3V |
| Power Dissipation ⁽³⁾ | | | Internally limited |
| ESD Susceptibility ⁽⁴⁾ | | | 10.0kV |
| ESD Susceptibility ⁽⁵⁾ | | | 500V |
| Junction Temperature | | | 150°C |
| Soldering Information ⁽⁶⁾ | Small Outline Package | Vapor Phase (60 seconds) | 215°C |
| | | Infrared (15 seconds) | 220°C |
| Thermal Resistance | | θ _{JC} (VSSOP) | 56°C/W |
| | | θ _{JA} (VSSOP) | 210°C/W |
| | | θ _{JC} (SOIC) | 35°C/W |
| | | θ _{JA} (SOIC) | 170°C/W |
| | | θ _{JC} (WSON) | 15°C/W |
| | | θ _{JA} (WSON) | 117°C/W ⁽⁷⁾ |
| | | θ _{JA} (WSON) | 150°C/W ⁽⁸⁾ |

- (1) **Absolute Maximum Ratings** indicate limits beyond which damage to the device may occur. **Operating Ratings** indicate conditions for which the device is functional, but do not ensure specific performance limits. state DC and AC electrical specifications under particular test conditions which ensure specific performance limits. This assumes that the device is within the Operating Ratings. Specifications are not ensured for parameters where no limit is given, however, the typical value is a good indication of device performance.
- (2) If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/ Distributors for availability and specifications.
- (3) The maximum power dissipation must be derated at elevated temperatures and is dictated by T_{JMAX}, θ_{JA} , and the ambient temperature T_A. The maximum allowable power dissipation is P_{DMAX} = (T_{JMAX} – T_A) / θ_{JA} . For the LM4908, T_{JMAX} = 150°C, and the typical junction-to-ambient thermal resistance, when board mounted, is 210°C/W for package MUA08A and 170°C/W for package M08A.
- (4) Human body model, 100pF discharged through a 1.5k Ω resistor.
- (5) Machine Model, 220pF–240pF discharged through all pins.
- (6) See <http://www.ti.com> for other methods of soldering surface mount devices.
- (7) The given θ_{JA} is for an LM4908 packaged in an LQB08A with the Exposed-DAP soldered to a printed circuit board copper pad with an area equivalent to that of the Exposed-DAP itself.
- (8) The given θ_{JA} is for an LM4908 packaged in an LQB08A with the Exposed-DAP not soldered to any printed circuit board copper.

OPERATING RATINGS

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| Temperature Range | |
| T _{MIN} ≤ T _A ≤ T _{MAX} | –40°C ≤ T _A ≤ 85°C |
| Supply Voltage | 2.0V ≤ V _{DD} ≤ 5.5V |

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ^{(1) (2)}

The following specifications apply for V_{DD} = 5V unless otherwise specified, limits apply to T_A = 25°C.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | LM4908 | | Units (Limits) |
|-------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| | | | Typ ⁽³⁾ | Limit ⁽⁴⁾ | |
| V _{DD} | Supply Voltage | | | 2.0 | V (min) |
| | | | | 5.5 | V (max) |
| I _{DD} | Supply Current | V _{IN} = 0V, I _O = 0A | 1.6 | 3.0 | mA (max) |
| P _{tot} | Total Power Dissipation | V _{IN} = 0V, I _O = 0A | 8 | 16.5 | mW (max) |
| V _{OS} | Input Offset Voltage | V _{IN} = 0V | 5 | 50 | mV (max) |
| I _{bias} | Input Bias Current | | 10 | | pA |

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- (3) Typicals are measured at 25°C and represent the parametric norm.
- (4) Tested limits are guaranteed to TI's AOQL (Average Outgoing Quality Level). Datasheet min/max specification limits are specified by design, test, or statistical analysis.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾ (continued)

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| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | LM4908 | | Units (Limits) |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| | | | Typ ⁽³⁾ | Limit ⁽⁴⁾ | |
| V_{CM} | Common Mode Voltage | | 0 | | V |
| | | | 4.3 | | V |
| G_V | Open-Loop Voltage Gain | $R_L = 5k\Omega$ | 67 | | dB |
| I_O | Max Output Current | THD+N < 0.1 % | 70 | | mA |
| R_O | Output Resistance | | 0.1 | | Ω |
| V_O | Output Swing | $R_L = 32\Omega$, 0.1% THD+N, Min | .3 | | V |
| | | $R_L = 32\Omega$, 0.1% THD+N, Max | 4.7 | | |
| PSRR | Power Supply Rejection Ratio | $C_b = 1.0\mu F$, Vripple = 100mV _{pp} , f = 40Hz | 90 | | dB |
| Crosstalk | Channel Separation | $R_L = 32\Omega$, f = 1kHz | 82 | | dB |
| THD+N | Total Harmonic Distortion + Noise | f = 1 kHz | | | |
| | | $R_L = 16\Omega$, $V_O = 3.5V_{pp}$ (at 0 dB) | 0.05 | | % |
| | | | 66 | | dB |
| | | $R_L = 32\Omega$, $V_O = 3.5V_{pp}$ (at 0 dB) | 0.05 | | % |
| | | | 66 | | dB |
| | | | | | |
| SNR | Signal-to-Noise Ratio | $V_O = 3.5V_{pp}$ (at 0 dB) | 100 | | dB |
| f_G | Unity Gain Frequency | Open Loop, $R_L = 5k\Omega$ | 25 | | MHz |
| P_O | Output Power | THD+N = 0.1%, f = 1 kHz | | | |
| | | $R_L = 16\Omega$ | 120 | | mW |
| | | $R_L = 32\Omega$ | 75 | 60 | mW |
| | | THD+N = 10%, f = 1 kHz | | | |
| | | $R_L = 16\Omega$ | 157 | | mW |
| | | $R_L = 32\Omega$ | 99 | | mW |
| C_I | Input Capacitance | | 3 | | pF |
| C_L | Load Capacitance | | | 200 | pF |
| SR | Slew Rate | Unity Gain Inverting | 3 | | V/ μs |

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ⁽¹⁾ ⁽²⁾

The following specifications apply for $V_{DD} = 3.3V$ unless otherwise specified, limits apply to $T_A = 25^\circ C$.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Conditions | | Units (Limits) |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| | | | Typ ⁽³⁾ | Limit ⁽⁴⁾ | |
| I_{DD} | Supply Current | $V_{IN} = 0V$, $I_O = 0A$ | 1.4 | | mA (max) |
| V_{OS} | Input Offset Voltage | $V_{IN} = 0V$ | 5 | | mV (max) |
| P_O | Output Power | THD+N = 0.1%, f = 1 kHz | | | |
| | | $R_L = 16\Omega$ | 43 | | mW |
| | | $R_L = 32\Omega$ | 30 | | mW |
| | | THD+N = 10%, f = 1 kHz | | | |
| | | $R_L = 16\Omega$ | 61 | | mW |
| | | $R_L = 32\Omega$ | 41 | | mW |

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(3) Typical values are measured at $25^\circ C$ and represent the parametric norm.

(4) Tested limits are guaranteed to TI's AOQL (Average Outgoing Quality Level). Datasheet min/max specification limits are specified by design, test, or statistical analysis.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ^{(1) (2)}

The following specifications apply for $V_{DD} = 2.6V$ unless otherwise specified, limits apply to $T_A = 25^\circ C$.

| Symbol | Parameter | Conditions | Conditions | | Units (Limits) |
|----------|----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------|
| | | | Typ ⁽³⁾ | Limit ⁽⁴⁾ | |
| I_{DD} | Supply Current | $V_{IN} = 0V, I_O = 0A$ | 1.3 | | mA (max) |
| V_{OS} | Input Offset Voltage | $V_{IN} = 0V$ | 5 | | mV (max) |
| P_o | Output Power | THD+N = 0.1%, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$ | | | |
| | | $R_L = 16\Omega$ | 20 | | mW |
| | | $R_L = 32\Omega$ | 16 | | mW |
| | | THD+N = 10%, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$ | | | |
| | | $R_L = 16\Omega$ | 34 | | mW |
| | | $R_L = 32\Omega$ | 24 | | mW |

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EXTERNAL COMPONENTS DESCRIPTION

(see [Figure 1](#))

| Components | Functional Description |
|------------|--|
| 1. R_i | The inverting input resistance, along with R_f , set the closed-loop gain. R_i , along with C_i , form a high pass filter with $f_c = 1/(2\pi R_i C_i)$. |
| 2. C_i | The input coupling capacitor blocks DC voltage at the amplifier's input terminals. C_i , along with R_i , create a highpass filter with $f_c = 1/(2\pi R_i C_i)$. See SELECTING PROPER EXTERNAL COMPONENTS for an explanation of determining the value of C_i . |
| 3. R_f | The feedback resistance, along with R_i , set closed-loop gain. |
| 4. C_S | This is the supply bypass capacitor. It provides power supply filtering. See APPLICATION INFORMATION for proper placement and selection of the supply bypass capacitor. |
| 5. C_B | This is the half-supply bypass pin capacitor. It provides half-supply filtering. See SELECTING PROPER EXTERNAL COMPONENTS for information concerning proper placement and selection of C_B . |
| 6. C_O | This is the output coupling capacitor. It blocks the DC voltage at the amplifier's output and forms a high pass filter with R_L at $f_o = 1/(2\pi R_L C_O)$ |
| 7. R_B | This is the resistor which forms a voltage divider that provides $1/2 V_{DD}$ to the non-inverting input of the amplifier. |

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

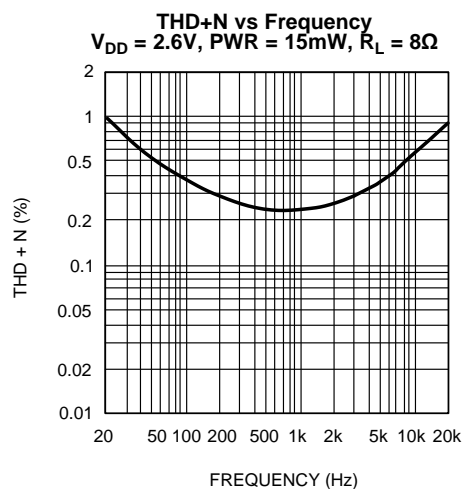


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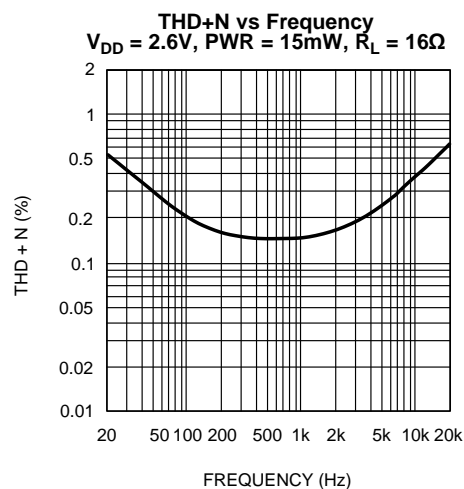


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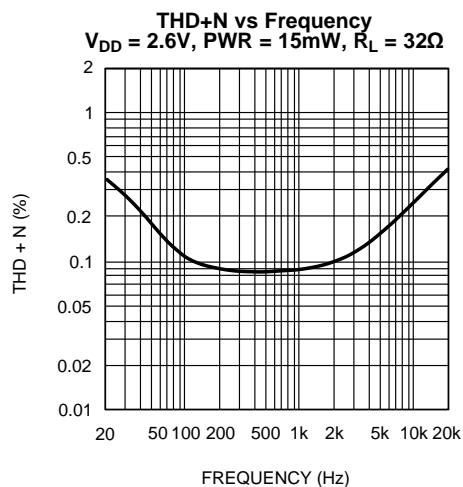


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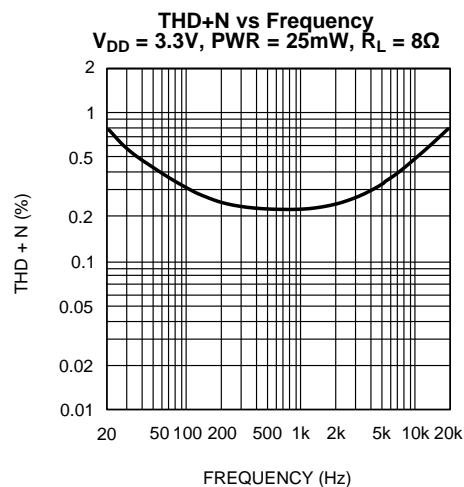


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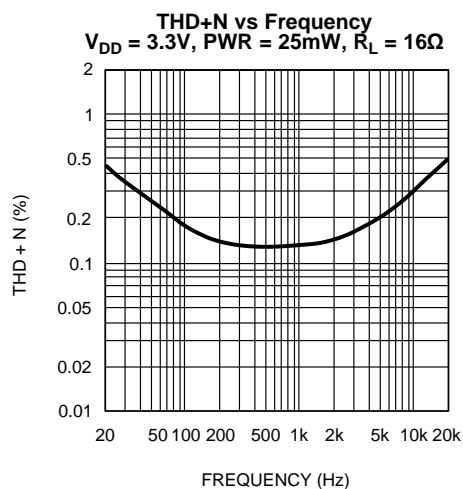


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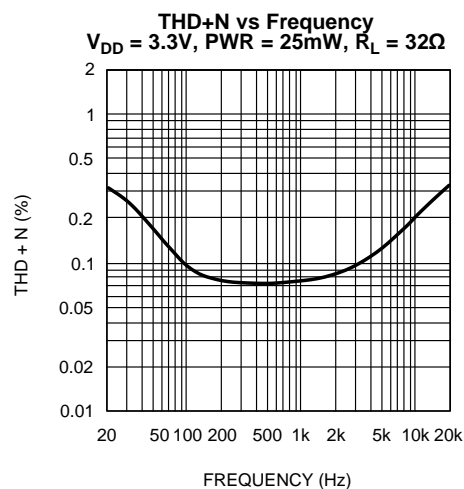


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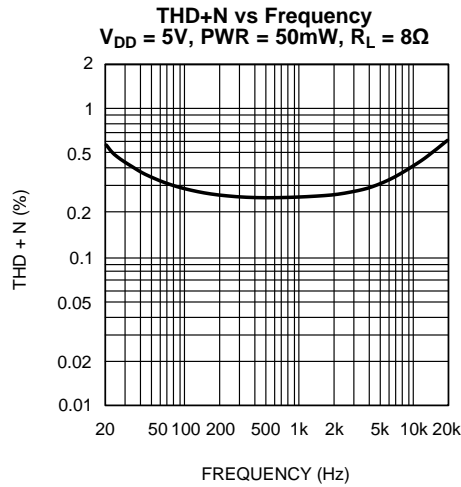


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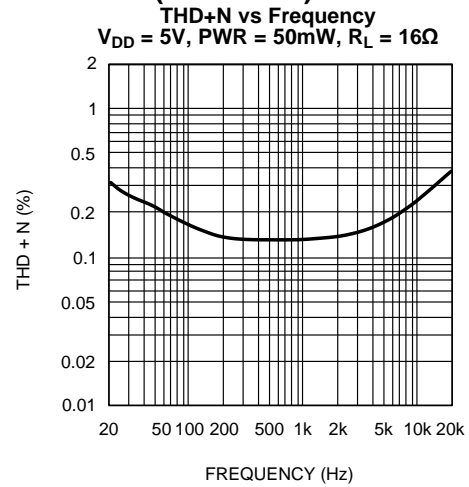


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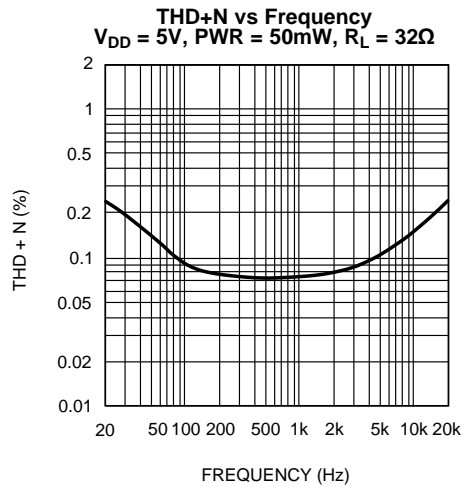


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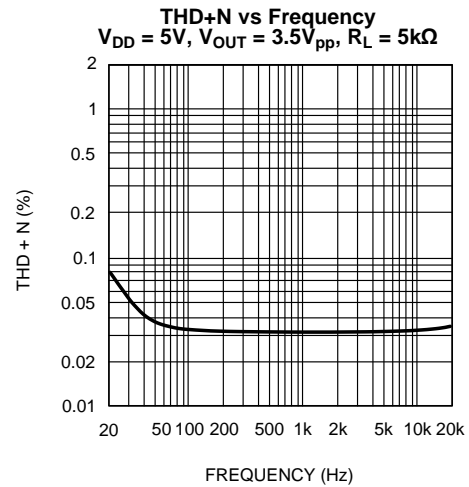


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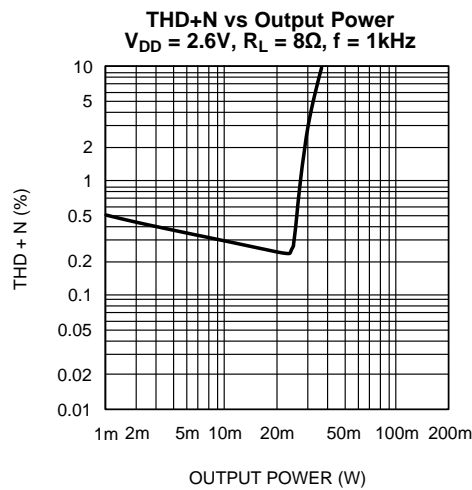


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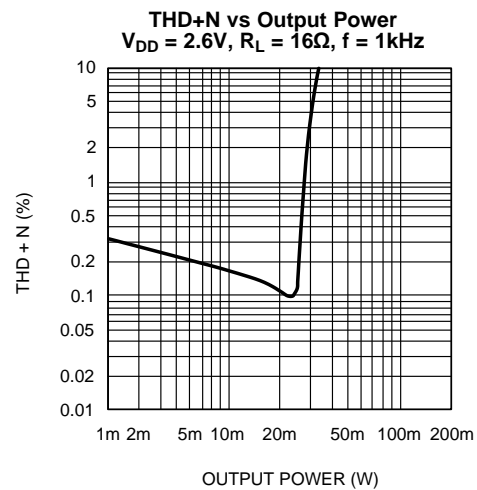


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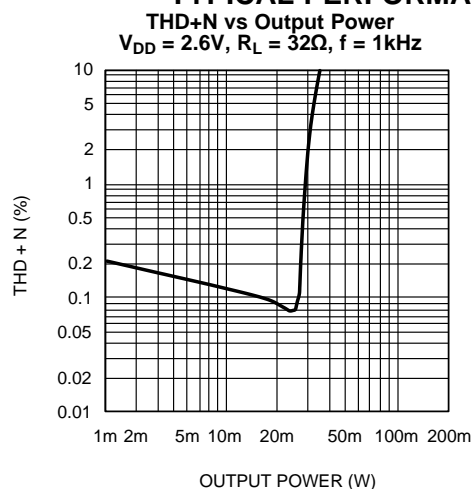
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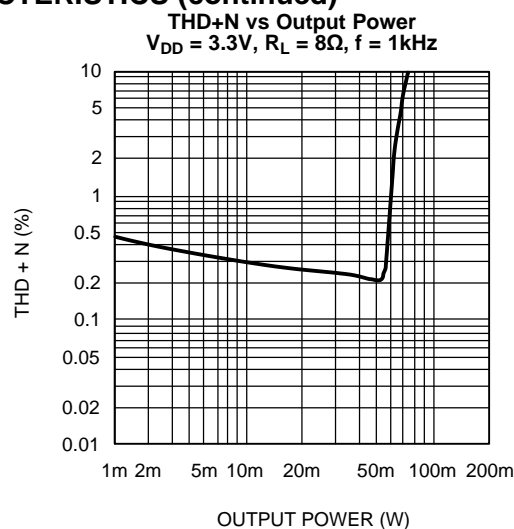


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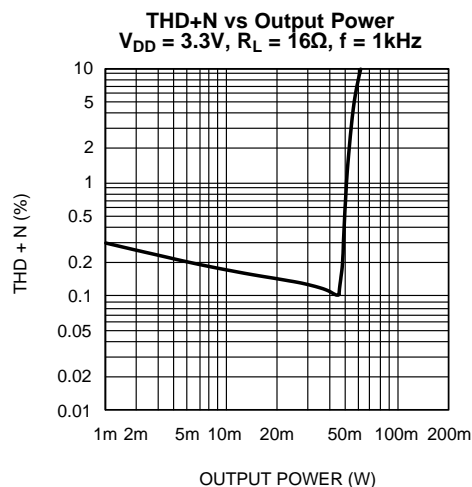


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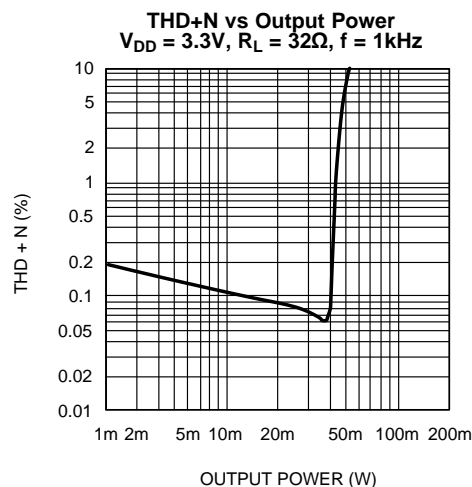


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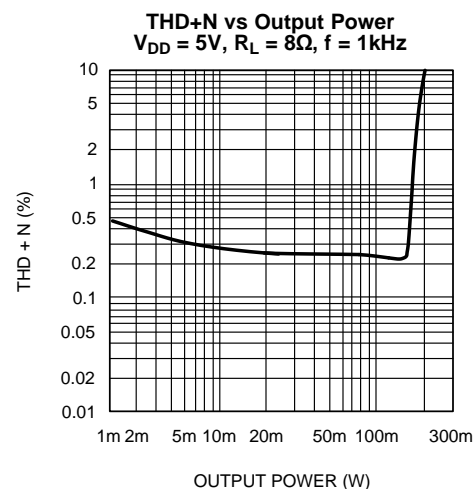


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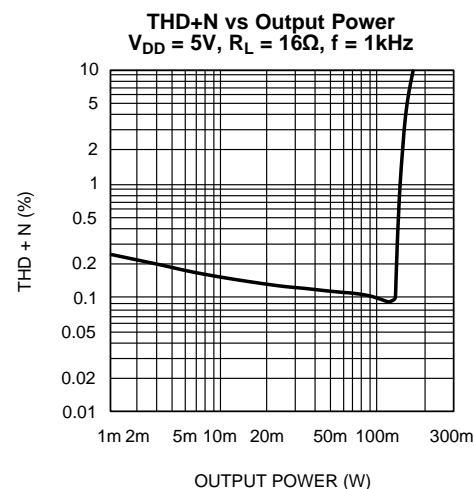


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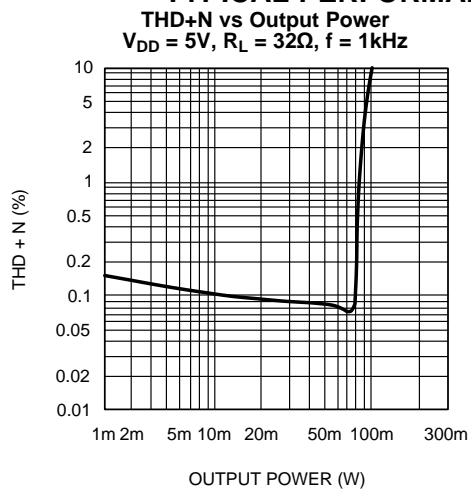


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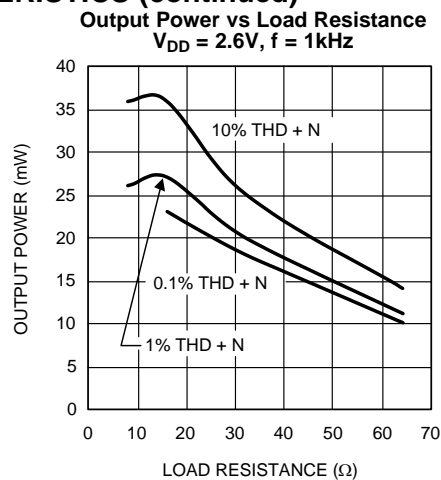


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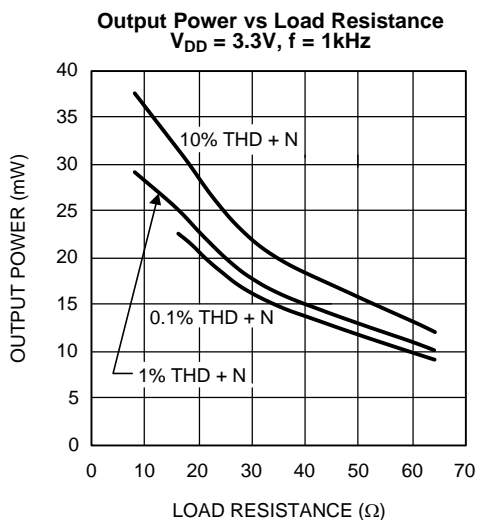


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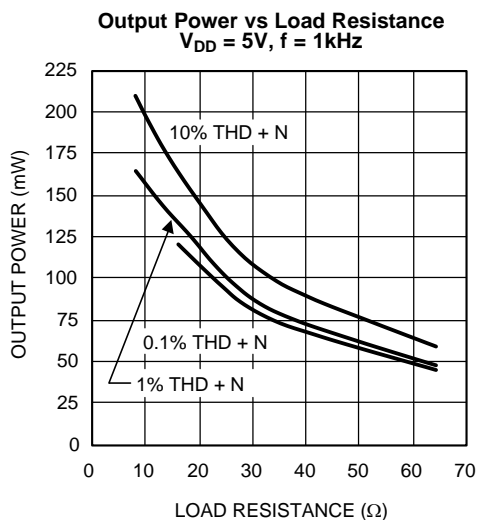


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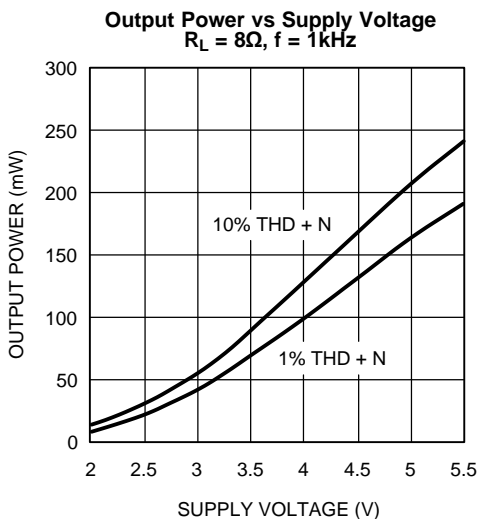


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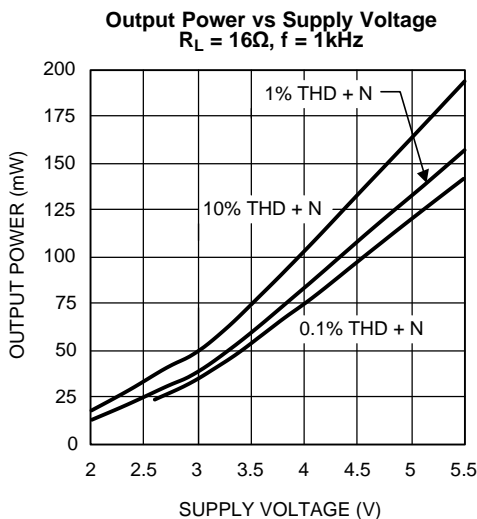
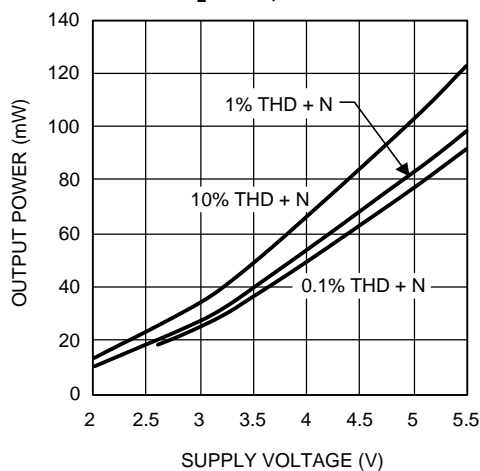
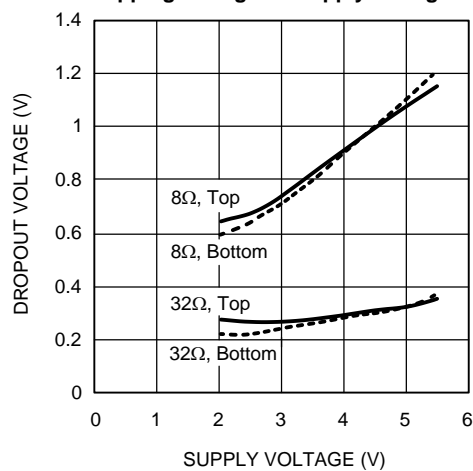
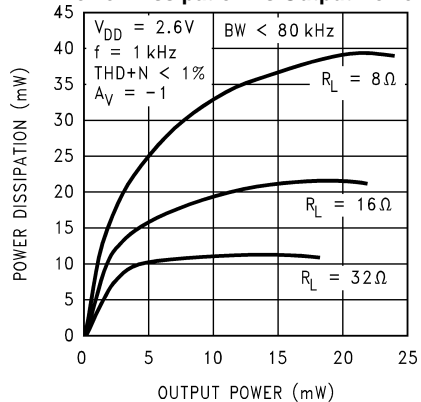
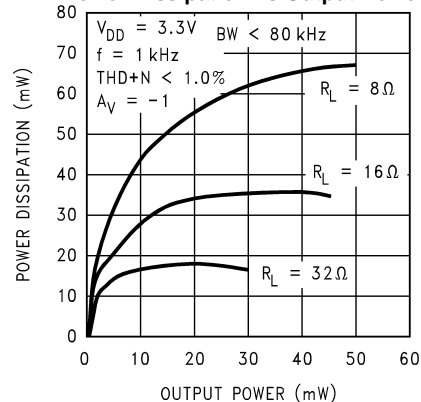
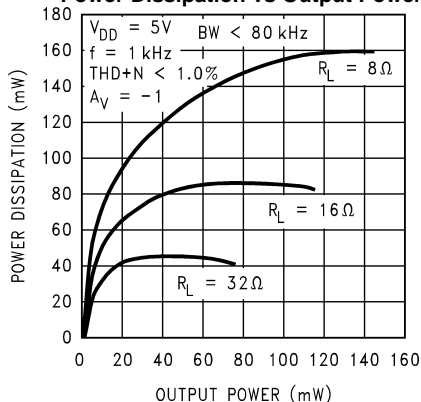
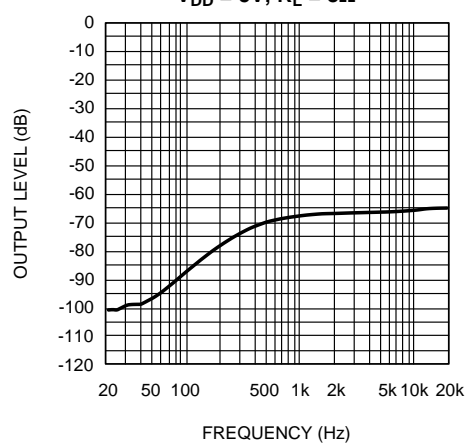


Figure 27.

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS (continued)**Output Power vs Supply Voltage**
 $R_L = 32\Omega$, $f = 1\text{ kHz}$ **Figure 28.****Clipping Voltage vs Supply Voltage****Figure 29.****Power Dissipation vs Output Power****Figure 30.****Power Dissipation vs Output Power****Figure 31.****Power Dissipation vs Output Power****Figure 32.****Crosstalk vs Frequency**
 $V_{DD} = 5\text{V}$, $R_L = 8\Omega$ **Figure 33.**

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

Crosstalk vs Frequency
 $V_{DD} = 5V$, $R_L = 32\Omega$

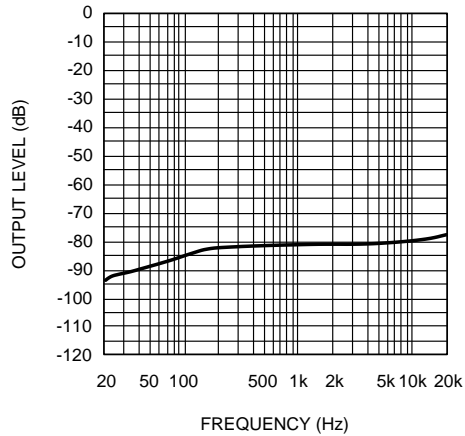


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Output Noise vs Frequency
 $V_{DD} = 5V$, $R_L = 32\Omega$

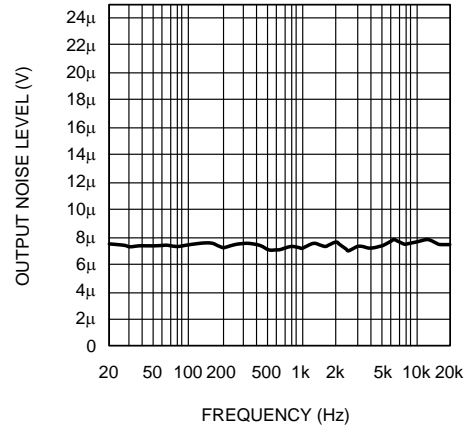


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PSRR vs Frequency
 $V_{DD} = 5V$, $R_L = 32\Omega$, $V_{RIPPLE} = 100mV_{pp}$
Pins 3 and 5 directly driven, Inputs Floating

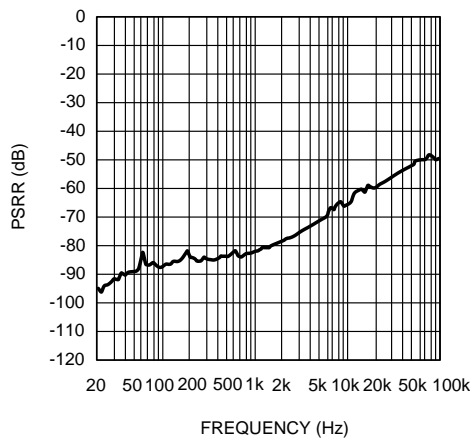


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PSRR vs Frequency
 $V_{DD} = 5V$, $R_L = 32\Omega$, $V_{RIPPLE} = 100mV_{pp}$
Inputs Terminated

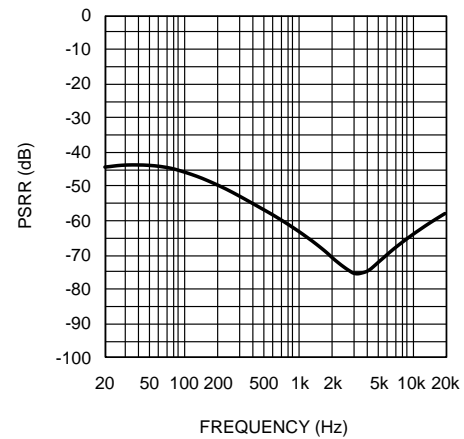


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 $V_{DD} = 5V$, $R_L = 8\Omega$

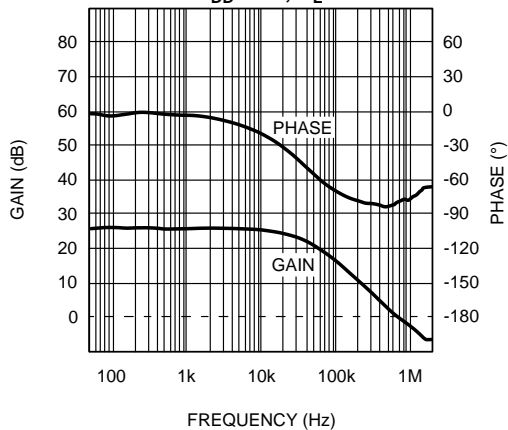


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Open Loop Frequency Response
 $V_{DD} = 5V$, $R_L = 32\Omega$

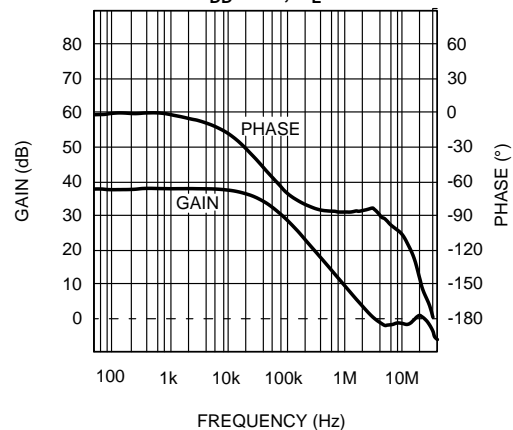
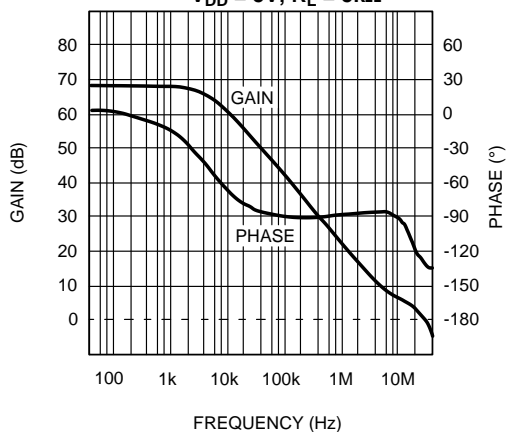
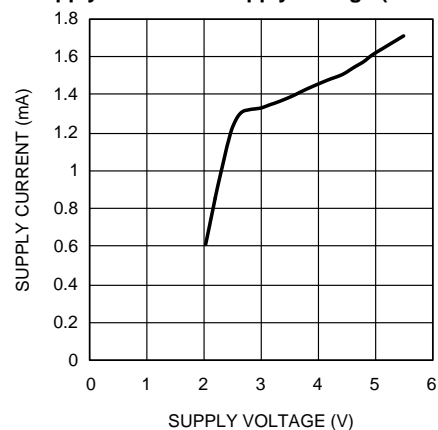
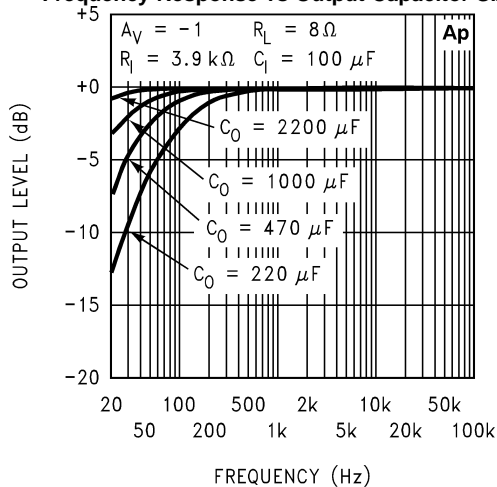
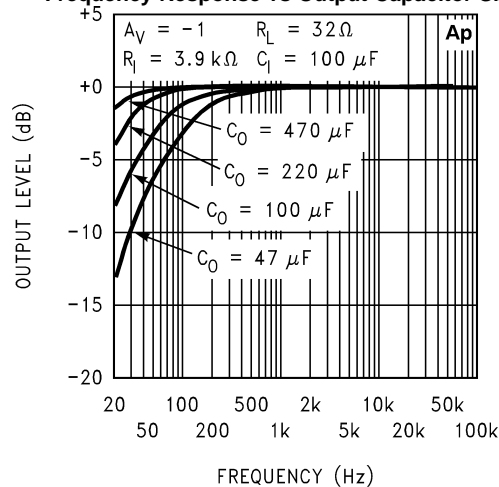
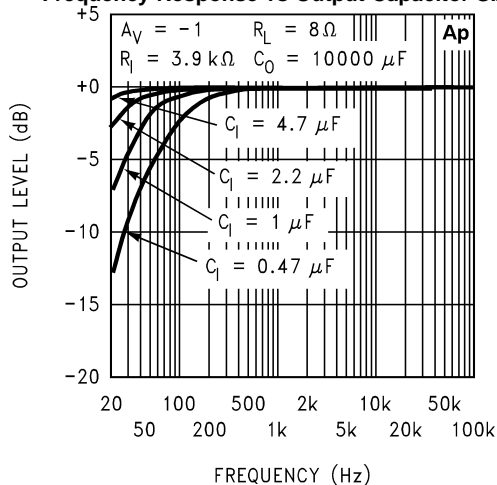
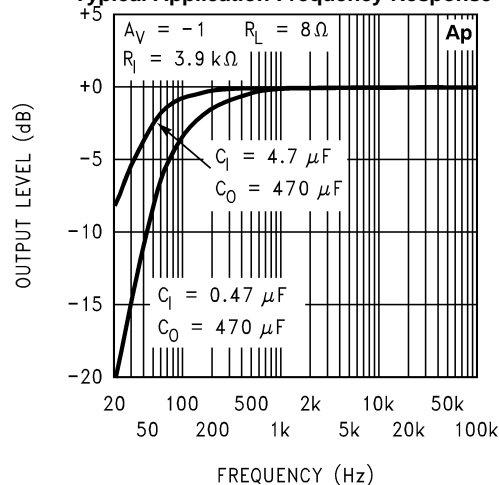


Figure 39.

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS (continued)**Open Loop Frequency Response**
 $V_{DD} = 5V$, $R_L = 5k\Omega$ **Figure 40.****Supply Current vs Supply Voltage (no Load)****Figure 41.****Frequency Response vs Output Capacitor Size****Figure 42.****Frequency Response vs Output Capacitor Size****Figure 43.****Frequency Response vs Output Capacitor Size****Figure 44.****Typical Application Frequency Response****Figure 45.**

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

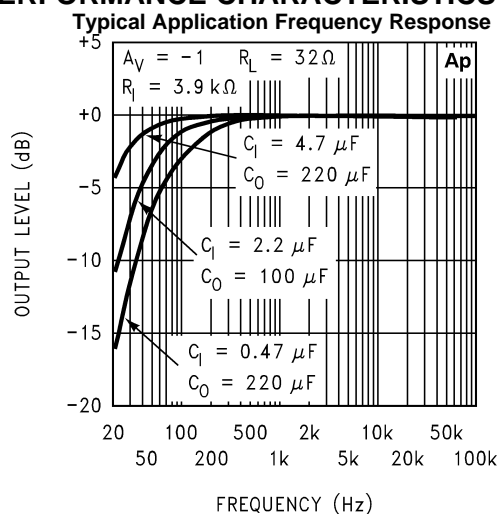


Figure 46.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

EXPOSED-DAP PACKAGE PCB MOUNTING CONSIDERATION

The LM4908's exposed-dap (die attach paddle) package (LQ) provides a low thermal resistance between the die and the PCB to which the part is mounted and soldered. This allows rapid heat transfer from the die to the surrounding PCB copper traces, ground plane, and surrounding air.

The LQ package should have its DAP soldered to a copper pad on the PCB. The DAP's PCB copper pad may be connected to a large plane of continuous unbroken copper. This plane forms a thermal mass, heat sink, and radiation area.

However, since the LM4908 is designed for headphone applications, connecting a copper plane to the DAP's PCB copper pad is not required. The LM4908's Power Dissipation vs Output Power Curve in the [TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS](#) shows that the maximum power dissipated is just 45mW per amplifier with a 5V power supply and a 32Ω load.

Further detailed and specific information concerning PCB layout, fabrication, and mounting an LQ (WSO) package is available from Texas Instruments' Package Engineering Group under application note AN-1187 (literature number [SNOA401](#)).

POWER DISSIPATION

Power dissipation is a major concern when using any power amplifier and must be thoroughly understood to ensure a successful design. [Equation 1](#) states the maximum power dissipation point for a single-ended amplifier operating at a given supply voltage and driving a specified output load.

$$P_{\text{DMAX}} = (V_{\text{DD}})^2 / (2\pi^2 R_L) \quad (1)$$

Since the LM4908 has two operational amplifiers in one package, the maximum internal power dissipation point is twice that of the number which results from [Equation 1](#). Even with the large internal power dissipation, the LM4908 does not require heat sinking over a large range of ambient temperature. From [Equation 1](#), assuming a 5V power supply and a 32Ω load, the maximum power dissipation point is 40mW per amplifier. Thus the maximum package dissipation point is 80mW. The maximum power dissipation point obtained must not be greater than the power dissipation that results from [Equation 2](#):

$$P_{\text{DMAX}} = (T_{\text{JMAX}} - T_A) / \theta_{\text{JA}} \quad (2)$$

For package MUA08A, $\theta_{\text{JA}} = 210^\circ\text{C/W}$. $T_{\text{JMAX}} = 150^\circ\text{C}$ for the LM4908. Depending on the ambient temperature, T_A , of the system surroundings, [Equation 2](#) can be used to find the maximum internal power dissipation supported by the IC packaging. If the result of [Equation 1](#) is greater than that of [Equation 2](#), then either the supply voltage must be decreased, the load impedance increased or T_A reduced. For the typical application of a 5V power supply, with a 32Ω load, the maximum ambient temperature possible without violating the maximum junction temperature is approximately 133.2°C provided that device operation is around the maximum power dissipation point. Power dissipation is a function of output power and thus, if typical operation is not around the maximum power dissipation point, the ambient temperature may be increased accordingly. Refer to the [TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS](#) curves for power dissipation information for lower output powers.

POWER SUPPLY BYPASSING

As with any power amplifier, proper supply bypassing is critical for low noise performance and high power supply rejection. Applications that employ a 5V regulator typically use a 10μF in parallel with a 0.1μF filter capacitors to stabilize the regulator's output, reduce noise on the supply line, and improve the supply's transient response. However, their presence does not eliminate the need for a local 0.1μF supply bypass capacitor, C_S , connected between the LM4908's supply pins and ground. Keep the length of leads and traces that connect capacitors between the LM4908's power supply pin and ground as short as possible. Connecting a 1.0μF capacitor, C_B , between the IN A(+) / IN B(+) node and ground improves the internal bias voltage's stability and improves the amplifier's PSRR. The PSRR improvements increase as the bypass pin capacitor value increases. Too large, however, increases the amplifier's turn-on time. The selection of bypass capacitor values, especially C_B , depends on desired PSRR requirements, click and pop performance (as explained in [SELECTING PROPER EXTERNAL COMPONENTS](#)), system cost, and size constraints.

SELECTING PROPER EXTERNAL COMPONENTS

Optimizing the LM4908's performance requires properly selecting external components. Though the LM4908 operates well when using external components with wide tolerances, best performance is achieved by optimizing component values.

The LM4908 is unity-gain stable, giving a designer maximum design flexibility. The gain should be set to no more than a given application requires. This allows the amplifier to achieve minimum THD+N and maximum signal-to-noise ratio. These parameters are compromised as the closed-loop gain increases. However, low gain demands input signals with greater voltage swings to achieve maximum output power. Fortunately, many signal sources such as audio CODECs have outputs of $1V_{RMS}$ ($2.83V_{P-P}$). Please refer to [AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER DESIGN](#) for more information on selecting the proper gain.

Input and Output Capacitor Value Selection

Amplifying the lowest audio frequencies requires high value input and output coupling capacitors (C_I and C_O in [Figure 1](#)). A high value capacitor can be expensive and may compromise space efficiency in portable designs. In many cases, however, the speakers used in portable systems, whether internal or external, have little ability to reproduce signals below 150Hz. Applications using speakers with this limited frequency response reap little improvement by using high value input and output capacitors.

Besides affecting system cost and size, C_I has an effect on the LM4908's click and pop performance. The magnitude of the pop is directly proportional to the input capacitor's size. Thus, pops can be minimized by selecting an input capacitor value that is no higher than necessary to meet the desired -3dB frequency.

As shown in [Figure 1](#), the input resistor, R_I and the input capacitor, C_I , produce a -3dB high pass filter cutoff frequency that is found using [Equation 3](#). In addition, the output load R_L , and the output capacitor C_O , produce a -3db high pass filter cutoff frequency defined by [Equation 4](#).

$$f_{I-3db} = 1/2\pi R_I C_I \quad (3)$$

$$f_{O-3db} = 1/2\pi R_L C_O \quad (4)$$

Also, careful consideration must be taken in selecting a certain type of capacitor to be used in the system. Different types of capacitors (tantalum, electrolytic, ceramic) have unique performance characteristics and may affect overall system performance.

Bypass Capacitor Value

Besides minimizing the input capacitor size, careful consideration should be paid to the value of the bypass capacitor, C_B . Since C_B determines how fast the LM4908 settles to quiescent operation, its value is critical when minimizing turn-on pops. The slower the LM4908's outputs ramp to their quiescent DC voltage (nominally $1/2 V_{DD}$), the smaller the turn-on pop. Choosing C_B equal to 1.0μF or larger, will minimize turn-on pops. As discussed above, choosing C_I no larger than necessary for the desired bandwidth helps minimize clicks and pops.

AUDIO POWER AMPLIFIER DESIGN

Design a Dual 70mW/32Ω Audio Amplifier

Given:

| | |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Power Output | 70mW |
| Load Impedance | 32Ω |
| Input Level | 1Vrms (max) |
| Input Impedance | 20kΩ |
| Bandwidth | 100Hz–20kHz ± 0.50dB |

The design begins by specifying the minimum supply voltage necessary to obtain the specified output power. One way to find the minimum supply voltage is to use the Output Power vs Supply Voltage curve in [TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS](#). Another way, using [Equation 5](#), is to calculate the peak output voltage necessary to achieve the desired output power for a given load impedance. To account for the amplifier's dropout voltage, two additional voltages, based on the Dropout Voltage vs Supply Voltage in the [TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS](#) curves, must be added to the result obtained by [Equation 5](#). For a single-ended application, the result is [Equation 6](#).

$$V_{\text{opeak}} = \sqrt{(2R_L P_O)} \quad (5)$$

$$V_{DD} \geq (2V_{\text{OPEAK}} + (V_{\text{ODTOP}} + V_{\text{ODBOT}})) \quad (6)$$

The [Output Power vs Supply Voltage](#) graph for a 32Ω load indicates a minimum supply voltage of 4.8V. This is easily met by the commonly used 5V supply voltage. The additional voltage creates the benefit of headroom, allowing the LM4908 to produce peak output power in excess of 70mW without clipping or other audible distortion. The choice of supply voltage must also not create a situation that violates maximum power dissipation as explained above in [POWER DISSIPATION](#). Remember that the maximum power dissipation point from [Equation 1](#) must be multiplied by two since there are two independent amplifiers inside the package. Once the power dissipation equations have been addressed, the required gain can be determined from [Equation 7](#).

$$A_V \geq \sqrt{(P_O R_L)} / (V_{IN}) = V_{\text{orms}} / V_{\text{inrms}} \quad (7)$$

Thus, a minimum gain of 1.497 allows the LM4908 to reach full output swing and maintain low noise and THD+N performance. For this example, let $A_V = 1.5$.

The amplifiers overall gain is set using the input (R_i) and feedback (R_f) resistors. With the desired input impedance set at 20kΩ, the feedback resistor is found using [Equation 8](#).

$$A_V = R_f / R_i \quad (8)$$

The value of R_f is 30kΩ.

The last step in this design is setting the amplifier's -3db frequency bandwidth. To achieve the desired ±0.25dB pass band magnitude variation limit, the low frequency response must extend to at least one-fifth the lower bandwidth limit and the high frequency response must extend to at least five times the upper bandwidth limit. The gain variation for both response limits is 0.17dB, well within the ±0.25dB desired limit. The results are an

$$f_L = 100\text{Hz} / 5 = 20\text{Hz} \quad (9)$$

and a

$$f_H = 20\text{kHz} * 5 = 100\text{kHz} \quad (10)$$

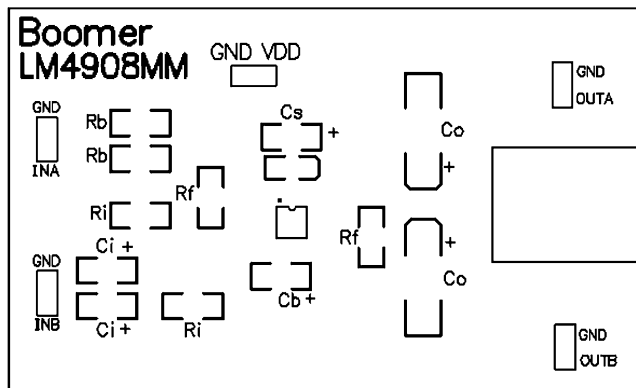
As stated in [EXTERNAL COMPONENTS DESCRIPTION](#), both R_i in conjunction with C_i , and C_o with R_L , create first order highpass filters. Thus to obtain the desired low frequency response of 100Hz within ±0.5dB, both poles must be taken into consideration. The combination of two single order filters at the same frequency forms a second order response. This results in a signal which is down 0.34dB at five times away from the single order filter -3dB point. Thus, a frequency of 20Hz is used in the following equations to ensure that the response is better than 0.5dB down at 100Hz.

$$C_i \geq 1 / (2\pi * 20 \text{ k}\Omega * 20 \text{ Hz}) = 0.397\mu\text{F}; \text{ use } 0.39\mu\text{F}. \quad (11)$$

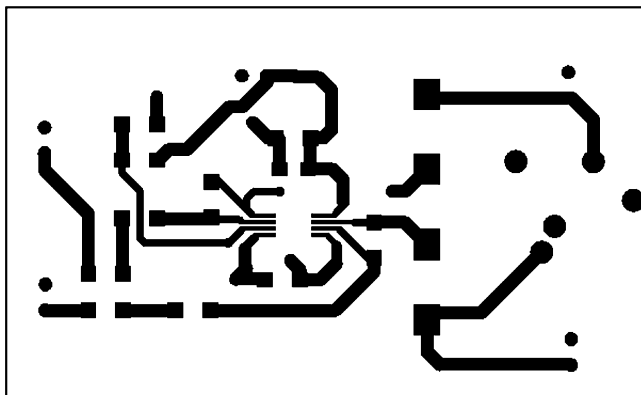
$$C_o \geq 1 / (2\pi * 32\Omega * 20 \text{ Hz}) = 249\mu\text{F}; \text{ use } 330\mu\text{F}. \quad (12)$$

The high frequency pole is determined by the product of the desired high frequency pole, f_H , and the closed-loop gain, A_V . With a closed-loop gain of 1.5 and $f_H = 100\text{kHz}$, the resulting $\text{GBWP} = 150\text{kHz}$ which is much smaller than the LM4908's GBWP of 3MHz . This figure displays that if a designer has a need to design an amplifier with a higher gain, the LM4908 can still be used without running into bandwidth limitations.

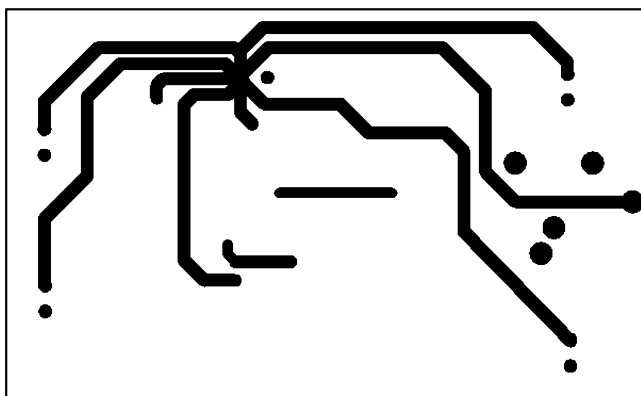
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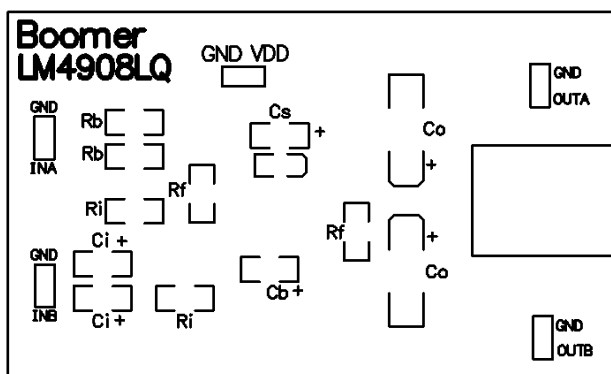
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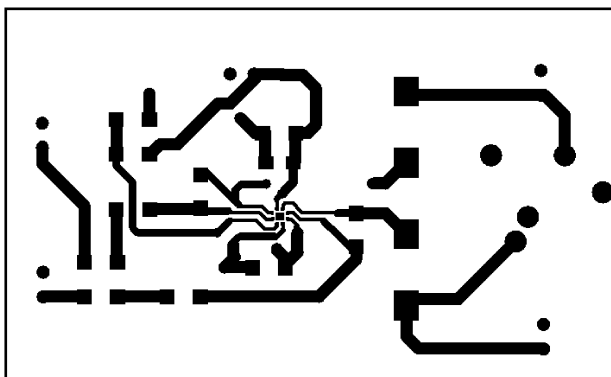
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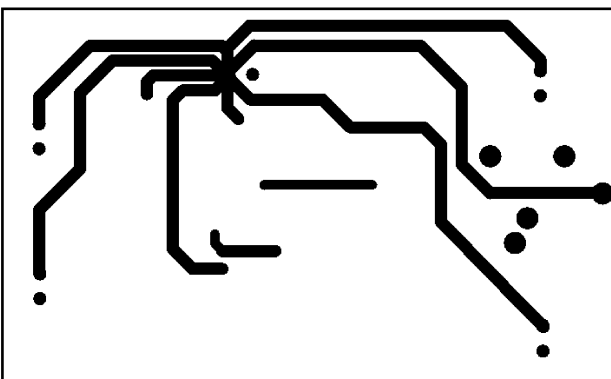
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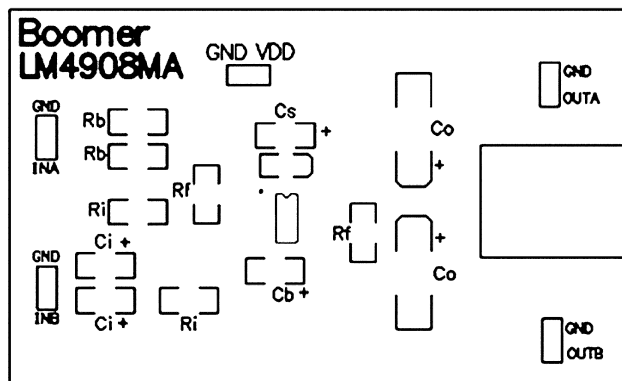
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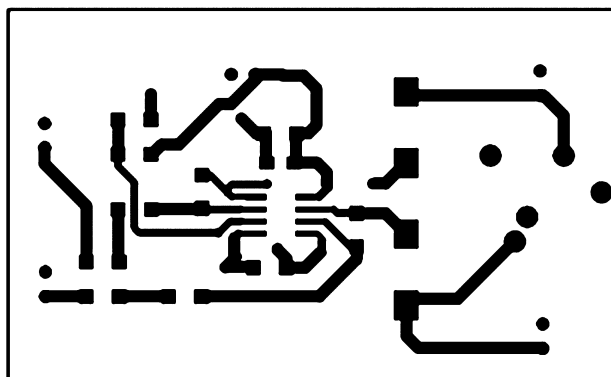
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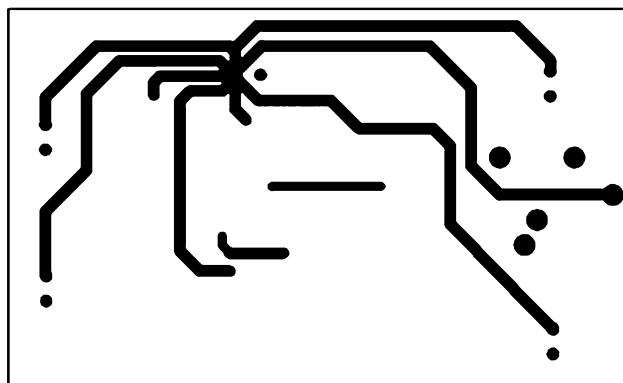
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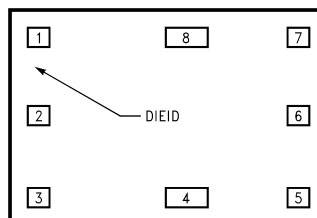
**Figure 53. Recommended MA Board Layout:
Top Overlay**



**Figure 54. Recommended MA Board Layout:
Top Layer**



**Figure 55. Recommended MA Board Layout:
Bottom Layer**

LM4908 MDC MWC Dual 120MW Headphone Amplifier**Figure 56. Die Layout (A - Step)****Table 1. DIE/WAFER CHARACTERISTICS**

| Fabrication Attributes | | General Die Information | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Physical Die Identification | LM4908A | Bond Pad Opening Size (min) | 70µm x 70µm |
| Die Step | A | Bond Pad Metalization | ALUMINUM |
| Physical Attributes | | Passivation | NITRIDE |
| Wafer Diameter | 150mm | Back Side Metal | BARE BACK |
| Dise Size (Drawn) | 889µm x 622µm 35.0mils x 24.5mils | Back Side Connection | Floating |
| Thickness | 216µm Nominal | | |
| Min Pitch | 216µm Nominal | | |

Special Assembly Requirements:**Note: Actual die size is rounded to the nearest micron.**

| Die Bond Pad Coordinate Locations (A - Step) | | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-----------------|------|----------|---|----|
| (Referenced to die center, coordinates in µm) NC = No Connection, N.U. = Not Used | | | | | | |
| SIGNAL NAME | PAD# NUMBER | X/Y COORDINATES | | PAD SIZE | | |
| | | X | Y | X | | Y |
| INPUT B+ | 1 | -367 | 232 | 70 | x | 70 |
| INPUT B- | 2 | -367 | 15 | 70 | x | 70 |
| OUTPUT B | 3 | -367 | -232 | 70 | x | 70 |
| VDD | 4 | 35 | -232 | 155 | x | 70 |
| OUTPUT A | 5 | 367 | -232 | 70 | x | 70 |
| INPUT A- | 6 | 367 | 15 | 70 | x | 70 |
| INPUT A+ | 7 | 367 | 232 | 70 | x | 70 |
| GND | 8 | 68 | 232 | 155 | x | 70 |

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