

DEM-OPA-SO-2A Demonstration Fixture

1 Description

The DEM-OPA-SO-2A demonstration fixture is a generic, unpopulated printed circuit board (PCB) for dual high-speed operational amplifiers in SO-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.

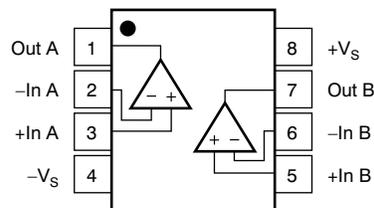


Figure 1. SO Package Pinout, Top View

2 Circuit

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

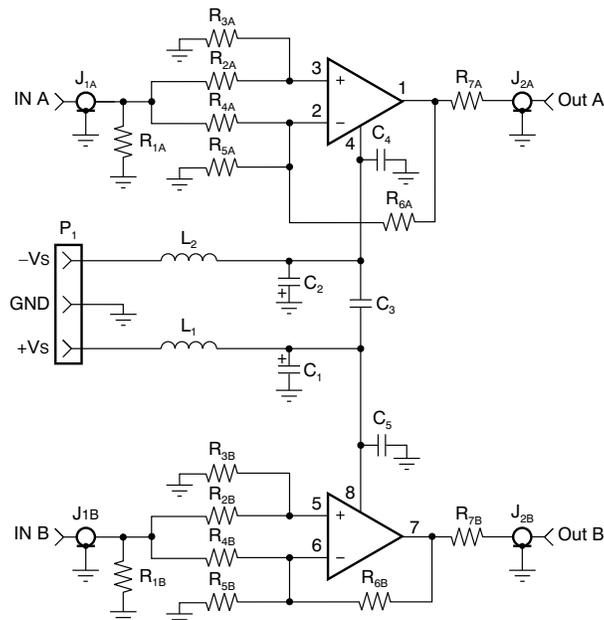


Figure 2. Schematic for DEM-OPA-SO-2A

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 ₅	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	Terminal Block, 3.5mm Centers (On-Shore Technology ED555/3DS)
R _{1A} – R _{7B}	Metal Film Chip Resistor, SMD 1206, 1/8W

R₁ and R₇ set the I/O impedance; R₂ through R₆ set the gain; and C₁ through C₅ are supply bypass capacitors. C₃ is optional; it adds a bypass between the supplies that improves distortion performance for some models. L₁ and L₂ 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 L₂; otherwise, the –V_S input to P₁ would be at ground potential.

Standard Current-Feedback Op Amps—These op amps have the pinout illustrated in [Figure 1](#). [Table 2](#) lists typical values used for these parts. To select component values (especially R₆) for a specific op amp, consult the respective data sheet.

Table 2. Standard Current-Feedback Op Amps⁽¹⁾

COMPONENT	DUAL-SUPPLY (G = +2)	DUAL-SUPPLY (G = –1)	SINGLE-SUPPLY (G = +1)
R ₁	49.9Ω	57.6Ω	49.9Ω
R ₂	10.0Ω	Open	10.0Ω
R ₃	Open	10.0Ω	Open
R ₄	Open	402Ω	Open
R ₅	402Ω	Open	Open
R ₆	402Ω	402Ω	402Ω
R ₇	49.9Ω	49.9Ω	49.9Ω
C ₁ , C ₂	2.2μF	2.2μF	2.2μF
C ₃	0.01μF	0.01μF	Open
C ₄ , C ₅	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.

Standard Voltage-Feedback Op Amps—These op amps have the pinout shown in [Figure 1](#). [Table 3](#) lists typical values used for these parts. To select component values for a specific op amp (especially R_6), consult the respective data sheet.

Table 3. Standard Voltage-Feedback Op Amps⁽¹⁾

COMPONENT	DUAL-SUPPLY (G = +2)	DUAL-SUPPLY (G = -1)	SINGLE-SUPPLY (G = +1)
R_1	49.9 Ω	57.6 Ω	49.9 Ω
R_2	178 Ω	Open	0 Ω
R_3	Open	210 Ω	Open
R_4	Open	402 Ω	Open
R_5	402 Ω	Open	Open
R_6	402 Ω	402 Ω	24.9 Ω
R_7	49.9 Ω	49.9 Ω	49.9 Ω
C_1, C_2	2.2 μ F	2.2 μ F	2.2 μ F
C_3	0.01 μ F	0.01 μ F	Open
C_4, C_5	0.1 μ F	0.1 μ F	0.1 μ F

⁽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 50 Ω .

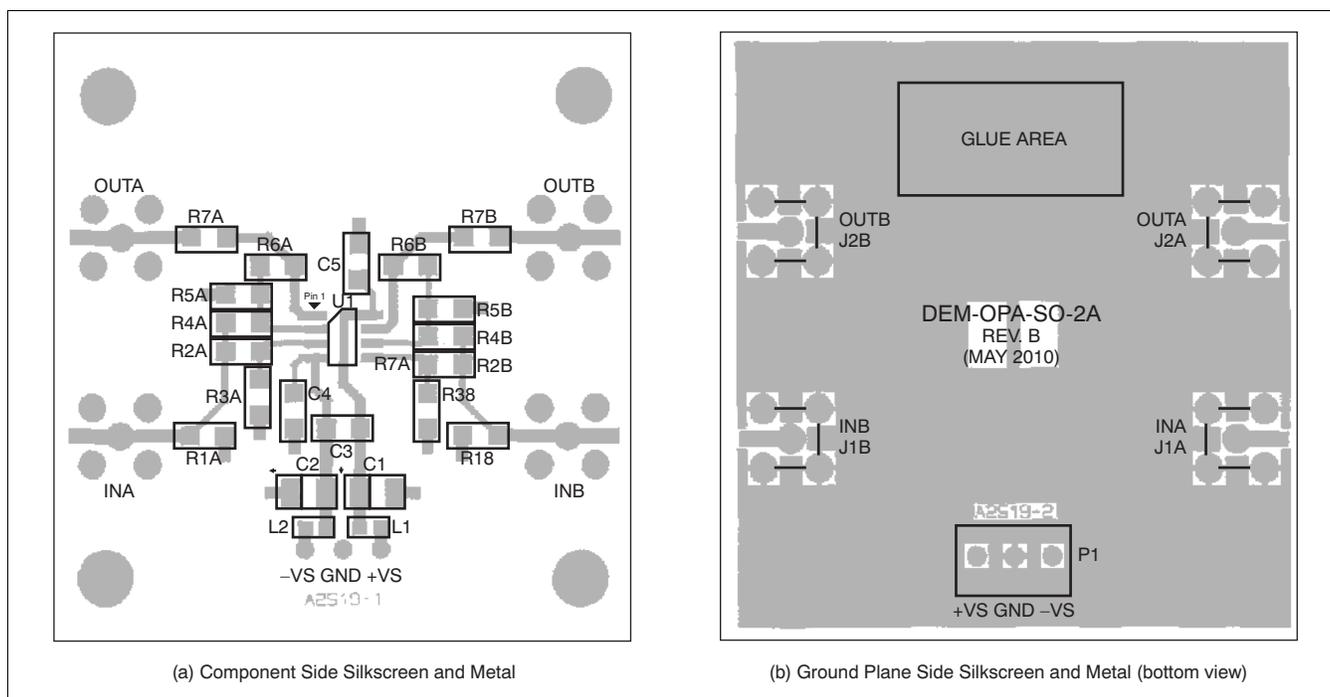
Fixed Gain Amplifiers—For fixed gain amplifiers use internal resistors to set the gain at +1, +2 or -1. Use the recommended values given in [Table 2](#), except for the changes listed in [Table 4](#).

Table 4. Fixed Gain Amplifiers Changes

COMPONENT	DUAL-SUPPLY (G = +2)	DUAL-SUPPLY (G = -1)	SINGLE-SUPPLY (G = +1)
R_4	Open	0 Ω	Open
R_5	0 Ω	Open	Open
R_6	Open	Open	Open

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.



- (1) The board name shown in the silkscreen for an earlier version of the fixture is DEM-OPA268xU with the Burr-Brown Revision A design finalized in May 1998.

Figure 3. DEM-OPA-SO-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 ($\leq 500\Omega$) 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.

REVISION HISTORY**Changes from A Revision (April, 2006) to B Revision** **Page**

- Changed silkscreen image in [Figure 3](#) **4**
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