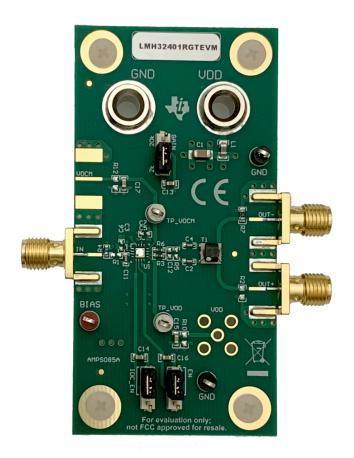


LMH32401RGTEVM Evaluation Module



This user's guide describes the characteristics, operation, and use of the LMH32401RGTEVM. This evaluation module (EVM) is an evaluation and development kit for evaluating the LMH32401IRGT device, a programmable-gain, single-ended input to differential output transimpedance amplifier for light detection and ranging (LIDAR) applications and laser distance measurement systems. A complete circuit description as well as schematic diagram and bill of materials are included in this document.

Throughout this document, the abbreviation *EVM* and the term *evaluation module* are synonymous with the LMH32401RGTEVM.

The following related documentation is available through the Texas Instruments web site at www.ti.com.

Related Documentation

Device	Literature Number
LMH32401 data sheet	SBOS965

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1 Introduction

The LMH32401RGTEVM is an evaluation module (EVM) for the LMH32401RGT differential output transimpedance amplifier. The EVM features a transformer to convert the output to a $50-\Omega$ single-ended connection for easy measurement with standard test equipment, and the option to convert to fully-differential DC-coupled signals. The input is $50-\Omega$ matched and configured by default to receive a voltage input that is converted to a current through a $2-k\Omega$ resistor, but can be reconfigured to receive a true current input with optional photodiode bias connections on the back of the board. The EVM also includes easy-to-use jumpers to control the device gain, input bias current cancellation, and shutdown functions.

1.1 Features

- Configured for single-ended voltage input and output with 50-Ω matched SMA connections
- Includes options to connect a current input source with bias connections for edge mounting photodiodes
- Optional DC-coupled differential output configuration
- Jumpers included for easy control of gain, bias current cancellation, and power-down
- Designed for single 3.3-V supply operation

1.2 EVM Specifications

Table 1 lists the typical performance specifications for the LMH32401RGTEVM.

Table 1. LMH32401RGTEVM Specifications

Specification	Typical Value Range
Single-supply voltage range (VEE = ground)	3 V to 3.45 V
Quiescent current	29 mA
Output voltage swing (VCC = 3.3 V, 100-Ω load)	5 V _{PP}
Linear output current (VCC = 3.3 V, 25-Ω load)	26.6 mA



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2 Power Connections

The LMH32401RGTEVM is equipped with a wire socket to easily connect power. The positive supply input is labeled VDD and ground is labeled GND.

3 Input and Output Connections

The LMH32401RGTEVM is equipped with SMA connectors for easy connection of signal generators and analysis equipment. As shipped, the EVM is configured for a single-ended input and output, both with 50- Ω termination. The differential output of the amplifier is converted to a single-ended output through transformer T1 on the board. OUT+ is the output connector for single-ended output signals, and is terminated to $50-\Omega$ single-ended. To use the EVM with a DC-coupled differential output, remove resistor R7 and transformer T1, and short the connections across the removed transformer input and outputs. When converting to differential, the output resistors may need to be modified to achieve a desired impedance match. For more details and instructions on how to reconfigure the EVM, see the applications section, schematics, and layouts in the LMH32401 500-MHz, Programmable Gain, Differential Output Transimpedance Amplifier data sheet.

3.1 Gain Control

The amplifier gain can be adjusted using the GAIN jumper on the board to switch between the 2-k Ω and 20-k Ω gain settings. By default, the EVM has R1 populated with a 2-k Ω resistor, which creates an effective voltage gain of 1 V/V and 10 V/V, respectively, for the two different gain settings.

3.2 Input DC Current Cancellation

The LMH32401 device features an input DC current cancellation circuit that is designed to remove any DC current that is present from a typical current input device such as a photodiode. This feature can be enabled or disabled using the IDC_EN jumper on the board. By default, the DC current cancellation circuit is enabled.

3.3 Enable Function

The LMH32401 device includes an optional disable function to put the device in a low-power mode when it is not being used. The EVM ships with jumper EN that can be used to easily enable and disable the device. By default, the board ships with the device enabled.

3.4 Optional VOCM Pin Connection

The common-mode voltage of the differential outputs of the amplifier can be controlled using the VOCM test point or optional SMA connector. If left unconnected, the amplifier output common mode will default to 1.1 V. By default, the transformer on the EVM will AC couple the output of the device and remove the effect of the output common-mode voltage. To match the board to a device that requires DC outputs with a specified common mode (such as an analog to digital converter) the transformer must be removed.

3.5 Option VOD Connection

The LMH32401 device also features a differential output offset pin that controls the DC differential offset of the two outputs. The EVM features a test point VOD as well as an optional through-hole SMA connector footprint to drive this pin. If left floating, the DC output differential voltage defaults to 510 mV. This feature is designed to compensate for unipolar input signals to achieve the maximum dynamic range of the differential outputs. For more information see the LMH32401 500-MHz, Programmable Gain, Differential Output Transimpedance Amplifier data sheet.



4 Optional EVM Configuration for Photodiode Input

The LMH32401RGTEVM features an optional configuration to accept a photodiode input in a typical TO style package. By removing the IN SMA connector, R4, and C11, and shorting C10 and R1, the trace from IN is shorted to the input of the device. Along with traces A, B, and C on the bottom of the board, the input trace can be used to connect a common three-terminal photodiode in a TO package. The photodiode can be mounted over the edge of the board where the cathode can be connected to the input of the amplifier and the case and anode connections can be soldered to any of the three traces on the bottom of the board. The A, B, and C traces can then be configured to connect to either ground or the BIAS test point where an external bias voltage can be applied. Table 2 shows a list of the resistor connections that can be shorted to connect the traces to bias or ground. By default, the EVM has trace A connected to the bias test point and trace B connected to ground.

Table 2. EVM Bottom-Side Diode Trace Connections (1)

Trace	Short to Connect to Bias	Short to Connect to Ground	
A	R9	R8	
В	R13	R11	
С	R15	R14	

⁽¹⁾ Each trace should only be shorted to either bias or ground. Do not short the traces to both bias and ground simultaneously or a power-supply short could occur.



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5 **Board Layout**

Figure 1 to Figure 4 illustrate the board layers in top-to-bottom order.

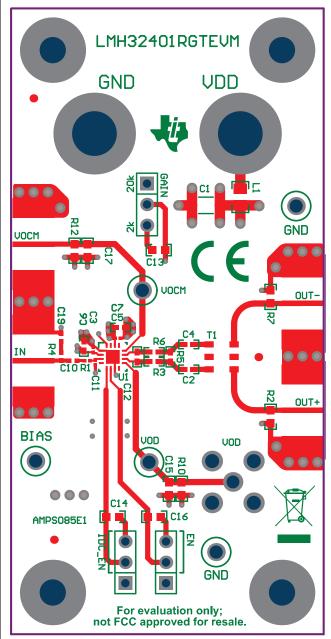


Figure 1. Top Layer

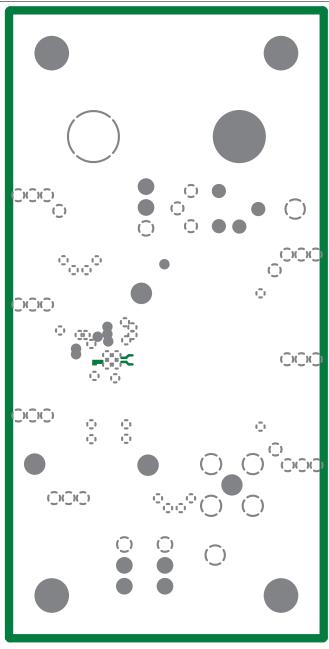
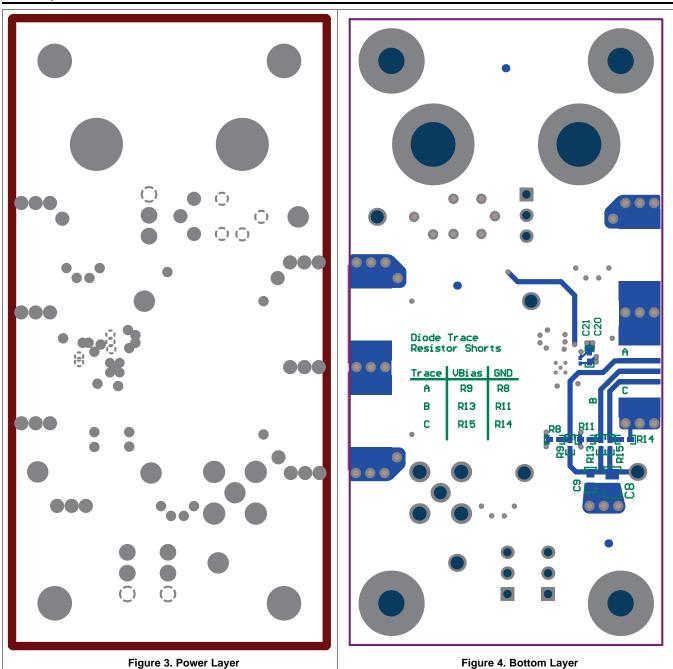


Figure 2. Ground Layer



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6 Schematic and Bill of Materials

This section provides the schematic and bill of materials (BOM) for the LMH32401RGTEVM.

6.1 Schematic

Figure 5 shows the EVM schematic.

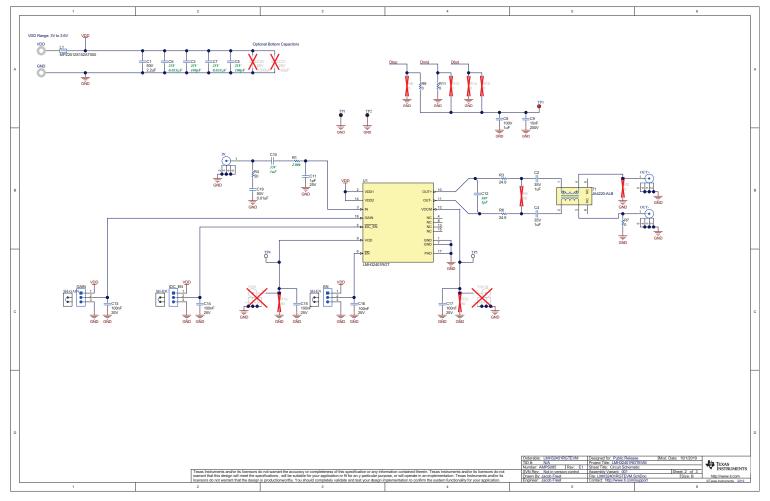


Figure 5. LMH32401RGTEVM Schematic



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6.2 Bill of Materials

Table 3 lists the EVM BOM.

Table 3. Bill of Materials

Item #	Designator	Qty	Value	Part Number	Manufacturer	Description	Package Reference
2	C1	1	2.2 μF	GCM31CR71H225KA55L	MuRata	CAP, CERM, 2.2 μF, 50 V, ±10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 1206	1206
3	C2, C4, C10	3	1 μF	GRM155R6YA105KE11D	MuRata	CAP, CERM, 1 μF, 35 V, ±10%, X5R, 0402	402
4	C3, C5	2	100 pF	CC0201JRNPO8BN101	Yageo	CAP, CERM, 100 pF, 25 V, ±5%, C0G/NP0, 0201	201
5	C6, C7	2	0.033 μF	CC0402KRX7R8BB333	Yageo	CAP, CERM, 0.033 µF, 25 V, ±10%, X7R, 0402	402
6	C8	1	1 μF	C2012X7S2A105K125AB	TDK	CAP, CERM, 1 μF, 100 V, ±10%, X7S, 0805	805
7	C9	1	0.01 µF	C0603C103K2RACTU	Kemet	CAP, CERM, 0.01 μF, 200 V, ±10%, X7R, 0603	603
8	C11	1	1 pF	GJM0335C1E1R0WB01D	MuRata	CAP, CERM, 1 pF, 25 V, ±5%, C0G/NP0, 0201	201
9	C12	1	1 pF	GJM1555C1H1R0BB01D	MuRata	CAP, CERM, 1 pF, 50 V, ±10%, C0G/NP0, 0402	402
10	C13, C14, C15, C16, C17	5	0.1 μF	06033C104KAT2A	AVX	CAP, CERM, 0.1 μF, 25 V, ±10%, X7R, 0603	603
11	C19	1	0.01 µF	GCM155R71H103KA55D	MuRata	CAP, CERM, 0.01 μF, 50 V, ±10%, C0G/NP0, 0402	402
12	EN, GAIN, IDC_EN	3		PBC03SAAN	Sullins Connector Solutions	Header, 100 mil, 3 x 1, Gold, TH	PBC03SAAN
13	GND, VDD	2		575-4	Keystone	Standard Banana Jack, Uninsulated, 5.5 mm	Keystone_575-4
14	H1, H2, H3, H4	4		NY PMS 440 0025 PH	B&F Fastener Supply	Machine Screw, Round, #4-40 x 1/4, Nylon, Philips panhead	Screw
15	H5, H6, H7, H8	4		1902C	Keystone	Standoff, Hex, 0.5"L #4-40 Nylon	Standoff
16	IN, OUT-, OUT+	3		142-0701-851	Cinch Connectivity	Connector, End launch SMA, 50 Ω , SMT	SMA End Launch
17	L1	1	1000 Ω	MPZ2012S102AT000	TDK	Ferrite Bead, 1000 Ω @ 100 MHz, 1.5 A, 0805	805
18	R1	1	2.00 kΩ	CRCW02012K00FKED	Vishay-Dale	RES, 2.00 k, 1%, 0.05 W, 0201	201
19	R3, R6	2	24.9	CRCW040224R9FKED	Vishay-Dale	RES, 24.9, 1%, 0.063 W, 0402	402
20	R4	1	50	FC0402E50R0BTBST1	Vishay Thin Film	RES, 50, 0.1%, 0.5 W, 0402	402
21	R7	1	0	CRCW06030000Z0EA	Vishay-Dale	RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	603
22	R9, R11	2	0	CRCW04020000Z0ED	Vishay-Dale	RES, 0, 5%, 0.063 W, 0402	402
23	SH-EN, SH-GAIN, SH-IDC	3	1 × 2	SNT-100-BK-G	Samtec	Shunt, 100mil, Gold plated, Black	Shunt
24	T1	1	15 µH	JA4220-ALB	Coilcraft CPS	Transformer, 15 μH, SMT	3.81x3.81mm
25	TP1, TP2	2		5006	Keystone	Test Point, Compact, Black, TH	Black Compact Testpoint
26	TP3	1		5005	Keystone	Test Point, Compact, Red, TH	Red Compact Testpoint
27	TP4, TP5	2		5007	Keystone	Test Point, Compact, White, TH	White Compact Testpoint
28	U1	1		LMH32401RGT	Texas Instruments	Programmable Gain, Differential Output Transimpedance Amplifier, RGT0016C (VQFN-16)	RGT0016C

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