User's Guide
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DEM-OPA-SOT-2A Demonstration Fixture

1 Description

The DEM-OPA-SOT-2A demonstration fixture is a generic, unpopulated printed circuit board (PCB) for dual high-speed operational amplifiers in SOT23-8 packages. Figure 1 shows the package pinout for this PCB. For more information on these op amps, as well as good PCB layout techniques, see the individual amplifier data sheets.

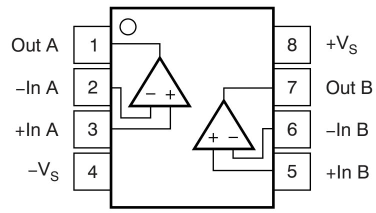


Figure 1. SOT-23-8 Package Pinout, Top View

2 Circuit

The circuit schematic in Figure 2 shows the connections for all possible components. Each configuration uses only some of the components.

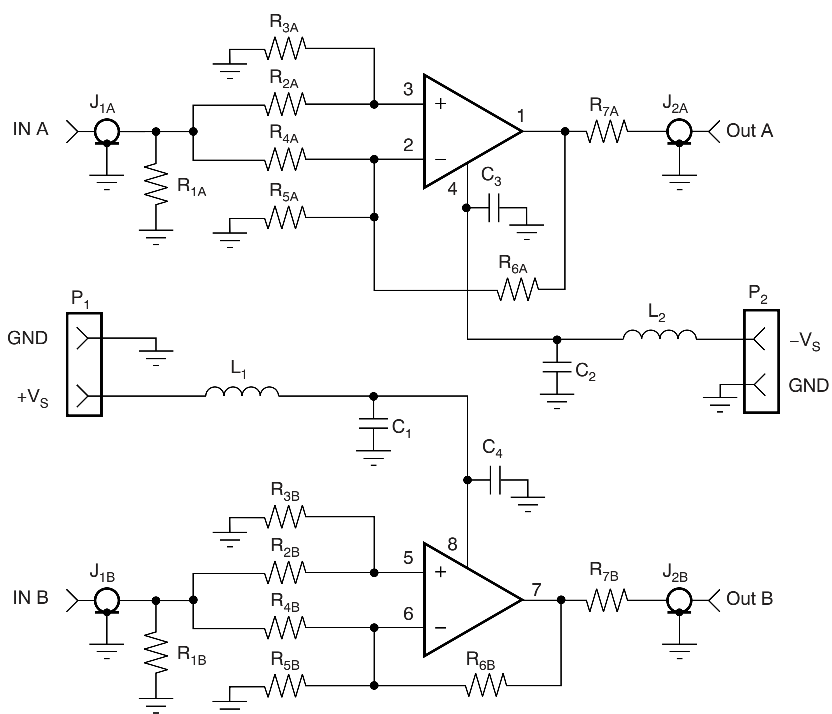


Figure 2. Schematic for DEM-OPA-SOT-2A

3 Components

Components that have RF performance similar to the ones listed in Table 1 may be substituted.

Table 1. Component Descriptions

PART	DESCRIPTION
C_1, C_2	Tantalum Chip Capacitor, SMD EIA Size 3528, 20V
C_3, C_4	Multilayer Ceramic Chip Capacitor, SMD 1206, 50V
J_{1A} – J_{2B}	SMA or SMB Board Jack (Amphenol 901-144-8)
L_1, L_2	EMI-Suppression Ferrite Chip, SMD 1206 (Steward LI 1206 B 900 R)
P_1, P_2	Terminal Block, 3.5mm Centers (On-Shore Technology ED555/3DS)
R_{1A} – R_{7B}	Metal Film Chip Resistor, SMD 1206, 1/8W

R_1 and R_7 set the I/O impedance; R_2 through R_6 set the gain; and C_1 through C_4 are supply bypass capacitors. L_1 and L_2 are ferrite chips that can reduce interactions with the power supply at high frequencies. If not desired, they can be replaced with 0Ω resistors.

For single-supply operation, do not connect P_2, L_2 and C_2. Use a 0Ω resistor in place of C_3.

Voltage Feedback Amplifier Circuit Configuration—These op amps have the pinout illustrated in Figure 1. Table 2 lists typical values used. To select component values for a specific op amp , consult the respective data sheet.

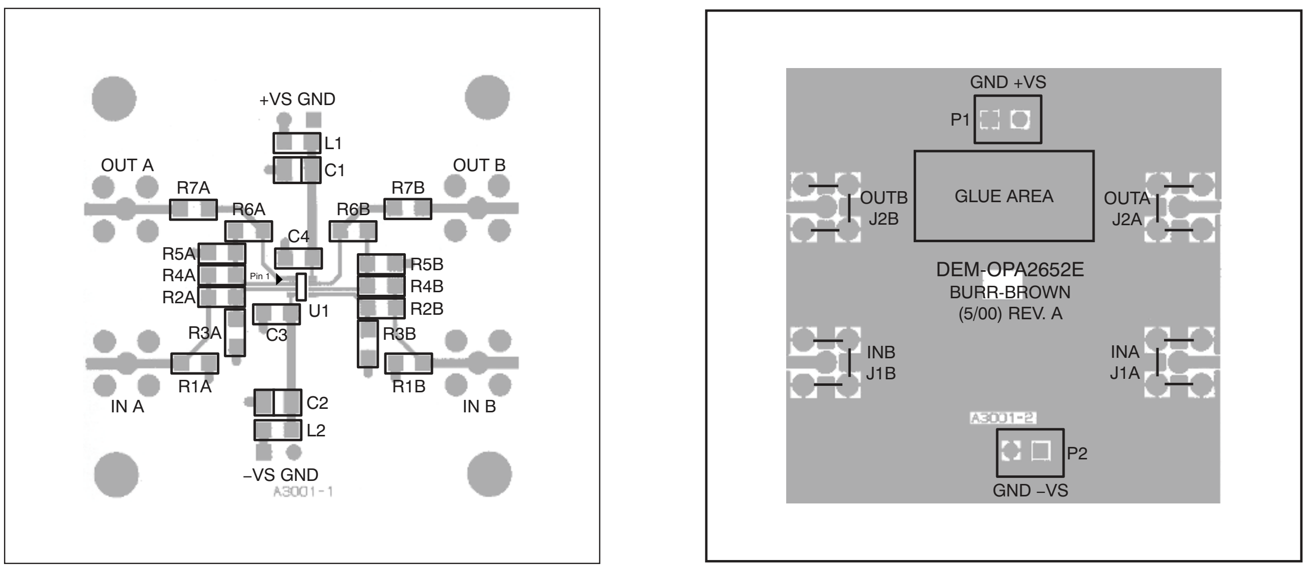
Table 2. Circuit Configuration[(1)]

COMPONENT	DUAL-SUPPLY (G = +2)	DUAL-SUPPLY (G = –1)	SINGLE-SUPPLY (G = +1)
R_1	49.9Ω	57.6Ω	49.9Ω
R_2	174Ω	Open	0Ω
R_3	Open	205Ω	Open
R_4	Open	402Ω	Open
R_5	402Ω	Open	Open
R_6	402Ω	402Ω	24.9Ω
R_7	49.9Ω	49.9Ω	49.9Ω
C_1	2.2μF	2.2μF	2.2μF
C_2	2.2μF	2.2μF	Open
C_3	0.1μF	0.1μF	0Ω
C_4	0.1μF	0.1μF	0.1μF

(1) The values and gains listed here will not work for all op amps. See the specific data sheet to select proper values. The I/O impedances are 50Ω.

4 Board Layout

This demonstration fixture is a two-layer PCB. (See Figure 3.) It uses both a ground plane and power traces on the inner layers. The ground plane has been opened up around op amp pins that are sensitive to capacitive loading. Power-supply traces are laid out to keep current loop areas to a minimum. The SMA (or SMB) connectors may be mounted either vertically or horizontally onto the board edge. The location and type of capacitors used for power-supply bypassing are crucial for high-frequency amplifiers. The tantalum capacitors, C_1 and C_2, do not need to be close to pins 8 and 4 on the PCB and may be shared with other amplifiers. See the individual op amp data sheet for more information on proper board layout techniques and component selection.



(a) Component Side Silkscreen and Metal (top view)

(b) Ground Plane Side Silkscreen and Metal (bottom view)

(1) The board name shown in the silkscreen is DEM-OPA2652E with the Burr-Brown Revision A design finalized in May 2000.

Figure 3. DEM-OPA-SOT-2A Demonstration Board Layout

5 Measurement Tips

This demonstration fixture, with the component values shown, is designed to operate in a 50Ω environment; most data sheet plots are obtained under these conditions. It is easy to change the component values for different input and output impedance levels. However, do not use high-impedance probes; they represent a heavy capacitive load to the op amp, and will alter the amplifier response. Instead, use low-impedance (≤ 500Ω) probes with adequate bandwidth. The probe input capacitance and resistance set an upper limit on the measurement bandwidth. If a high-impedance probe must be used, place a 100Ω resistor on the probe tip to isolate its capacitance from the circuit.

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