

## Micropower, Rail-to-Rail Input and Output **Operational Amplifiers**

### OP196/OP296/OP496

#### **FEATURES**

**Rail-to-Rail Input and Output Swing** Low Power: 60 µA/Amplifier Gain Bandwidth Product: 450 kHz Single-Supply Operation: 3 V to 12 V Low Offset Voltage: 300 µV max High Open-Loop Gain: 500 V/mV **Unity-Gain Stable No Phase Reversal** 

**APPLICATIONS Battery Monitoring Sensor Conditioners Portable Power Supply Control Portable Instrumentation** 

#### **GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The OP196 family of CBCMOS operational amplifiers features micropower operation and rail-to-rail input and output ranges.

The extremely low power requirements and guaranteed operation from 3 V to 12 V make these amplifiers perfectly suited to monitor battery usage and to control battery charging. Their dynamic performance, including 26 nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  voltage noise density, recommends them for battery-powered audio applications. Capacitive loads to 200 pF are handled without oscillation.

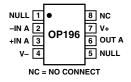
The OP196/OP296/OP496 are specified over the HOT extended industrial (-40°C to +125°C) temperature range. 3 V operation is specified over the 0°C to 125°C temperature range.

The single OP196 and the dual OP296 are available in 8-lead SO-8 surface mount packages. The dual OP296 is available in 8-lead PDIP. The quad OP496 is available in 14-lead plastic DIP and narrow SO-14 surface-mount packages.

### **PIN CONFIGURATIONS**

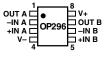
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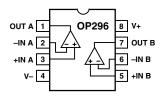




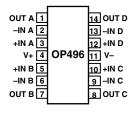
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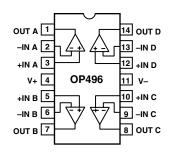




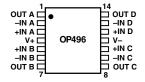
#### 14-Lead Narrow-Body SO



#### 14-Lead Plastic DIP



#### 14-Lead TSSOP (RU Suffix)



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# OP196/OP296/OP496-SPECIFICATIONS

### **ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS** (@ $V_s = 5.0 V$ , $V_{CM} = 2.5 V$ , $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C, unless otherwise noted.)

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
INPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Offset Voltage	Vos	OP196G, OP296G, OP496G		35	300	μV
e noet vertage	.03	$-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$			650	μV
		OP296H, OP496H			800	μν
		$-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$			1.2	mV
Input Bias Current	$I_B$	$-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$ $-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$		±10	$\pm 50$	nA
Input Offset Current		$-40 \text{ C} \le 1_{\text{A}} \le +125 \text{ C}$		$\pm 1.5$	$\pm 30$ $\pm 8$	nA
liiput Oliset Current	I <sub>OS</sub>	40°C < T < 1125°C		±1.5		
	<b>X</b> 7	$-40^{\circ}C \leq T_A \leq +125^{\circ}C$	0		$\pm 20$	nA
Input Voltage Range	V <sub>CM</sub>		0		5.0	V
Common-Mode Rejection Ratio	CMRR	$0 V \le V_{CM} \le 5.0 V,$				10
		$-40^{\circ}C \le T_{A} \le +125^{\circ}C$	65			dB
Large Signal Voltage Gain	$A_{VO}$	$R_{\rm L} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega,$				
		$0.30 \text{ V} \le \text{ V}_{\text{OUT}} \le 4.7 \text{ V},$				
		$-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$	150	200		V/mV
Long-Term Offset Voltage	Vos	G Grade, Note 1			550	μV
		H Grade, Note 1			1	mV
Offset Voltage Drift	$\Delta V_{OS} / \Delta T$	G Grade, Note 2		1.5		µV/°C
C	00	H Grade, Note 2		2		μV/°C
OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS		-				
	<b>X</b> 7	L = 100.04	1.05	4.00		V
Output Voltage Swing High	V <sub>OH</sub>	$I_L = -100 \ \mu A$	4.85	4.92		
		$I_L = 1 \text{ mA}$	4.30	4.56		V
		$I_L = 2 \text{ mA}$		4.1		V
Output Voltage Swing Low	V <sub>OL</sub>	$I_L = -1 mA$		36	70	mV
		$I_L = -1 mA$		350	550	mV
		$I_L = -2 mA$		750		mV
Output Current	I <sub>OUT</sub>			$\pm 4$		mA
POWER SUPPLY						
Power Supply Rejection Ratio	PSRR	$\pm 2.5 \text{ V} \le \text{V}_{\text{S}} \le \pm 6 \text{ V},$				
	1014	$-40^{\circ}C \le T_{A} \le +125^{\circ}C$	85			dB
Supply Current per Amplifier	I <sub>SY</sub>	$V_{OUT} = 2.5 \text{ V}, \text{ R}_{L} = \infty$	05		60	μA
Supply Current per Ampliner	ISY	$-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$		45	80	μΑ
		$-40 C \le T_A \le +125 C$		47	00	μα
DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE						
Slew Rate	SR	$R_L = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$		0.3		V/µs
Gain Bandwidth Product	GBP			350		kHz
Phase Margin	Ø <sub>m</sub>			47		Degrees
NOISE PERFORMANCE						
Voltage Noise	e <sub>n</sub> p-p	0.1 Hz to 10 Hz		0.8		μV p-p
Voltage Noise Density		f = 1  kHz		26		$nV/\sqrt{Hz}$
Current Noise Density	e <sub>n</sub>	f = 1  kHz		0.19		$pA/\sqrt{Hz}$
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<sup>1</sup>Long-term offset voltage is guaranteed by a 1,000 hour life test performed on three independent lots at 125°C, with an LTPD of 1.3. <sup>2</sup>Offset voltage drift is the average of the -40°C to +25°C delta and the +25°C to +125°C delta.

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### **ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
INPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Offset Voltage	Vos	OP196G, OP296G, OP496G		35	300	μV
		$0^{\circ}C \le T_A \le 125^{\circ}C$			650	μV
		OP296H, OP496H			800	μV
		$0^{\circ}C \le T_A \le 125^{\circ}C$			1.2	mV
Input Bias Current	I <sub>B</sub>			$\pm 10$	$\pm 50$	nA
Input Offset Current	I <sub>OS</sub>			$\pm 1$	$\pm 8$	nA
Input Voltage Range	V <sub>CM</sub>		0		3.0	V
Common-Mode Rejection Ratio	CMRR	$0 \text{ V} \le \text{V}_{\text{CM}} \le 3.0 \text{ V},$				
		$0^{\circ}C \leq T_{A} \leq 125^{\circ}C$	60			dB
Large Signal Voltage Gain	A <sub>VO</sub>	$R_L = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$	80	200		V/mV
Long-Term Offset Voltage	Vos	G Grade, Note 1			550	μV
		H Grade, Note 1			1	mV
Offset Voltage Drift	$\Delta V_{OS} / \Delta T$	G Grade, Note 2		1.5		μV/°C
2		H Grade, Note 2		2		μV/°C
OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Output Voltage Swing High	V <sub>OH</sub>	$I_{L} = 100 \ \mu A$	2.85			V
Output Voltage Swing Low	V <sub>OL</sub>	$I_{\rm L} = -100 \mu\text{A}$			70	mV
POWER SUPPLY						
Supply Current per Amplifier	I <sub>SY</sub>	$V_{OUT} = 1.5 \text{ V}, R_{L} = \infty$		40	60	μΑ
	01	$0^{\circ}C \le T_A \le 125^{\circ}C$			80	μA
DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE						
Slew Rate	SR	$R_L = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$		0.25		V/µs
Gain Bandwidth Product	GBP			350		kHz
Phase Margin	ø <sub>m</sub>			45		Degrees
NOISE PERFORMANCE						
Voltage Noise	e <sub>n</sub> p-p	0.1 Hz to 10 Hz		0.8		μV p-p
Voltage Noise Density	e <sub>n</sub> p p	f = 1  kHz		26		$nV/\sqrt{Hz}$
Current Noise Density	i0			20		

### OP196/OP296/OP496 **ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS** (@ $V_s = 12.0 V$ , $V_{CM} = 6 V$ , $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless otherwise noted.)

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
INPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Offset Voltage	V <sub>OS</sub>	OP196G, OP296G, OP496G		35	300	μV
		$0^{\circ}C \le T_A \le 125^{\circ}C$			650	μV
		OP296H, OP496H			800	μV
		$0^{\circ}C \le T_A \le 125^{\circ}C$			1.2	mV
Input Bias Current	IB	$-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$		$\pm 10$	$\pm 50$	nA
Input Offset Current	I <sub>OS</sub>			$\pm 1$	$\pm 8$	nA
	05	$-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$			±15	nA
Input Voltage Range	V <sub>CM</sub>		0		12	V
Common-Mode Rejection Ratio	CMRR	$0 \text{ V} \le \text{V}_{\text{CM}} \le 12 \text{ V},$				
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	$-40^{\circ}C \leq T_{A} \leq +125^{\circ}C$	65			dB
Large Signal Voltage Gain	A <sub>VO</sub>	$R_{\rm L} = 100 \ \rm k\Omega$	300	1000		V/mV
Long-Term Offset Voltage	Vos	G Grade, Note 1			550	μV
	. 03	H Grade, Note 1			1	mV
Offset Voltage Drift	$\Delta V_{OS} / \Delta T$	G Grade, Note 2		1.5	-	μV/°C
	03	H Grade, Note 2		2		µV/°C
OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Output Voltage Swing High	V <sub>OH</sub>	$I_{L} = 100 \ \mu A$	11.85			V
Output voltage Swing High	* OH	$I_L = 1 \text{ mA}$	11.30			V
Output Voltage Swing Low	V <sub>OL</sub>	$I_L = -1 \text{ mA}$	11.50		70	mV
Output Voltage Owing Low	* OL	$I_L = -1 \text{ mA}$ $I_L = -1 \text{ mA}$			550	mV
Output Current	I <sub>OUT</sub>	$I_{L} = -I \operatorname{max}$		$\pm 4$	550	mA
POWER SUPPLY	-001					
Supply Current per Amplifier	T	$V_{OUT} = 6 V, R_L = \infty$			60	
Supply Current per Ampliner	I <sub>SY</sub>	$V_{OUT} = 0$ V, $K_L = \infty$ $-40^{\circ}C \le T_A \le +125^{\circ}C$			80	μΑ
Supply Voltage Range	V	$-40 C \le I_A \le +125 C$	3		12	μA V
	Vs		5		12	v
DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE						
Slew Rate	SR	$R_L = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$		0.3		V/µs
Gain Bandwidth Product	GBP			450		kHz
Phase Margin	Ø <sub>m</sub>			50		Degrees
NOISE PERFORMANCE						
Voltage Noise	e <sub>n</sub> p-p	0.1 Hz to 10 Hz		0.8		μV p-p
Voltage Noise Density	e <sub>n</sub>	f = 1  kHz		26		nV/√Hz
Current Noise Density	in	f = 1  kHz		0.19		pA/√Hz

NOTES

<sup>1</sup>Long-term offset voltage is guaranteed by a 1,000 hour life test performed on three independent lots at 125°C, with an LTPD of 1.3. <sup>2</sup>Offset voltage drift is the average of the  $-40^{\circ}$ C to  $+25^{\circ}$ C delta and the  $+25^{\circ}$ C to  $+125^{\circ}$ C delta.

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#### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS<sup>1</sup>

Supply Voltage
Input Voltage <sup>2</sup> 15 V
Differential Input Voltage <sup>2</sup> 15 V
Output Short Circuit Duration Indefinite
Storage Temperature Range
P, S, RU Package $\dots -65^{\circ}$ C to $+150^{\circ}$ C
Operating Temperature Range
OP196G, OP296G, OP496G, H40°C to +125°C
Junction Temperature Range
P, S, RU Package $\dots -65^{\circ}$ C to $+150^{\circ}$ C
Lead Temperature Range (Soldering, 60 sec) 300°C

Package Type	$\theta_{JA}{}^3$	θ <sub>JC</sub>	Unit
8-Lead Plastic DIP	103	43	°C/W
8-Lead SOIC	158	43	°C/W
8-Lead TSSOP	240	43	°C/W
14-Lead Plastic DIP	83	39	°C/W
14-Lead SOIC	120	36	°C/W
14-Lead TSSOP	180	35	°C/W

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<sup>1</sup>Absolute maximum ratings apply to both DICE and packaged parts, unless otherwise noted.

 $^2\mbox{For supply voltages less than 15 V}, the absolute maximum input voltage is equal to the supply voltage.$ 

 ${}^{3}\theta_{J_{A}}$  is specified for the worst case conditions, i.e.,  $\theta_{JA}$  is specified for device in socket for P-DIP package;  $\theta_{JA}$  is specified for device soldered in circuit board for SOIC and TSSOP packages.

#### CAUTION\_

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 OP196/OP296/OP496 feature proprietary ESD protection circuitry, permanent damage may occur on devices subjected to high-energy electrostatic discharges. Therefore, proper ESD precautions are recommended to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

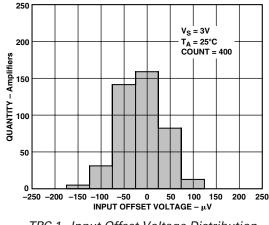
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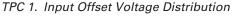
Model	Temperature	Package	Package
	Range	Description	Option
OP196GS	-40°C to +125°C	8-Lead SOIC	SO-8
OP296GP*	-40°C to +125°C	8-Lead Plastic DIP	N-8
OP296GS	-40°C to +125°C	8-Lead SOIC	SO-8
OP296HRU	-40°C to +125°C	8-Lead TSSOP	RU-8
OP496GP*	-40°C to +125°C	14-Lead Plastic DIP	N-14
OP496GS	-40°C to +125°C	14-Lead SOIC	SO-14
OP496HRU	-40°C to +125°C	14-Lead TSSOP	RU-14

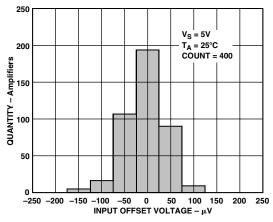
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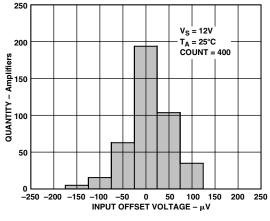
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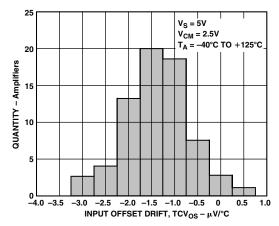




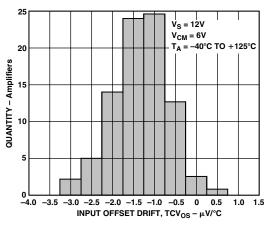
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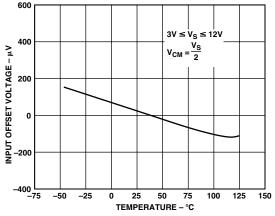
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TPC 4. Input Offset Voltage Distribution (TCV<sub>OS</sub>)

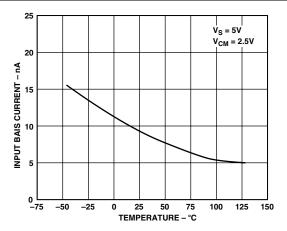


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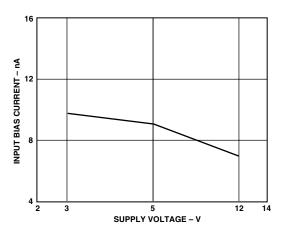


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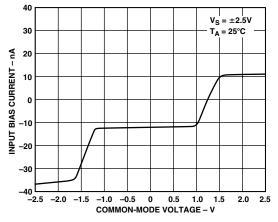




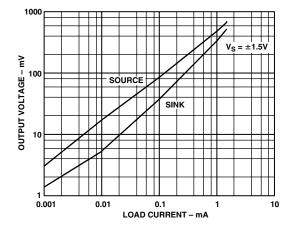
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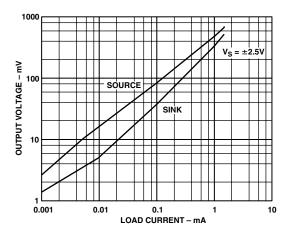
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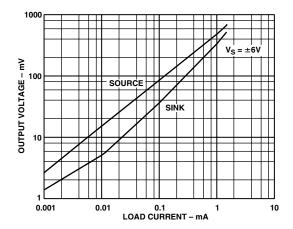
TPC 9. Input Bias Current vs. Common-Mode Voltage



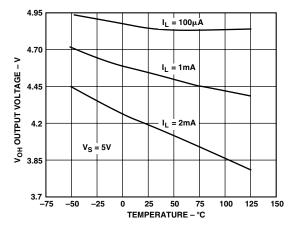
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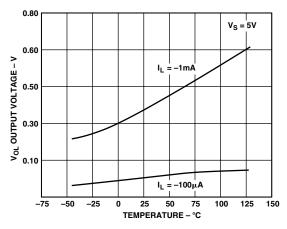
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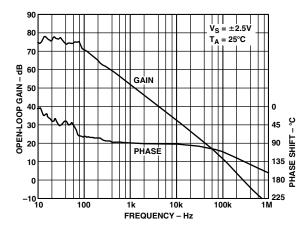
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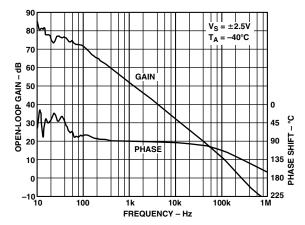
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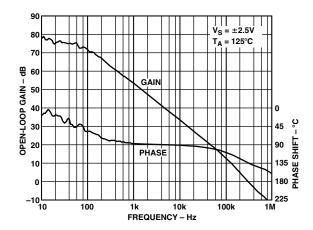
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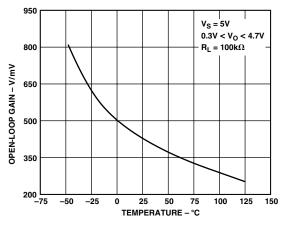
TPC 15. Open-Loop Gain and Phase vs. Frequency (No Load)



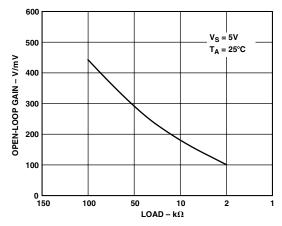
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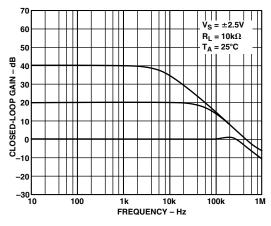
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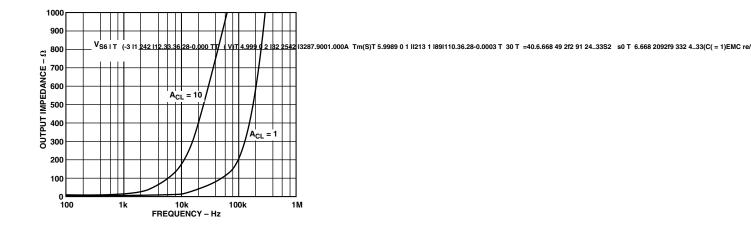
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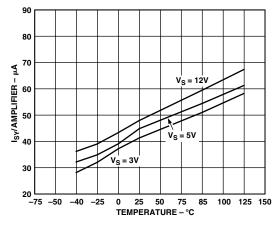


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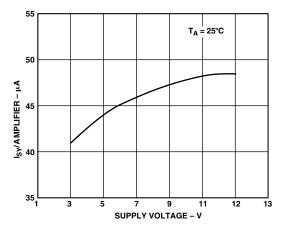


TPC 20. Closed-Loop Gain vs. Frequency

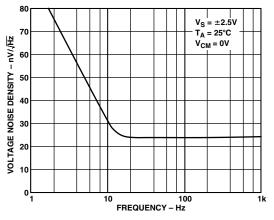




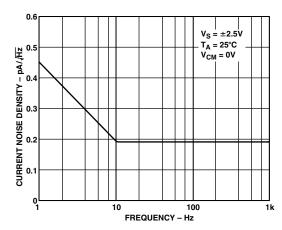
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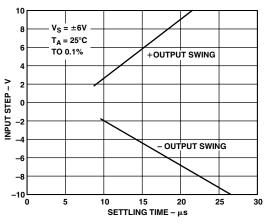
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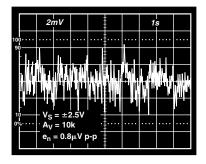
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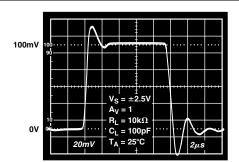
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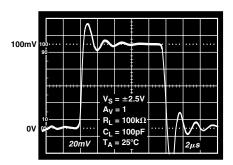
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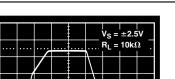
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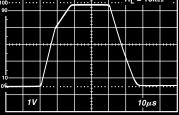


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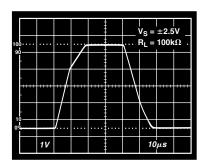


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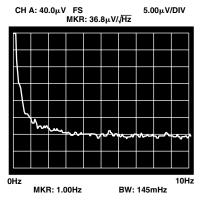




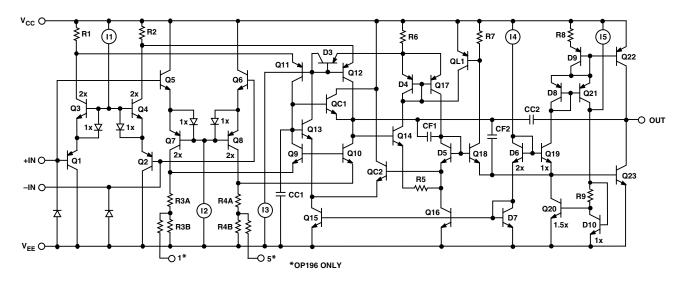
TPC 33. Large Signal Transient Response



TPC 34. Large Signal Transient Response



TPC 35. 1/f Noise Corner,  $V_S = \pm 5 V$ ,  $A_V = 1,000$ 



TPC 36. Simplified Schematic

### APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

#### **Functional Description**

The OP196 family of operational amplifiers is comprised of singlesupply, micropower, rail-to-rail input and output amplifiers. Input offset voltage (V<sub>OS</sub>) is only 300  $\mu$ V maximum, while the output will deliver ±5 mA to a load. Supply current is only 50  $\mu$ A, while bandwidth is over 450 kHz and slew rate is 0.3 V/ $\mu$ s. TPC 36 is a simplified schematic of the OP196—it displays the novel circuit design techniques used to achieve this performance.

### **Input Overvoltage Protection**

The OPx96 family of op amps uses a composite PNP/NPN input stage. Transistor Q1 in Figure 36 has a collector-base voltage of 0 V if +IN =  $V_{EE}$ . If +IN then exceeds  $V_{EE}$ , the junction will be forward biased and large diode currents will flow, which may damage the device. The same situation applies to +IN on the base of transistor Q5 being driven above  $V_{CC}$ . Therefore, the inverting and noninverting inputs must not be driven above or below either supply rail unless the input current is limited.

Figure 1 shows the input characteristics for the OPx96 family. This photograph was generated with the power supply pins connected to ground and a curve tracer's collector output drive connected to the input. As shown in the figure, when the input voltage exceeds either supply by more than 0.6 V, internal pn-junctions energize and permit current flow from the inputs to the supplies. If the current is not limited, the amplifier may be damaged. To prevent damage, the input current should be limited to no more than 5 mA.

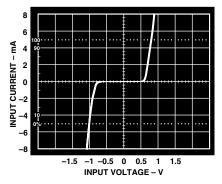


Figure 1. Input Overvoltage I-V Characteristics of the OPx96 Family

### **Output Phase Reversal**

Some other operational amplifiers designed for single-supply operation exhibit an output voltage phase reversal when their inputs are driven beyond their useful common-mode range. Typically for single-supply bipolar op amps, the negative supply determines the lower limit of their common-mode range. With these common-mode limited devices, external clamping diodes are required to prevent input signal excursions from exceeding the device's negative supply rail (i.e., GND) and triggering output phase reversal.

The OPx96 family of op amps is free from output phase reversal effects due to its novel input structure. Figure 2 illustrates the performance of the OPx96 op amps when the input is driven beyond the supply rails. As previously mentioned, amplifier input current must be limited if the inputs are driven beyond

the supply rails. In the circuit of Figure 2, the source amplitude is  $\pm 15$  V, while the supply voltage is only  $\pm 5$  V. In this case, a 2 k $\Omega$  source resistor limits the input current to 5 mA.

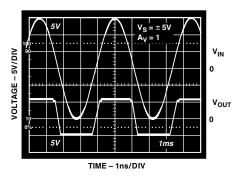


Figure 2. Output Voltage Phase Reversal Behavior

### Input Offset Voltage Nulling

The OP196 provides two offset adjust terminals that can be used to null the amplifier's internal  $V_{OS}$ . In general, operational amplifier terminals should never be used to adjust system offset voltages. A 100 k $\Omega$  potentiometer, connected as shown in Figure 3, is recommended to null the OP196's offset voltage. Offset nulling does not adversely affect TCV<sub>OS</sub> performance, providing that the trimming potentiometer temperature coefficient does not exceed  $\pm 100$  ppm/°C.

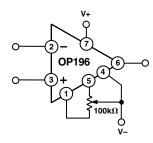


Figure 3. Offset Nulling Circuit

### **Driving Capacitive Loads**

OP196 family amplifiers are unconditionally stable with capacitive loads less than 170 pF. When driving large capacitive loads in unity-gain configurations, an in-the-loop compensation technique is recommended, as illustrated in Figure 4.

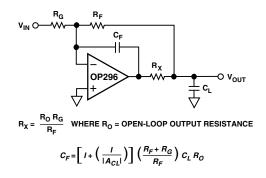


Figure 4. In-the-Loop Compensation Technique for Driving Capacitive Loads

### A Micropower False-Ground Generator

Some single supply circuits work best when inputs are biased above ground, typically at 1/2 of the supply voltage. In these cases, a false-ground can be created by using a voltage divider buffered by an amplifier. One such circuit is shown in Figure 5.

This circuit will generate a false-ground reference at 1/2 of the supply voltage, while drawing only about 55  $\mu$ A from a 5 V supply. The circuit includes compensation to allow for a 1  $\mu$ F bypass capacitor at the false-ground output. The benefit of a large capacitor is that not only does the false-ground present a very low dc resistance to the load, but its ac impedance is low as well.

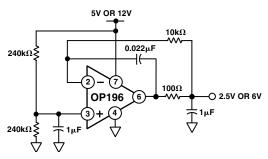


Figure 5. A Micropower False-Ground Generator

### Single-Supply Half-Wave and Full-Wave Rectifiers

An OP296, configured as a voltage follower operating from a single supply, can be used as a simple half-wave rectifier in low frequency (<400 Hz) applications. A full-wave rectifier can be configured with a pair of OP296s as illustrated in Figure 6.

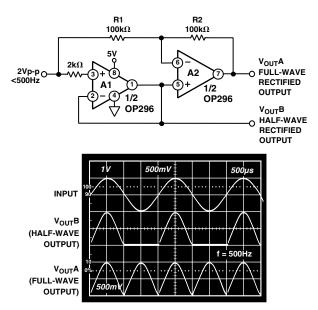


Figure 6. Single-Supply Half-Wave and Full-Wave Rectifiers Using an OP296

The circuit works as follows: When the input signal is above 0 V, the output of amplifier A1 follows the input signal. Since the noninverting input of amplifier A2 is connected to A1's output, op amp loop control forces A2's inverting input to the same potential. The result is that both terminals of R1 are at the

same potential and no current flows in R1. Since there is no current flow in R1, the same condition must exist in R2; thus, the output of the circuit tracks the input signal. When the input signal is below 0 V, the output voltage of A1 is forced to 0 V. This condition now forces A2 to operate as an inverting voltage follower because the noninverting terminal of A2 is also at 0 V. The output voltage of  $V_{OUT}A$  is then a full-wave rectified version of the input signal. A resistor in series with A1's noninverting input protects the ESD diodes when the input signal goes below ground.

#### **Square Wave Oscillator**

The oscillator circuit in Figure 7 demonstrates how a rail-to-rail output swing can reduce the effects of power supply variations on the oscillator's frequency. This feature is especially valuable in battery powered applications, where voltage regulation may not be available. The output frequency remains stable as the supply voltage changes because the RC charging current, which is derived from the rail-to-rail output, is proportional to the supply voltage. Since the Schmitt trigger threshold level is also proportional to supply voltage, the frequency remains relatively independent of supply voltage. For a supply voltage change from 9 V to 5 V, the output frequency only changes about 4 Hz. The slew rate of the amplifier limits the oscillation frequency to a maximum of about 200 Hz at a supply voltage of 5 V.

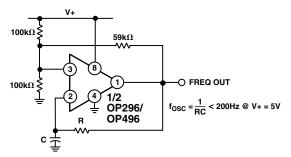


Figure 7. Square Wave Oscillator Has Stable Frequency Regardless of Supply Voltage Changes

#### A 3 V Low Dropout, Linear Voltage Regulator

Figure 8 shows a simple 3 V voltage regulator design. The regulator can deliver 50 mA load current while allowing a 0.2 V dropout voltage. The OP296's rail-to-rail output swing easily drives the MJE350 pass transistor without requiring special drive circuitry. With no load, its output can swing to less than the pass transistor's base-emitter voltage, turning the device nearly off. At full load, and at low emitter-collector voltages, the transistor beta tends to decrease. The additional base current is easily handled by the OP296 output.

The AD589 provides a 1.235 V reference voltage for the regulator. The OP296, operating with a noninverting gain of 2.43, drives the base of the MJE350 to produce an output voltage of 3.0 V. Since the MJE350 operates in an inverting (commonemitter) mode, the output feedback is applied to the OP296's noninverting input.

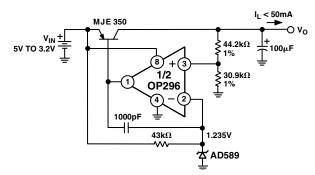


Figure 8. 3 V Low Dropout Voltage Regulator

Figure 9 shows the regulator's recovery characteristics when its output underwent a 20 mA to 50 mA step current change.

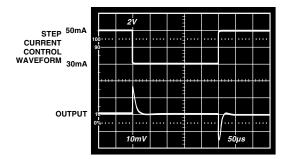


Figure 9. Output Step Load Current Recovery

#### Buffering a DAC Output

Multichannel TrimDACs<sup>®</sup> such as the AD8801/AD8803, are widely used for digital nulling and similar applications. These DACs have rail-to-rail output swings, with a nominal output resistance of 5 k $\Omega$ . If a lower output impedance is required, an OP296 amplifier can be added. Two examples are shown in Figure 10. One amplifier of an OP296 is used as a simple buffer to reduce the output resistance of DAC A. The OP296 provides rail-to-rail output drive while operating down to a 3 V supply and requiring only 50  $\mu$ A of supply current.

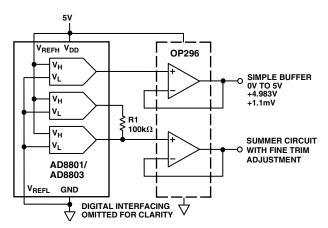


Figure 10. Buffering a TrimDAC OutputTPC

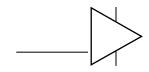
The next two DACs, B and C, sum their outputs into the other OP296 amplifier. In this circuit DAC C provides the coarse output voltage setting and DAC B is used for fine adjustment. The insertion of R1 in series with DAC B attenuates its contribution to the voltage sum node at the DAC C output.

### A High-Side Current Monitor

In the design of power supply control circuits, a great deal of design effort is focused on ensuring a pass transistor's long-term reliability over a wide range of load current conditions. As a result, monitoring and limiting device power dissipation is of prime importance in these designs. The circuit illustrated in Figure 11 is an example of a 5 V, single-supply high-side current monitor that can be incorporated into the design of a voltage regulator with fold-back current limiting or a high current power supply with crowbar protection. This design uses an OP296's rail-to-rail input voltage range to sense the voltage drop across a 0.1  $\Omega$  current shunt. A p-channel MOSFET is used as the feedback element in the circuit to convert the op amp's differential input voltage into a current. This current is then applied to R2 to generate a voltage that is a linear representation of the load current. The transfer equation for the current monitor is given by:

Monitor Output = 
$$R2 \times \left(\frac{R_{SENSE}}{R1}\right) \times I_L$$

For the element values shown, the Monitor Output's transfer characteristic is 2.5 V/A.



Amplifiers A2 and A3 are configured in a two op amp instru-

mentation amplifier configuration. For ease of measurement, the IA resistors are chosen to produce a gain of 259, so that

the output voltage. To reduce measurement noise, the band-

each 1°C increase in temperature results in a 10 mV increase in

width of the amplifier is limited. A 0.1 µF capacitor, connected

in parallel with the 100 k $\Omega$  resistor on amplifier A3, creates a

pole at 16 Hz.

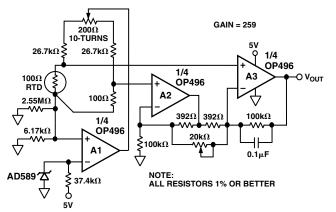
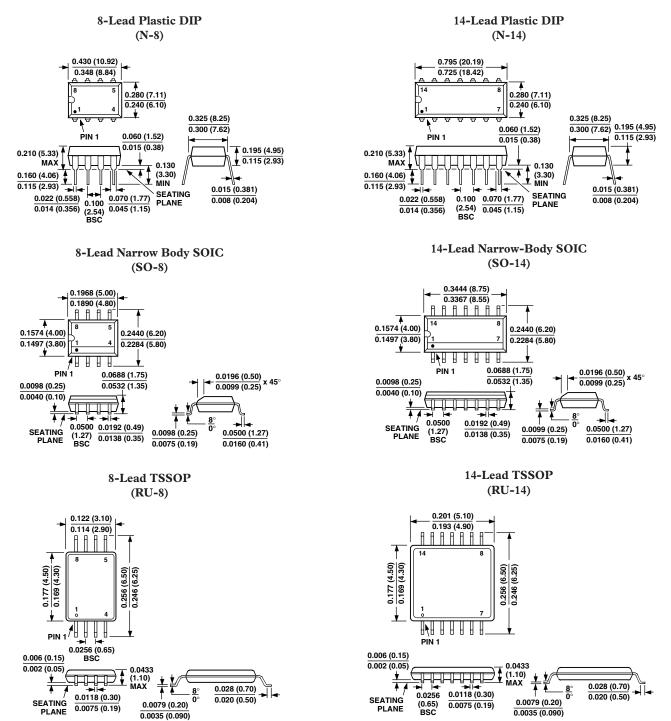


Figure 12. A Single-Supply RTD Amplifier

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### **OUTLINE DIMENSIONS**

Dimensions shown in inches and (mm).



### **Revision History**

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