

Audio Amplifiers

SSM2275/SSM2475

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The SSM 2275 and SSM 2475 use the Butler Amplifier front end, which combines both bipolar and FET transistors to offer the accuracy and low noise performance of bipolar transistors and the slew rates and sound quality of FET s. T his product family includes dual and quad rail-to-rail output audio amplifiers that achieve lower production costs than the industry standard OP275 (the first Butler Amplifier offered by Analog Devices). This lower cost amplifier also offers operation from a single 5 V supply, in addition to conventional \pm 15 V supplies. The ac performance meets the needs of the most demanding audio applications, with 8 MHz bandwidth, 12 V/µs slew rate and extremely low distortion.

The SSM 2275 and SSM 2475 are ideal for application in high performance audio amplifiers, recording equipment, synthesizers, MIDI instruments and computer sound cards. Where cascaded stages demand low noise and predictable performance, SSM 2275 and SSM 2475 are a cost effective solution. Both are stable even when driving capacitive loads.

The ability to swing rail-to-rail at the outputs (see Applications section) and operate from low supply voltages enables designers to attain high quality audio performance, even in single supply systems. The SSM2275 and SSM2475 are specified over the extended industrial $(-40^{\circ}C \text{ to } +85^{\circ}C)$ temperature range and are available in 8-lead plastic DIPs, SOICs, and microSOIC surface mount packages. T he SSM2475 is available in 14-lead plastic DIPs, narrow body SOICs, and thin shrink small outline (T SSOP) surface mount packages.

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SSM2275/SSM2475–SPECIFICATIONS

ELECTRI CAL CHARACTERI STICS (V_s = \pm 15 V, T_A= \pm 25°C, V_{CM}= 0 V unless otherwise noted)

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ELECTRI CAL CHARACTERISTICS (V_S = +5 V, T_A = +25[°]C, V_{CM} = 2.5 V unless otherwise noted)

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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS ¹

NOTES

¹Stresses above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. T his is a stress rating only; the functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the opera tional sections of this specification is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

²For supplies less than \pm 15 V, the input voltage and differential input voltage

 $*\theta_{JA}$ is specified for the worst case conditions, i.e., for device in socket for DIP packages and soldered onto a circuit board for surface mount packages.

ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Electrostatic charges as high as 4000 V readily accumulate on the human body and test equipment and can discharge without detection. Although the SSM 2275/SSM 2475 features proprietary ESD protection circuitry, permanent damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy electrostatic discharges. T herefore, proper ESD precautions are recommended to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

Figure 1. Phase/Gain vs. Frequency

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ESD SENSITIVE DEVICE

Figure 2. Phase/Gain vs. Frequency

Typical Characteristics–SSM2275/SSM2475

Figure 4. Phase/Gain vs. Frequency

Figure 5. SSM2275 Current Noise Density vs. Frequency

Figure 6. SSM2275 Voltage Noise Density (Typical)

Figure 7. Common-Mode Rejection vs. Frequency

Figure 8. Power Supply Rejection vs. Frequency

SSM2275/SSM2475–Typical Characteristics

Figure 10. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 600 \Omega$, $C_L = 0 pF$, $V_S = \pm 2.5$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

Figure 11. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 600 \Omega$, $C_L = 100 pF$, $V_S = \pm 2.5$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

Figure 13. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 600 \Omega$, $C_L = 200 pF$, $V_S = \pm 2.5$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

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Figure 14. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 600 \Omega$, $C_L = 300 pF$, $V_S = \pm 2.5$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

Figure 16. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 2 k\Omega$, $C_L = 100 pF$, $V_S = \pm 2.5$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

Figure 17. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 2 k\Omega$, $C_L = 200 pF$, $V_S = \pm 2.5$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V $p-p$

Figure 19. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 600 \Omega$, $C_L = 0 pF$, $V_S = \pm 15$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

Figure 20. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 600 \Omega$, $C_L = 100 pF$, $V_S = \pm 15$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

SSM2275/SSM2475–Typical Characteristics

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_{s =}4±15 V, A_N = +1, N_{IN P}-100 m\(p-p

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 $V_S = \pm 15$ V, $A_V = \pm 1$, $N_{IV} = 100$ mV p-p

Figure 24. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 2k\Omega$, $C_L = 100 pF$, $V_S = \pm 15$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

Figure 22. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 600 \Omega$, $C_L = 300 pF$, $V_S = \pm 15$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

0 0 20mV 200ns

Figure 23. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 2 k\Omega$, $C_L = 0 pF$, $V_S = \pm 15$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

Figure 26. Small Signal Response; $R_L = 2 k\Omega$, $C_L = 300 pF$, $V_S = \pm 15$ V, $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 100$ m V p-p

THEORY OF OPERATION

The SSM 2275 and SSM 2475 are low noise and low distortion rail-to-rail output amplifiers that are excellent for audio applications. Based on the OP275 audiophile amplifier, the SSM 2275/ SSM 2475 offers many similar performance characteristics with the advantage of a rail-to-rail output from a single supply source. Its low input voltage noise figure of 7 nV/ \overline{Hz} allows the device to be used in applications requiring high gain, such as microphone preamplifiers. Its 11 V/ μ s slew rate also allows the SSM 2275/SSM 2475 to produce wide output voltage swings while maintaining low distortion. In addition, its low harmonic distortion figure of 0.0006% makes the SSM 2275 and SSM 2475 ideal for high quality audio applications.

Figure 27 shows the simplified schematic for a single amplifier. The amplifier contains a Butler Amplifier at the input. This front-end design uses both bipolar and MOSFET transistors in the differential input stage. The bipolar devices, Q1 and Q2, improve the dffset voltage and achieve the low noise performance, while the MOS devices, M1 and M2, are used to obtain higher slew rates. T he bipolar differential pair is biased with a proportional-to-absolute-temperature (PTAT) bias source, IB1 while the MOS differential pair κ biased with a non-PT AT source, IB2. This results in the amplifier having a constant gain bandwidth product and a constant slew rate over temperature. Figure 2's have simple measured between the input of a single appearance of 50 km and consequently the output applies to the applies that a constant and the set of the energy of the set of the set of the energy of the set

The amplifier also contains a rail-to-rail output stage that can sink or source up to 50 mA of current. As with any rail-to-rail output amplifier the gain of the output stage, and consequently the open loop gain of the amplifier, is proportional to the load resistance. With a load resistance of 50 kΩ, the dc gain of the amplifier is over 110 dB. At load currents less than 1 mA, the output of the amplifier can swing to within 30 mV of either supply rail. As load current increases, the maximum voltage swing of the output will decrease. T his is due to the collector to emitter saturation voltage of the output transistors increasing with an increasing collector current.

Input Overvoltage Protection

The maximum input differential voltage that can be applied to the SSM 2275/SSM 2475 is \pm 7 V. A pair of internal back-to-back Zener diodes are connected across the input terminals. T his prevents emitter-base junction breakdown from occurring to the

input transistors, Q1 and Q2, when very large differential voltages are applied. If the device's differential voltage could exceed \pm 7 V, then the input current should be limited to less than $±5$ mA. This can be easily done by placing a resistor in series with both inputs. T he minimum value of the resistor can be determined by:

$$
R_{IN} = \frac{V_{DIFF, \, MAX} - 7}{0.01} \tag{1}
$$

There are also ESD protection diodes that are connected from each input to each power supply rail. T hese diodes are normally reversed biased, but will turn on if either input voltage exceeds either supply rail by more than 0.6 V. Again, should this condition occur the input current should be limited to less than $±5$ mA. The minimum resistor value should then be:

$$
R_{IN} = \frac{V_{IN, MAX}}{5 mA}
$$
 (2)

In practice, R_{IN} should be placed in series with both inputs to reduce offset voltages caused by input bias current. This is shown in Figure x

Figure 28. Using Resistors for Input Overcurrent Protection

Output Voltage Phase Reversal

The SSM2275/SSM2475 was designed to have a wide commonmode range and is immune to output voltage phase reversal with an input voltage within the supply voltages of the device. However, if either of the device's inputs exceeds 0.6 V above the posi-

tive voltage supply, the output could exhibit phase reversal. T his is due to the input transistor's B–C junction becoming forward biased, causing the polarity of the input terminals of the device to switch.

This phase reversal can be prevented by limiting the input current to $+1$ mA. This can be done by placing a resistor in series with the input terminal that is expected to be overdriven. T he series resistance should be at least:

$$
R_{IN} = \frac{V_{IN, MAX} - 0.6}{1 \, mA} \tag{3}
$$

An equivalent resistor should be placed in series with both inputs to prevent offset voltages due to input bias currents, as shown in Figure 28.

Output Short Circuit Protection

 ϕ *f* o *d*chieve high quality rail-to-rail performance, the output of the SSM 2275/SSM 2475 is not short-circuit protected. Shorting the output may damage or destroy the device when discessive voltages or currents are applied. To protect the output stage, the maximum output durrent should be limited to ±40 mA/Placing a resistor in series with the output of the amplifier as shown in Figure 29, the output current can be limited. The minimum value for R_X can be found from Equation 4.

$$
R_X = \frac{V_{SY}}{40 \, mA} \tag{4}
$$

For a +5 V single supply application, R_X should be at least 125 Ω . Because R_X is inside the feedback loop, V_{OUT} is not affected. The trade off in using R_X is a slight reduction in output voltage swing under heavy output current loads. R_X will also increase the effective output impedance of the amplifier to $R_0 + R_X$, where R_0 is the output impedance of the device.

P ower D issipation Considerations

While many designers are constrained to use very small and low profile packages, reliable operation demands that the maximum junction temperatures not be exceeded. A simple calculation will ensure that your equipment will enjoy reliable operation over a long lifetime. M odern IC design allows dual and quad amplifiers to be packaged in SOIC and microSOIC packages, but it is the responsibility of the designer to determine what the actual junction temperature will be, and prevent it from exceeding the 150 \degree C. Note that while the θ_{JC} is similar between package options, the θ_{IA} for the SOIC and TSSOP are nearly double the P-D IP. T he calculation of maximum ambient temperature is relatively simple to make.

$$
P_{MAX} = \frac{T_{I, MAX} - T_A}{\theta_M} \tag{5}
$$

For example, with the 8-lead SOIC, the calculation gives a maximum internal power dissipation (for all amplifiers, worst case) of $P_{MAX} = (150^{\circ}C - 85^{\circ}C)/158^{\circ}C/W = 0.41$ W. For the DIP package, a similar calculation indicates that 0.63 W (approximately 50% more) can be safely dissipated. N ote that ambient temperature is defined as the temperature of the PC board to which the device is connected (in the absence of radiated or convected heat loss). It is good practice to place higher power devices away from the more sensitive circuits. When in doubt, measure the temperature in the vicinity of the SSM 2275 with a thermocouple thermometer.

Maximizing Low Distortion Performance

Because the SSM2275/SSM2475 is a very low distortion amplifier, careful attention should be given to the use of the device to prevent inadvertently introducing distortion. Source impedances seen by both inputs should be made equal, as shown in Figure 28, with $R_B = R1 || R_F$ for minimum distortion. This eliminates any offset voltages due to varying bias currents. Proper power supply decoupling reduces distortion due to power supply variations.

Because the open loop gain of the amplifier is directly dependent ∂ the load resistance, loads of less than 10 kΩ will increase the distortion of the amplifier. This is a trait of any rail-to-rail op amp. Increasing load capacitance will also increase distortion. If is fecommended that any unused amplifiers be configured as a unity gain follower with the noninverting input tied ψ ground. This minimizes the power dissipation and any potential crosstalk from the unused amplifier. Solution that the state of the state of

As with many FET-type amplifiers, the/PMOS devices in the input stage exhibit a gate-to-source capacitance that varies with the common mode voltage. In an inverting configuration, the inverting input is held at a virtual ground and the common-mode voltage does not vary. T his eliminates distortion due to input capacitance modulation. In noninverting applications, the gateto-source voltage is not constant, and the resulting capacitance modulation can cause a slight increase in distortion.

Figure 30 shows a unity gain inverter and a unity gain follower configuration. Figure 31 shows an FFT of the outputs of these amplifiers with a 1 kHz sine wave. Notice how the largest harmonic amplitude (2nd harmonic) is –120 dB below the fundamental (0.0001%) in the inverting configuration.

Figure 30. Basic Inverting and Noninverting Amplifiers

test circuit used to measure the settling time of the SSM 2275/ SSM 2475 is shown in Figure 32. This test method has advantages over false-sum node techniques of measuring settling times in that the actual output of the amplifier is measured, instead of an error voltage at the sum node. Common-mode settling effects are also taken into account in this circuit in addition to slew rate and bandwidth factors.

The output waveform of the device under test is clamped by Schottky diodes and buffered by the JFET source follower. T he signal is amplified by a factor of ten by the OP260 current feedback amplifier and then Schottky-clamped at the output to the oscilloscope. T he 2N 2222 transistor sets up the bias current for the JFET and the OP41 is configured as a fast integrator, providing overall dc offset nulling at the output.

Overdrive Recovery

The overdrive, or overload, recovery time of an amplifier is the time required for the output voltage to return to a rated output voltage from a saturated condition. T his recovery time can be important in applications where the amplifier must recover quickly after a large transient event, or overload. The circuit in Figure 34 was used to evaluate the recovery time for the SSM2275/SSM2475. Also shown are the input and output voltages. It takes approximately 0.5 μ s for the device to recover from output overload

Figure 34. Overload Recovery Time Test Circuit

Figure 32. Settling Time Test Fixture

Capacitive Loading

The output of the SSM2275/SSM2475 can tolerate a degree of capacitive loading. However, under certain conditions, a heavy capacitive load could create excess phase shift at the output and put the device into oscillation. T he degree of capacitive loading is dependent on the gain of the amplifier. At unity gain, the amplifier could become unstable at loads greater than 600 pF. At gain greater than unity, the amplifier can handle a higher degree of capacitive load without oscillating. Figure 35 shows how to configure the device to prevent oscillations from occurring.

 R_B should be at least 50 kΩ. To minimize offset voltage, the parallel combination of R_{FB} and R_I should be equal to R_B . Set= ting a minimum C_F of 15 pF bandlimits the amplifier enough to eliminate any oscillation problems from any sized capacitive load. The low-pass frequency is determined by:

$$
f_{-3dB} = \frac{1}{2 \pi R_{FB} C_F} \tag{6}
$$

With $R_{FB} = 50 \text{ k}\Omega$ and $C_F = 15 \text{ pF}$, this results in an amplifier with a 210 kHz bandwidth that can be used with any capacitive load. If the amplifier is being used in a non-inverting unity gain configuration and R_I is omitted, C_{FB} should be at least 100 pF. If the offset voltage can be tolerated at the output, R_{FB} can be replaced by a short and C_{FB} can be removed entirely. With the typical input bias current of 200 nA and $R_B = 50$ kΩ, the increase in offset voltage would be 10 mV. T his configuration will stabilize the amplifier under all capacitive loads.

Single Supply D ifferential Line D river

Figure 36 shows a single supply differential line driver circuit that can drive a 600 Ω load with less than 0.001% distortion. The design mimics the performance of a fully balanced transformer based solution. However, this design occupies much less board space while maintaining low distortion and can operate down to dc. Like the transformer based design, either output can be shorted to ground for unbalanced line driver applications without changing the circuit gain of 1.

R13 and R14 set up the common-mode output voltage equal to half of the supply voltage. C1 is used to couple the input signal and can be omitted if the input's dc voltage is equal to half of the supply voltage. T he minimum input impedance of the circuit as seen from V_{IN} is:

$$
R_{IN} = (R1 + R5) || (R3 + R7) || R11 \tag{7}
$$

For the values given in Figure 36, $R_{IN} = 5$ k Ω . With C1 omitted the circuit will provide a balanced output down to dc, otherwise the –3 dB corner for the input frequency is set by:

$$
f_{-3dB} = \frac{1}{2 \pi R_{IN} C_L}
$$
 (8)

The circuit can also be configured to provide additional gain if desired. The gain of the circuit is:

$$
A_V = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} = \frac{2(R2)}{R1}
$$
 (9)

where $V_{OUT} = V_{O1} - V_{O2}$, $R1 = R3 = R5 = R7$ and, $R2 = R4 = R6 = R8$

Figure 37 shows the $THD+N$ versus frequency response of the circuit while driving a 600 Ω load at 1 V rms.

Figure 36. A Low Noise, Single Supply Differential Line Driver

Figure 37. THD+N vs. Frequency of Differential Line Driver

Multim edia Soundcard Microphone P ream plifier

The low distortion and low noise figures of the SSM2275 make it an excellent device for amplifying low level audio signals. Figure 38 shows how the SSM 2275 can be configured as a stereo microphone preamplifier driving the input to a multimedia sound codec, the AD 1848. T he SSM 2275 can be powered from the same $+5$ V single supply as the AD 1848. The V_{REF} pin on the AD 1848 provides a bias voltage of 2.25 V for the SSM 2275. T his voltage can also be used to provide phantom power to a condenser microphone through a 2N 4124 transistor buffer and 2 k Ω resistors. The phantom power circuitry can be omitted for dynamic microphones. T he gain of SSM 2275 amplifiers is set by R2/R1 which is 100 (40 dB) as shown. Figure 39 shows the device's THD+N performance with a 1 V_{RMS} output.

Figure 38. Low Noise Microphone Preamplifier for Multimedia Soundcard Codec

Figure 39. THD+N vs. Frequency (V_{SY} = +5 V, A_V = 40 dB, V_{OUT} = 1 V rms)

High Perform ance I-V Converters and Filters for 20-Bit D ACs Because of the increasing resolution and lower harmonic distortions required by more audio applications, the need for high quality amplifiers at the output of D/A converters becomes critical. T he SSM 2275 and SSM 2475 can be used as current-tovoltage converters and smoothing filters for 18- and 20-bit DACs, achieving 0.0006% THD+N figures while running from the same $+5$ V or $+12$ V source used to power the D/A converter. Figure 40 shows how the SSM 2275 can be used with the AD 1862, a current output 20-bit D AC.

The AD1862 has a built in 3 kΩ resistor that is connected from the inverting input to the output of the amplifier. T he full-scale output current of the AD1862 is ± 1 mA, resulting in a maximum output voltage of ±3 V. Additional feedback resistance can be added in the feedback loop to increase the output voltage. With R_{FB} connected the maximum output voltage will be:

$$
V_{OUT,MAX} = 1 mA \times \left(3 k\Omega + R_{FB}\right)
$$
 (10)

NOTE: ADDITIONAL PIN CONNECTIONS OMITTED FOR CLARITY Figure 40. A High Performance I-V Converter for a 20-Bit DAC If Figure 41, the SSM 2275 is used as a low-pass filter for one ϕ hannel of the AD 1855, a 24-bit 196 kHz stereo sigma-delta DAC, which uses a complementary voltage output. The filter is configured as a/second order low-pass Besset-filter with a sure off frequency of 50 kHz. This provides β phase linear response from dc to 24 kH z, which is ideal for high quality audio applications. The SSM 2275 can be connected to the same $\frac{1}{5}$ V power supply source, that the AD 1855 is connected to, ℓ liminating the need for extra power circuitry. The FILT output $\{Pin 14\}$ from the AD 1855 provides a common reference voltage equal to half of the supply voltage for the SSM 2275.

Amplifier A1 is used as a unity-gain inverter for the positive output of the AD 1855. T he output of A1 is combined with a negative output of the AD 1855 into the active low pass filter around A2. T he output impedance of each output of the AD 1855 is 100 Ω which must be taken into account to achieve proper dc gain, which in Figure 41 is unity gain. In this configuration the SSM 2275 can drive reasonable capacitive loads, making the device suitable for the RCA jack line outputs found in most consumer audio equipment.

NOTE: ADDITIONAL PIN CONNECTIONS OMITTED FOR CLARITY +5V Figure 41. Low-Pass Filter for a 24-Bit Stereo Sigma-Delta DAC

Figure 42. A Smoothing Filter for an 18-Bit Stereo DAC

SP ICE Macro- m odel

The SPICE macro-model for the SSM 2275 is shown in Listing on/the following page. This model is based on typical values for the device and can be downloaded from Analog Devices' Internet site at **www.analog.com**. T he model uses a common emitter output stage to provide rail-to-rail performance. A resistor and dc voltage fource, in series with the collector, accurately portray output dropout voltage versus output current. The VCMH and VCML sources set the upper and lower limits of

the input common mode voltage range. Both are set up as a function of the supply voltage to mimic the varying common mode range with supply voltage. T he EOS voltage source establishes the offset voltage and is also used to create the commonmode rejection and power supply rejection characteristics for the model.

A secondary pole section is also set up to vary the gain bandwidth product and phase margin of the model based on the supply voltage. The H1 and VR1 sources set up an equivalent resistor that is linearly varied with supply voltage. T his equivalent resistance, in parallel with C2, creates the secondary pole. G2 is also linearly varied to increase the GBW at higher supply voltages. With a supply voltage of 5 V, the gain bandwidth product is 6.3 MHz with a 47 degree phase margin. At a 30 V supply voltage, the GBW product moves out to 7.5 MHz with 48° phase margin.

The broadband input referred voltage noise for the model is 6.8 nV/ \sqrt{Hz} . Flicker noise characteristics are also accurately modeled with the 1/f corner frequency set through the KF and AF terms in the input stage transistors. Finally, a voltage-con- \sup ply current versus supply voltage characteristics.

OUTLINE D IMENSIONS

D imensions shown in inches and (mm).

