# ANALOG DEVICES

# 5 V CATV Line Driver
# Coarse Step Output Power Control

# AD8322

## FEATURES
**Supports DOCSIS Standard for Reverse Path Transmission**
**Gain Programmable in 6 dB Steps Over a 42 dB Range**
**Low Distortion at 60 dBmV Output**
  –58 dBc SFDR at 21 MHz
  –56 dBc SFDR at 42 MHz
**Output Noise Level**
  –46 dBmV in 160 kHz Bandwidth
**Maintains 75 Ω Output Impedance**
  **Power-Up and Power-Down Condition**
**180 MHz Bandwidth**
**5 V Supply Operation**
**Supports SPI Interfaces**

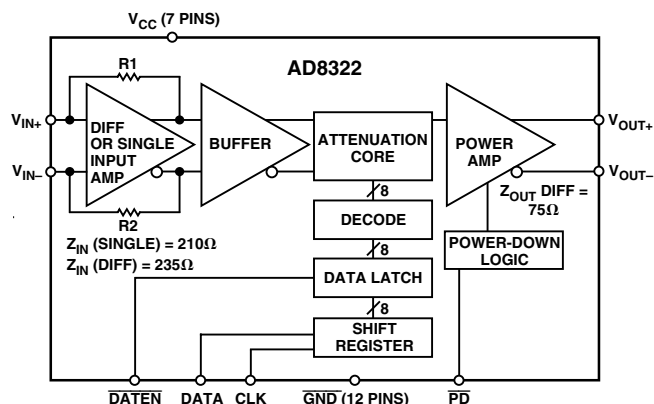## APPLICATIONS
**Gain Programmable Line Driver**
  **DOCSIS-Compliant Data Modems**
  **Interactive Set-Top Boxes**
  **PC Plug-in Modems**
**General-Purpose Digitally Controlled Variable Gain Block**

## FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The AD8322 is a low-cost, digitally controlled variable gain amplifier optimized for coaxial line driving applications such as cable modems that are designed to the MCNS-DOCSIS upstream standard. An 8-bit serial word determines the desired output gain over a 42.14 dB range, with gain steps of 6.02 dB/major carry.

The AD8322 comprises a digitally controlled variable attenuator of 0 dB to –42.14 dB, which is preceded by a low-noise, fixed-gain buffer and is followed by a low-distortion, high-power amplifier. The AD8322 accepts a differential or single-ended input signal. The output is specified for driving a 75 Ω load, such as coaxial cable.

Distortion performance of –58 dBc is achieved with an output level up to 60 dBmV at 21 MHz bandwidth. A key performance and cost advantage of the AD8322 results from the ability to maintain a constant 75 Ω output impedance during power-up and power-down conditions. This eliminates the need for external 75 Ω termination resulting in twice the effective output voltage when compared to a standard operational amplifier.

The AD8322 is packaged in a low-cost 28-lead TSSOP, operates from a single 5 V supply, and has an operational temperature range of –40°C to +85°C.
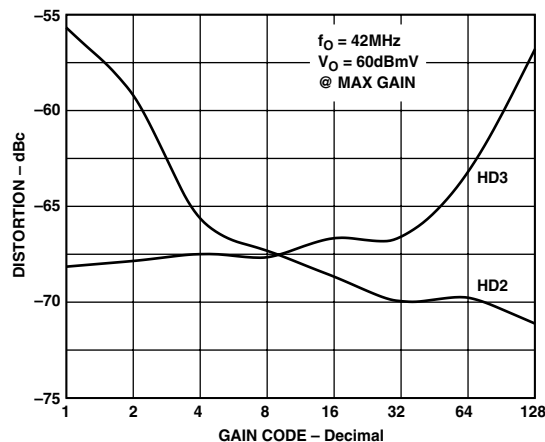


Figure 1. Harmonic Distortion vs. Gain Control

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# AD8322–SPECIFICATIONS $(T_A = 25°C, V_S = 5 V, R_L = R_{IN} = 75 \Omega, V_{IN} = 92$ mV p-p differential, $V_{OUT}$ measured through a 1:1 transformer[1] with insertion loss of 0.5 dB @ 10 MHz unless otherwise noted)

| Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **INPUT CHARACTERISTICS** | | | | | |
| Specified AC Voltage | $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV, Max Gain | | 92 | | mV p-p |
| Noise Figure | Max Gain, f = 10 MHz | | 11.8 | | dB |
| Input Resistance | Single-Ended Input | | 210 | | $\Omega$ |
| | Differential Input | | 235 | | $\Omega$ |
| Input Capacitance | | | 2 | | pF |
| **GAIN CONTROL INTERFACE** | | | | | |
| Gain Range | | 41.0 | 42.14 | 43.2 | dB |
| Maximum Gain | Gain Code = 1xxxxxxx | 27.5 | 29.5 | 31.5 | dB |
| Minimum Gain | Gain Code = 00000001 | −14.64 | −12.64 | −10.64 | dB |
| Gain Scaling Factor | | | 6.02 | | dB/Major Carry |
| **OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS** | | | | | |
| Bandwidth (−3 dB) | All Gain Codes | | 180 | | MHz |
| Bandwidth Roll-Off | f = 65 MHz | | 0.25 | | dB |
| Bandwidth Peaking | f = 65 MHz | | 0.05 | | dB |
| Output Noise | Max Gain, f = 10 MHz | | −32 | | dBmV in 160 kHz BW |
| | Min Gain, f = 10 MHz | | −46 | | dBmV in 160 kHz BW |
| | Power-Down Mode, f = 10 MHz | | −68 | | dBmV in 160 kHz BW |
| 1 dB Compression Point | Max Gain, f = 10 MHz | | 19 | | dBm |
| Differential Output Impedance | Power-Up and Power-Down | | 75 ± 20% | | $\Omega$ |
| **OVERALL PERFORMANCE** | | | | | |
| Second Order Harmonic Distortion[2] | f = 5 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −64 | | dBc |
| | f = 14 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −60 | | dBc |
| | f = 21 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −58 | | dBc |
| | f = 32 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −57 | | dBc |
| | f = 42 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −56 | | dBc |
| | f = 65 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −52 | | dBc |
| Third Order Harmonic Distortion | f = 5 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −67 | | dBc |
| | f = 14 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −64 | | dBc |
| | f = 21 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −61 | | dBc |
| | f = 32 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −58 | | dBc |
| | f = 42 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −56 | | dBc |
| | f = 65 MHz, $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV @ Max Gain | | −53 | | dBc |
| Gain Linearity Error | f = 10 MHz, Code to Code | | ±0.2 | | dB |
| Output Settling to 1 mV | | | | | |
| Due to Gain Change | Min to Max Gain | | 60 | | ns |
| Due to Input Change | Max Gain, $V_{IN}$ = 0 V to 0.09 V p-p | | 30 | | ns |
| Signal Feedthrough | Max Gain, Power-Down, f = 42 MHz, $V_{IN}$ = 0.09 V p-p | | −24 | | dBc |
| **POWER CONTROL** | | | | | |
| Power-Up Settling Time to 1 mV | Max Gain, $V_{IN}$ = 0 | | 300 | | ns |
| Power-Down Settling Time to 1 mV | Max Gain, $V_{IN}$ = 0 | | 40 | | ns |
| Between Burst Transients[3] | Equivalent $P_{OUT}$ = 17.6 to 35.67 dBmV | | 3 | | mV p-p |
| | Equivalent $P_{OUT}$ = 60 dBmV | | 16 | | mV p-p |
| **POWER SUPPLY** | | | | | |
| Operating Range | | 4.75 | 5 | 5.25 | V |
| Quiescent Current | Power-Up Mode | 100 | 113 | 126 | mA |
| | Power-Down Mode | 44 | 54 | 60 | mA |
| **OPERATING TEMPERATURE RANGE** | | −40 | | +85 | °C |

NOTES

[1]TOKO # 617 DB-A0070 used for above specifications. MACOM ETC-1-IT-15 can be substituted.

[2]All distortion measurements taken with differential input signal and represent worst distortion across all gain codes.

[3]Between burst transients measured at the output of PULSE B5008 42 MHz diplexer.

Specifications subject to change without notice.

## LOGIC INPUTS (TTL/CMOS Compatible Logic) ($\overline{\text{DATEN}}$, CLK, SDATA, $\overline{\text{PD}}$, $V_{CC}$ = 5 V: Full Temperature Range)

| Parameter | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Logic "1" Voltage | 2.1 | | 5.0 | V |
| Logic "0" Voltage | 0 | | 0.8 | V |
| Logic "1" Current ($V_{INH}$ = 5 V) CLK, SDATA, $\overline{\text{DATEN}}$ | 0 | | 20 | nA |
| Logic "0" Current ($V_{INL}$ = 0 V) CLK, SDATA, $\overline{\text{DATEN}}$ | −600 | | −100 | nA |
| Logic "1" Current ($V_{INH}$ = 5 V) $\overline{\text{PD}}$ | 50 | | 190 | μA |
| Logic "0" Current ($V_{INL}$ = 0 V) $\overline{\text{PD}}$ | −250 | | −30 | μA |

## TIMING REQUIREMENTS (Full Temperature Range, $V_{CC}$ = 5 V, $T_R$ = $T_F$ = 4 ns, $f_{CLK}$ = 8 MHz unless otherwise noted.)

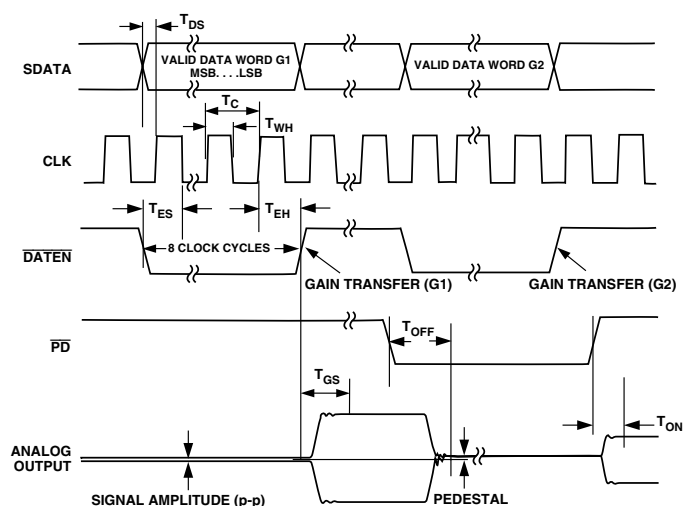| Parameter | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Clock Pulsewidth ($T_{WH}$) | 16.0 | | | ns |
| Clock Period ($T_C$) | 32.0 | | | ns |
| Setup Time SDATA vs. Clock ($T_{DS}$) | 5.0 | | | ns |
| Setup Time $\overline{\text{DATEN}}$ vs. Clock ($T_{ES}$) | 15.0 | | | ns |
| Hold Time SDATA vs. Clock ($T_{DH}$) | 5.0 | | | ns |
| Hold Time $\overline{\text{DATEN}}$ vs. Clock ($T_{EH}$) | 3.0 | | | ns |
| Input Rise and Fall Times, SDATA, $\overline{\text{DATEN}}$, Clock ($T_R$, $T_F$) | | | 10 | ns |



Figure 2. Serial Interface Timing

**Table I. Gain vs. Gain Code**

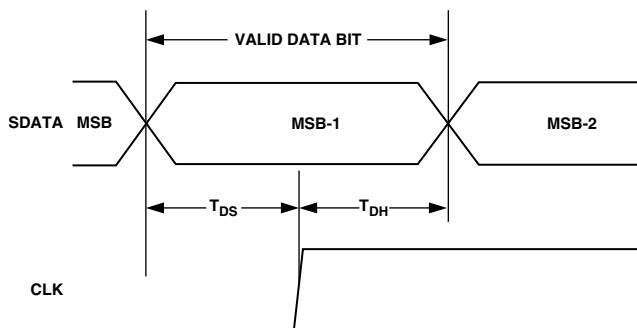| Decimal Gain Code | 8-Bit SPI Data Word MSB     LSB | Nominal Gain (dB) |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 | −12.64 |
| 2 | 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 | −6.62 |
| 4 | 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 | −0.60 |
| 8 | 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 | 5.42 |
| 16 | 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 | 11.44 |
| 32 | 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 | 17.46 |
| 64 | 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 | 23.48 |
| 128 | 1 x x x x x x x | 29.50 |

0 = low, 1 = high, x = don't care.



Figure 3. SDATA Timing

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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS*

Supply Voltage $+V_S$
    Pins 6, 8, 9, 20, 21, 23, 27 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 V
Input Voltages
    Pins 25, 26 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\pm 0.5$ V
    Pins 1, 2, 3, 7 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $-0.8$ V to $+5.5$ V
Internal Power Dissipation
    TSSOP (RU) . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 0.90 W
Operating Temperature Range . . . . . . . . . . . $-40°C$ to $+85°C$
Storage Temperature Range . . . . . . . . . . . $-65°C$ to $+150°C$
Lead Temperature, Soldering 60 seconds . . . . . . . . . . . 300°C

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

## PIN CONFIGURATION

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  SDATA 1 │ ●               │ 28 GND
    CLK 2 │                 │ 27 VCC
  DATEN 3 │                 │ 26 VIN–
    GND 4 │                 │ 25 VIN+
    BYP 5 │    AD8322       │ 24 GND
    VCC 6 │    TOP VIEW     │ 23 VCC
     PD 7 │  (Not to Scale) │ 22 GND
    VCC 8 │                 │ 21 VCC
    VCC 9 │                 │ 20 VCC
  OUT– 10 │                 │ 19 OUT+
   GND 11 │                 │ 18 GND
   GND 12 │                 │ 17 GND
   GND 13 │                 │ 16 GND
   GND 14 │                 │ 15 GND
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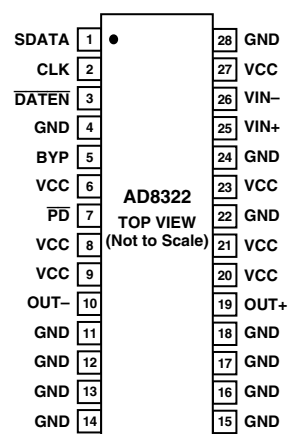
## ORDERING GUIDE

| Model | Temperature Range | Package Description | $\theta_{JA}$ | Package Option |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| AD8322ARU | $-40°C$ to $+85°C$ | 28-Lead TSSOP | 67.7°C/W* | RU-28 |
| AD8322ARU-REEL | $-40°C$ to $+85°C$ | 28-Lead TSSOP | 67.7°C/W* | RU-28 |
| AD8322-EVAL | | Evaluation Board | | |

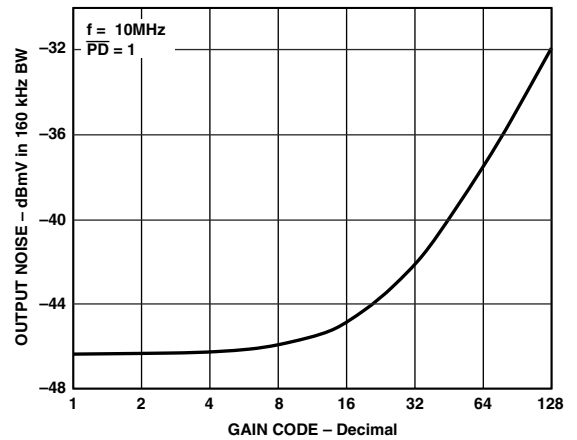*Thermal Resistance measured on SEMI standard 4-layer board.
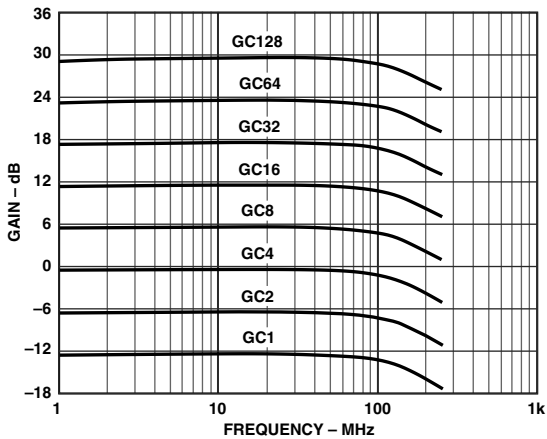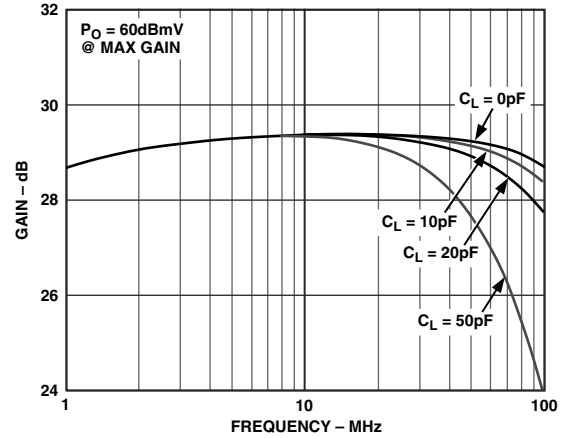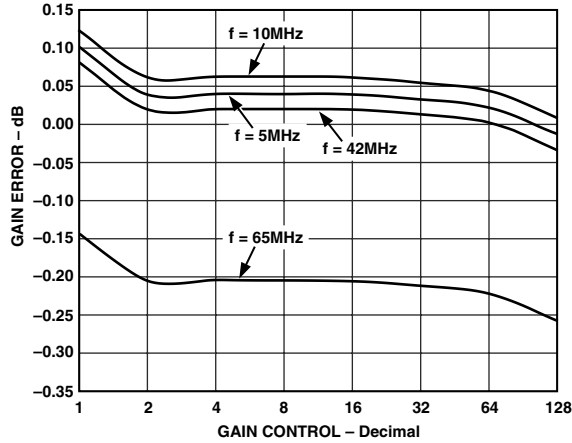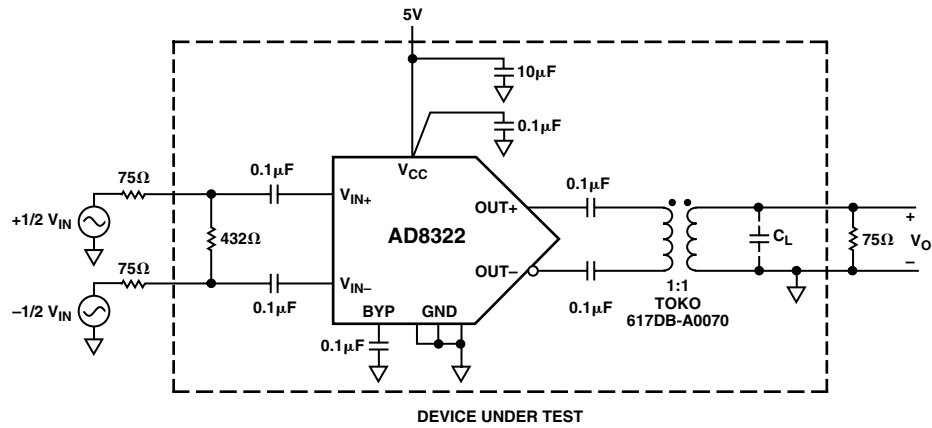
## CAUTION

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 AD8322 features 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.
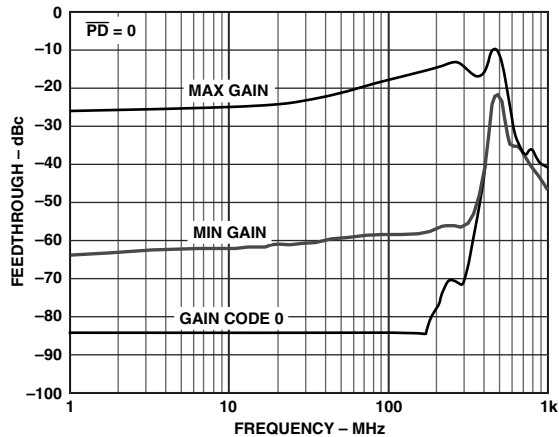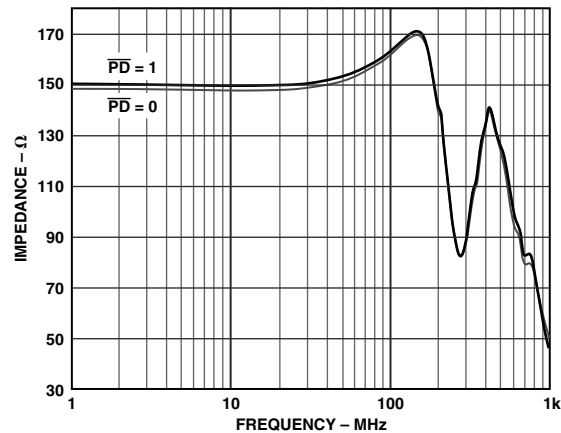
## PIN FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS

| Pin No. | Mnemonic | Description |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | SDATA | Serial Data Input. This digital input allows for an 8-bit serial (gain) word to be loaded into the internal register with the MSB (Most Significant Bit) first. |
| 2 | CLK | Clock Input. The clock port controls the serial attenuator data transfer rate to the 8-bit master-slave register. A Logic 0-to-1 transition latches the data bit and a 1-to-0 transfers the data bit to the slave. This requires the input serial data word to be valid at or before this clock transition. |
| 3 | $\overline{DATEN}$ | Data Enable Low Input. This port controls the 8-bit parallel data latch and shift register. A Logic 0-to-1 transition transfers the latched data to the attenuator core (updates the gain) and simultaneously inhibits serial data transfer into the register. A 1-to-0 transition inhibits the data latch (holds the previous gain state) and simultaneously enables the register for serial data load. |
| 4, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 22, 24, 28 | GND | Common External Ground Reference. |
| 5 | BYP | Internal Bypass. This pin must be externally ac-decoupled (0.1 µF capacitor). |
| 6, 8, 9, 20, 21, 23, 27 | VCC | Common Positive External Supply Voltage. A 0.1 µF capacitor must decouple each pin. |
| 7 | $\overline{PD}$ | Logic "0" powers down the part. Logic "1" powers up the part. |
| 10 | OUT– | Negative Output Signal. |
| 19 | OUT+ | Positive Output Signal. |
| 25 | VIN+ | Noninverting Input. DC-biased to approximately $V_{CC}/2$. Refer to Applications section for proper termination. |
| 26 | VIN– | Inverting Input. DC-biased to approximately $V_{CC}/2$. Refer to Applications section for proper termination. |

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TPC 1.  Test Circuit



TPC 2.  Gain Error vs. Gain Control



TPC 4.  AC Response for Various Capacitor Loads



TPC 3.  AC Response vs. Gain Control
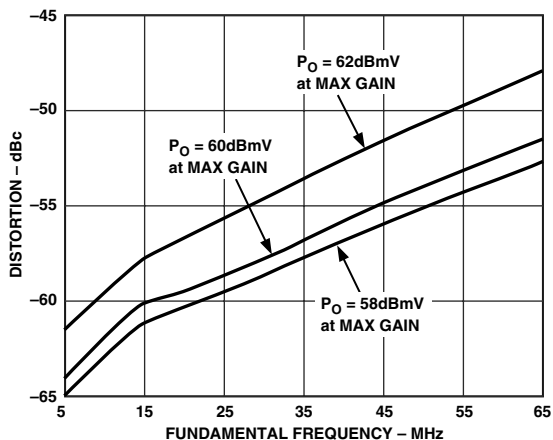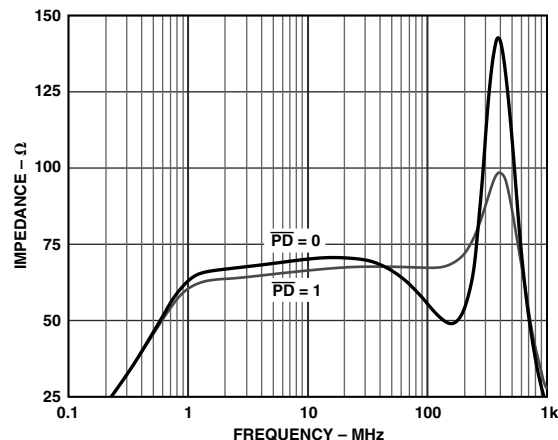


TPC 5.  Output Noise vs. Gain Code

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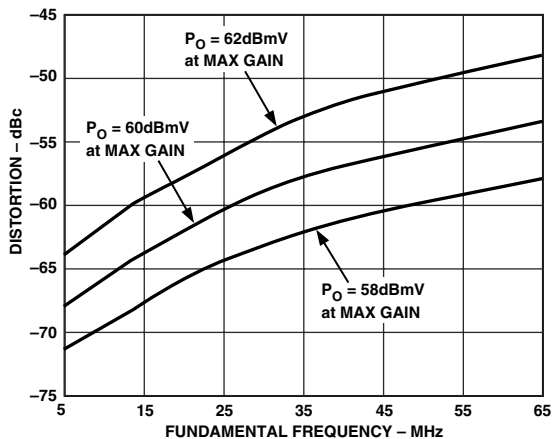TPC 6. Input Signal Feedthrough vs. Frequency



TPC 9. Input Impedance vs. Frequency (Inputs Shunted with 432 Ω)



TPC 7. Second Order Harmonic Distortion vs. Frequency for Various Output Levels



TPC 10. Output Impedance vs. Frequency



TPC 8. Third Order Harmonic Distortion vs. Frequency for Various Output Levels

**APPLICATIONS**

**General Application**

The AD8322 is primarily intended for use as the upstream power amplifier (PA) in DOCSIS (Data Over Cable Service Interface Specifications) certified cable modems and CATV set-top boxes. Upstream data is modulated in QPSK or QAM format. This is done with DSP or a dedicated QPSK/QAM modulator. The amplifier receives its input signal from the QPSK/QAM modulator or from a DAC. In either case the signal must be low-pass filtered before being applied to the amplifier. Because the distance from the cable modem to the central office will vary with each subscriber, the AD8322 must be capable of varying its output power by applying gain or attenuation to ensure that all signals arriving at the central office are of the same amplitude. The upstream signal path contains components such as a transformer and diplexer that will result in some amount of power loss. Therefore, the amplifier must be capable of providing enough power into a 75 Ω load to overcome these losses without sacrificing the integrity of the output signal.

**Operational Description**

The AD8322 is composed of three analog functions in the power-up or forward mode. The input amplifier (preamp) can be used single-ended or differentially. If the input is used in the differential configuration, it is imperative that the input signals be 180 degrees out of phase and of equal amplitudes. This will ensure the proper gain accuracy and harmonic performance. The preamp stage drives a DAC, which provides the bulk of the AD8322's attenuation (7 bits or 42.14 dB). The signals in the preamp and DAC gain blocks are differential to improve the PSRR and linearity. A differential current is fed from the DAC into the output stage, which amplifies these currents to the appropriate levels necessary to drive a 75 Ω load. The output stage utilizes negative feedback to implement a differential 75 Ω output impedance. This eliminates the need for external matching resistors.

**SPI Programming and Gain Adjustment**

Gain programming of the AD8322 is accomplished using a serial peripheral interface (SPI) and three digital control lines, $\overline{DATEN}$, SDATA, and CLK. To change the gain, eight bits of data are streamed into the serial shift register through the SDATA port. The SDATA load sequence begins with a falling edge on the $\overline{DATEN}$ pin, thus activating the CLK line. Although the CLK line is now activated, no change in gain is observed. With the CLK line activated, data on the SDATA line is clocked into the serial shift register, Most Significant Bit (MSB) first, on the rising edge of each CLK pulse. A rising edge on the $\overline{DATEN}$ line latches the contents of the shift register into the attenuator core resulting in a well-controlled change in the output signal level. The serial interface timing for the AD8322 is shown in Figures 2 and 3. The programmable gain range of the AD8322 is –12.64 dB to +29.5 dB and scales 6.02 dB for each major carry. Because the AD8322 was characterized with a TOKO transformer, the stated gain values already take into account the losses associated with the transformer. Valid gain codes are the major carries

from decimal 1–128 (decimal values 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128). The resulting gain for each code can be seen in Table I. Although the AD8322 is designed for use with the previous eight codes, the intermediate codes can be used.

The gain transfer function is as follows:

$A_V = 20 \times LOG\ (0.2332 \times \text{CODE})$ for $1 \leq CODE \leq 128$
$A_V = 29.5$ dB for CODE $\geq 128$

where $A_V$ is the gain in dB and $CODE$ is the decimal equivalent of the 8-bit word.

Figure 4 shows the gain characteristic for all possible values (except 0) in an 8-bit word. Code 0 may be used if more feedthrough isolation is required. It typically provides –85 dB of isolation across the 5 MHz to 65 MHz upstream band.
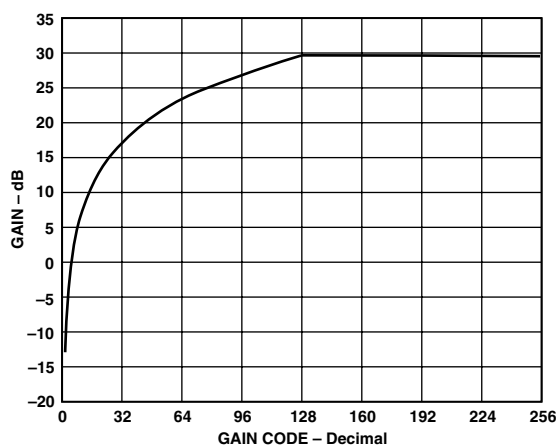


*Figure 4. Gain vs. Gain Code*

**Input Bias, Impedance, and Termination**

The $V_{IN+}$ and $V_{IN-}$ inputs have a dc bias level of approximately $V_{CC}/2$, therefore the input signal should be ac-coupled. The differential input impedance is approximately 235 Ω while the single-ended input impedance is 210 Ω. If the AD8322 is being operated in a single-ended input configuration with a desired input impedance of 75 Ω, the $V_{IN+}$ and $V_{IN-}$ inputs should be terminated as shown in Figure 5. For input impedances other than 75 Ω, the value of R1 in Figure 5 can be calculated using the following equation:
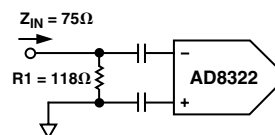
$Z_{IN} = R1 \| 210$


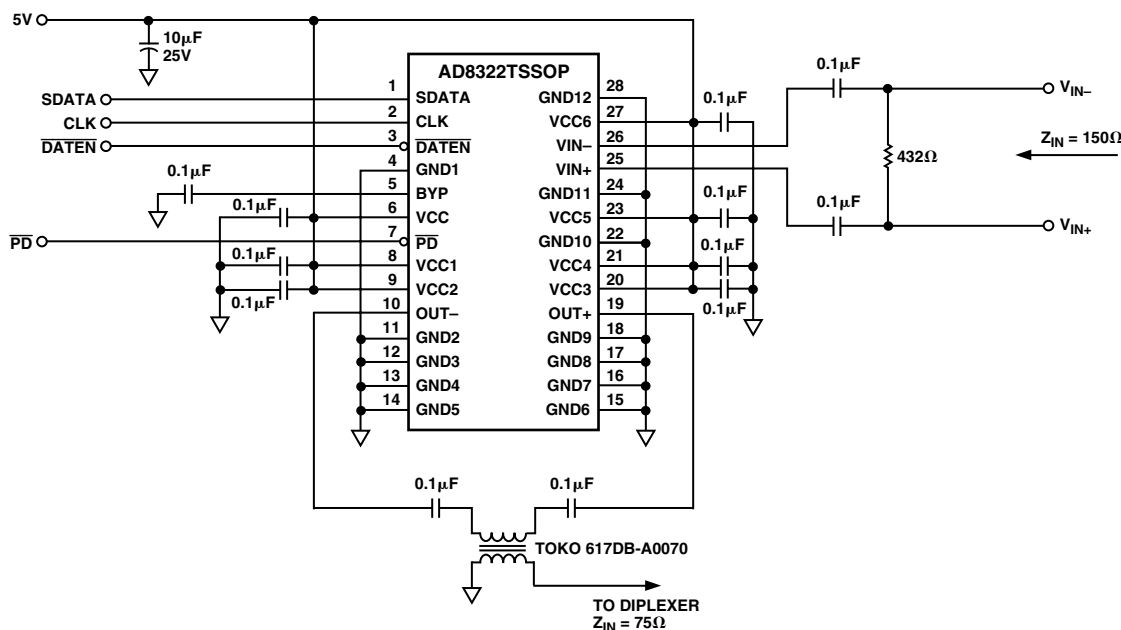
*Figure 5. Single-Ended Input Termination*

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Figure 6. Typical Applications Circuit

**Output Bias, Impedance, and Termination**

The differential output pins $V_{OUT+}$ and $V_{OUT-}$ are also biased to a dc level of approximately $V_{CC}/2$. Therefore, the outputs should be ac-coupled before being applied to the load. This may be accomplished by connecting 0.1 μF capacitors in series with the outputs as shown in the typical applications circuit of Figure 6. The differential output impedance of the AD8322 is internally maintained at 75 Ω, regardless of whether the amplifier is in forward transmit mode or reverse power-down mode, eliminating the need for external back termination resistors. A 1:1 transformer (TOKO #617DB-A0070) is used to couple the amplifier's differential output to the coaxial cable while maintaining a proper impedance match. If the output signal is being evaluated on standard 50 Ω test equipment, a 75 Ω to 50 Ω pad must be used to provide the test circuit with the correct impedance match.

**Power Supply Decoupling, Grounding, and Layout Considerations**

Careful attention to printed circuit board layout details will prevent problems due to associated board parasitics. Proper RF design technique is mandatory. The 5 V supply power should be delivered to each of the VCC pins via a low impedance power bus to ensure that each pin is at the same potential. The power bus should be decoupled to ground with a 10 μF tantalum capacitor located in close proximity to the AD8322. In addition to the 10 μF capacitor, each VCC pin should be individually decoupled to ground with a 0.1 μF ceramic chip capacitor located as close to the pin as possible. The pin labeled BYP (Pin 5) should also be decoupled with a 0.1 μF capacitor. The PCB should have a low impedance ground plane covering all unused portions of the component side of the board, except in the area of the input and output traces (see Figure 11). It is important to connect all of the AD8322 ground pins to ensure proper grounding of all internal nodes. The differential input and output traces should be kept as short and as symmetrical as possible. In addition, the input and output traces should be kept far apart in order to

minimize coupling (crosstalk) through the board. Following these guidelines will improve the overall performance of the AD8322 in all applications.

**Initial Power-Up**

When the 5 V supply is first applied to the VCC pins of the AD8322, the gain setting of the amplifier is indeterminate. Therefore, as power is first applied to the amplifier, the $\overline{PD}$ pin should be held low (Logic 0) thus preventing forward signal transmission. After power has been applied to the amplifier, the gain can be set to the desired level by following the procedure in the SPI Programming and Gain Adjustment section. The $\overline{PD}$ pin can then be brought from Logic 0 to 1, enabling forward signal transmission at the desired gain level.

**Asynchronous Power-Down**

The asynchronous $\overline{PD}$ pin is used to place the AD8322 into "Between Burst" mode while maintaining a differential output impedance of 75 Ω. Applying a Logic 0 to the $\overline{PD}$ pin activates the on-chip reverse amplifier, providing a 52% reduction in consumed power. The supply current is reduced from approximately 113 mA to approximately 54 mA. In this mode of operation, between burst noise is minimized and the amplifier can no longer transmit in the upstream direction.

**Distortion, Adjacent Channel Power, and DOCSIS**

In order to deliver 58 dBmV of high-fidelity output power required by DOCSIS, the PA should be able to deliver about 60 to 61 dBmV in order to make up for losses associated with the transformer and diplexer. It should be noted that the AD8322 was characterized with the TOKO 617DB-A0070 transformer. TPC 7 and TPC 8 show the AD8322 second and third harmonic distortion performance versus fundamental frequency for various output power levels. These figures are useful for determining the in-band harmonic levels from 5 MHz to 65 MHz. Harmonics higher in frequency will be sharply attenuated by the low-pass filter function of the diplexer. Another measure of signal integrity is adjacent channel power or ACP. DOCSIS section 4.2.9.1.1 states, "Spurious emissions from a transmitted carrier may occur

in an adjacent channel which could be occupied by a carrier of the same or different symbol rates." Figure 7 shows the measured ACP, for a 16 QAM, 60 dBmV signal, taken at the output of the AD8322 evaluation board (see Figure 13 for evaluation board schematic). The transmit channel width and adjacent channel width in Figure 7 correspond to symbol rates of 160 $K_{SYM/SEC}$. Table II shows the ACP results for the AD8322 for all conditions in DOCSIS Table 4-7 "Adjacent Channel Spurious Emissions."
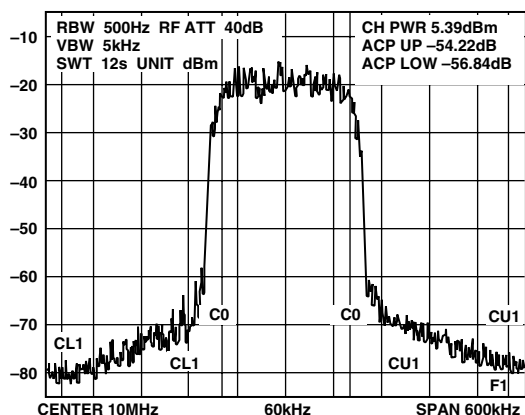


Figure 7. Adjacent Channel Power

Table II. ACP Performance for All DOCSIS Conditions (All Values in dBc)

| TRANSMIT CHANNEL SYMBOL RATE | ADJACENT CHANNEL SYMBOL RATE | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 160 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | 320 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | 640 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | 1280 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | 2560 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ |
| 160 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | –54.2 | –54.7 | –55.4 | –56.6 | –55.9 |
| 320 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | –53.8 | –54.6 | –54.6 | –55.1 | –54.8 |
| 640 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | –54.0 | –54.1 | –54.5 | –54.4 | –54.1 |
| 1280 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | –53.9 | –54.1 | –53.9 | –54.3 | –53.7 |
| 2560 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ | –54.2 | –54.2 | –54.2 | –53.8 | –53.5 |

**Noise and DOCSIS**
At minimum gain, the AD8322's output noise spectral density is 12 nV/$\sqrt{Hz}$ measured at 10 MHz. DOCSIS Table 4-8, "Spurious Emissions in 5 MHz to 42 MHz" specifies the output noise for various symbol rates. The calculated noise power in dBmV for 160 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ is:

$$\left( 20 \log \left( \sqrt{ \left( \frac{12\,nV}{\sqrt{Hz}} \right)^2 \times 160\,kHz } \right) \right) + 60 = -46.4\,dBmV$$

Comparing the computed noise power of –46.4 dBmV to the 8 dBmV signal yields –54.4 dBc, which meets the required level of –53 dBc set forth in DOCSIS Table 4-8. As the AD8322's gain is increased from this minimum value, the output signal increases at a faster rate than the noise, resulting in a signal-to-noise ratio that improves with gain. In transmit disable mode the output noise spectral density computed over 160 $K_{SYM/SEC}$ is 1.0 nV/$\sqrt{Hz}$ or –68 dBmV.

**Evaluation Board Features and Operation**
The AD8322 evaluation board (Part # AD8322-EVAL) and control software can be used to control the AD8322 upstream cable driver via the parallel port of a PC. A standard printer cable connected between the parallel port and the evaluation board is used to feed all the necessary data to the AD8322 by means of the Windows® based, Microsoft Visual Basic control software. This package provides a means of evaluating the amplifier by providing a convenient way to program the gain/attenuation as well as offering easy control of the amplifiers asynchronous $\overline{PD}$ pin. With this evaluation kit the AD8322 can be evaluated with either a single-ended or differential input configuration. The amplifier can also be evaluated with or without the PULSE diplexer in the output signal path. To remove the diplexer from the signal path, move the two 0 Ω chip resistors R18 and R10 to locations R11 and R20. A schematic of the evaluation board is provided in Figure 13.

**Overshoot on PC Printer Ports**
The data lines on some PC parallel printer ports have excessive overshoot that may cause communications problems when presented to the CLK pin of the AD8322 (TP5 on the evaluation board). The evaluation board was designed to accommodate a series resistor and shunt capacitor (R1 and C15) to filter the CLK signal if required.

**Transformer and Diplexer**
A 1:1 transformer is needed to couple the differential outputs of the AD8322 to the cable while maintaining a proper impedance match. The specified transformer is available from TOKO (Part # 617DB-A0070), however, MA/COM part # ETC-1-1T-15 can also be used. The evaluation board is equipped with the TOKO transformer, but is also designed to accept the MA/COM transformer. The PULSE diplexer included on the evaluation board provides a high-order low-pass filter function, typically used in the upstream path. The ability of the PULSE diplexer to achieve DOCSIS compliance is neither expressed nor implied by Analog Devices Inc. Data on the diplexer should be obtained from PULSE.

**Differential Inputs**
The AD8322-EVAL evaluation board is designed to accommodate a Mini-Circuits T1-6T-KK81 1:1 transformer for the purpose of converting a single-ended (ground referenced) input signal to differential inputs. Figure 8 and the following paragraphs identify three options for providing differential input signals to the AD8322 evaluation board.

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**Single-Ended-to-Differential Input (Figure 8 Option 1)**

Install the Mini-Circuits T1-6T-KK81 1:1 transformer in the T1 location of the evaluation board. Install 0 Ω chip resistors in R12, R13, and R17, and leave R14, R16, and R19 open. For 75 Ω input impedance, install a 110 Ω resistor in R7 located on the back side of the evaluation board and leave R5 and R6 open. In this configuration the input signal must be applied to the $V_{IN+}$ port of the evaluation board from a single-ended 75 Ω signal source. For input impedances other than 75 Ω, use the following equation to compute the correct value for R7.

$$Desired\ Input\ Impedance = R7\|235$$

**Single-Ended-to-Differential Input (Figure 8 Option 2)**

Install the Mini-Circuits T1-6T-KK81 1:1 transformer in the T1 location of the evaluation board. Install 0 Ω chip resistors in R12, R13, R17, and R19, and leave R14 and R16 open. For 75 Ω input impedance, install 55 Ω resistors in R5 and R6 located on the back side of the evaluation board and leave R7 open. In this configuration the input signal must be applied to the $V_{IN+}$ port of the evaluation board from a single-ended 75 Ω signal source. For input impedances other than 75 Ω, use the following equation to compute the correct values for R5 and R6.

$$R5 = R6 = R,\ Desired\ Input\ Impedance = 2 \times (R\|117.5)$$

**Differential Input (Figure 8 Option 3)**

If a differential signal source is available, it may be applied directly to both the $V_{IN+}$ and $V_{IN-}$ input ports of the evaluation board. In this case, install 0 Ω chip resistors in R8, R14, R15, and R16, and leave R12, R13, and R19 open. Referring to Figure 8 Option 3 and the AD8322 evaluation board, a differential input impedance of 150 Ω can be achieved by installing a 432 Ω resistor in R7, leaving R5 and R6 open. If another input impedance is desired, the following equation can be used to compute the correct value for R7.
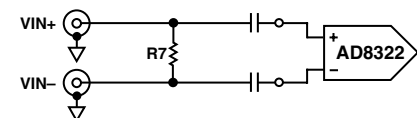
$$Desired\ Input\ Impedance = R7\|235$$
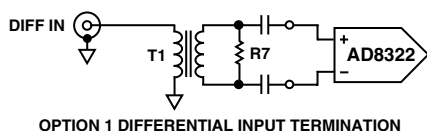


OPTION 1 DIFFERENTIAL INPUT TERMINATION
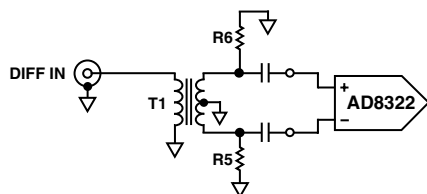


OPTION 2 DIFFERENTIAL INPUT TERMINATION



OPTION 3 DIFFERENTIAL INPUT TERMINATION

*Figure 8. Differential Input Termination Options*

**Installing the Visual Basic Control Software**

To install the "CABDRIVE_22" evaluation board control software, first close all Windows applications and run "SETUP.EXE" located on Disk 1 of the AD8322 Evaluation Software. Follow the on-screen instructions and insert Disk 2 when prompted to do so. Enter the path of the directory into which the software will be installed and select the button in the upper left corner to complete the installation.

**Running the Software**

To invoke the control software, go to START -> PROGRAMS -> CABDRIVE_22, or select the AD8322.EXE icon from the directory containing the software.

**Controlling the Gain/Attenuation of the AD8322**

The slide bar controls the AD8322's gain/attenuation, which is displayed in dB and in V/V. Although the AD8322 is designed for use at the eight gain codes described in the SPI Programming and Gain Adjustment section, all of the intermediate codes are included in the software. Code 0 is also included because of the high isolation it provides. The gain code (i.e., position of the slide bar) is displayed in decimal, binary, and hexadecimal (see Figure 9).

**POWER-UP AND POWER-DOWN**

The "Power-Up" and "Power-Down" buttons select the mode of operation of the AD8322 by controlling the logic level on the asynchronous $\overline{PD}$ pin. The "Power-Up" button applies a Logic 1 to the $\overline{PD}$ pin putting the AD8322 in forward transmit mode. The "Power-Down" button applies a Logic 0 to the $\overline{PD}$ pin selecting reverse mode, where the forward signal transmission is disabled while a back termination of 75 Ω is maintained.

**Memory Section**

The "MEMORY" section of the software provides a convenient way to alternate between two gain settings. The "X->M1" button stores the current value of the gain slide bar into memory while the "RM1" button recalls the stored value, returning the gain slide bar to that level. The "X->M2" and "RM2" buttons work in the same manner.
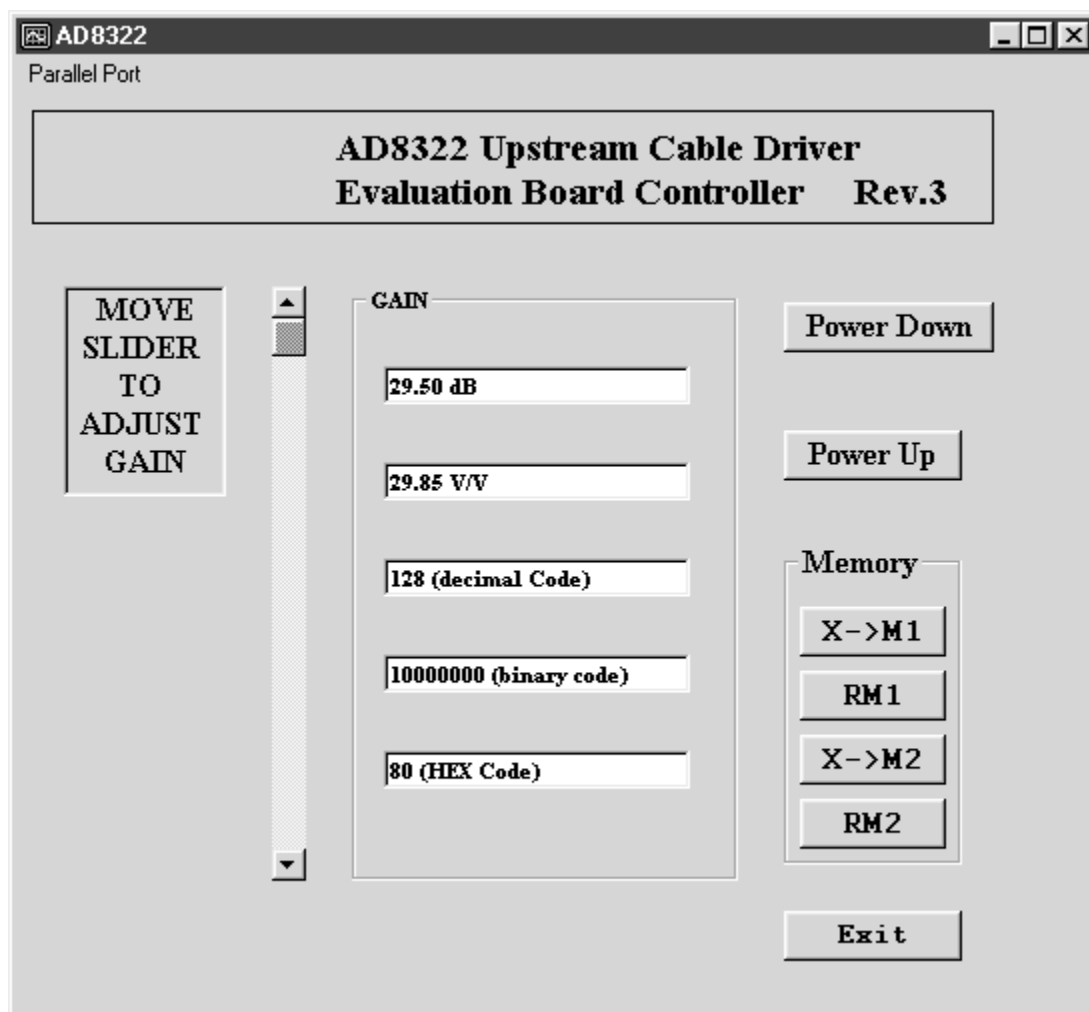
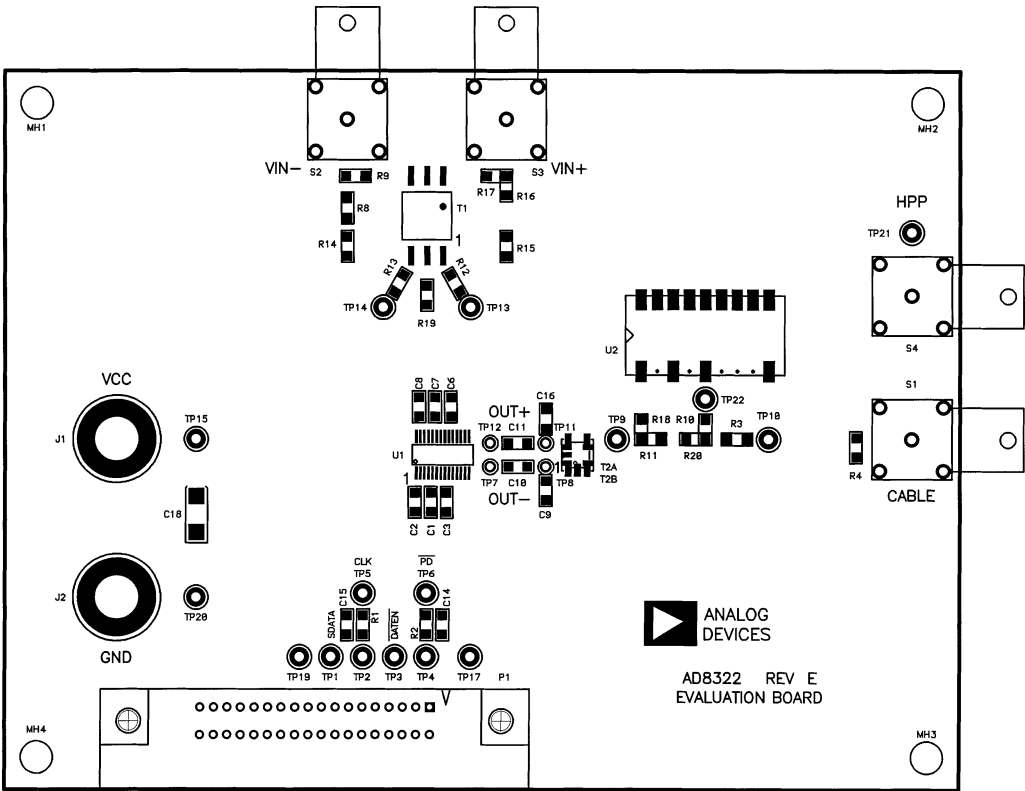Figure 9. Screen Display of Windows-Based Control Software

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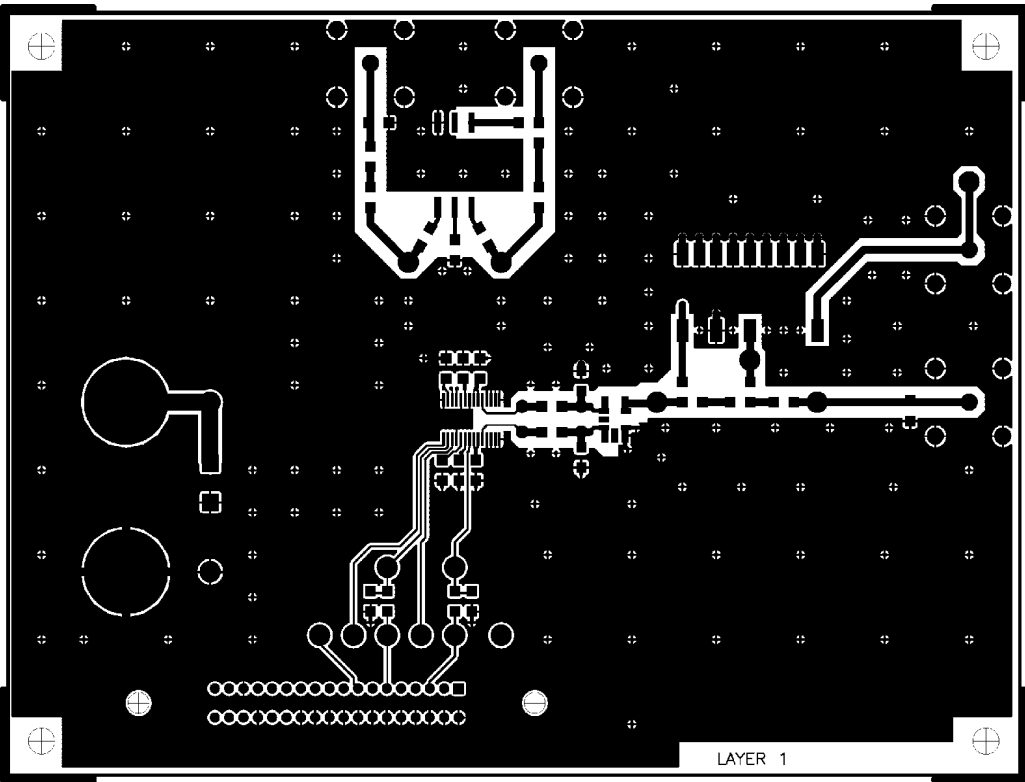*Figure 10. Evaluation Board—Assembly (Component Side)*



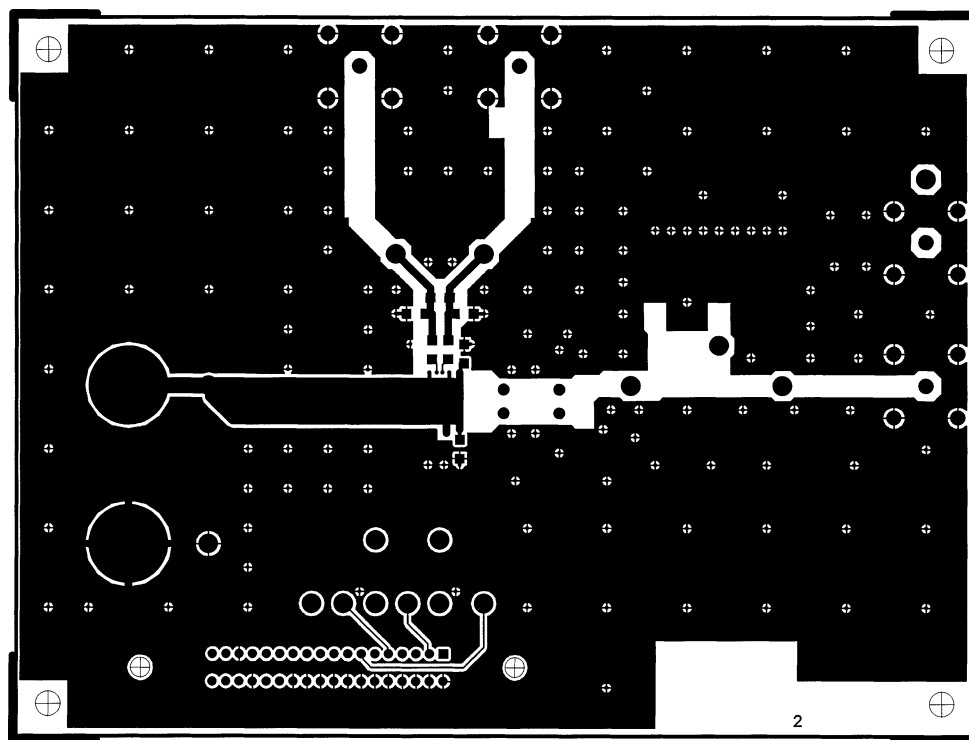*Figure 11. Evaluation Board Layout (Component Side)*
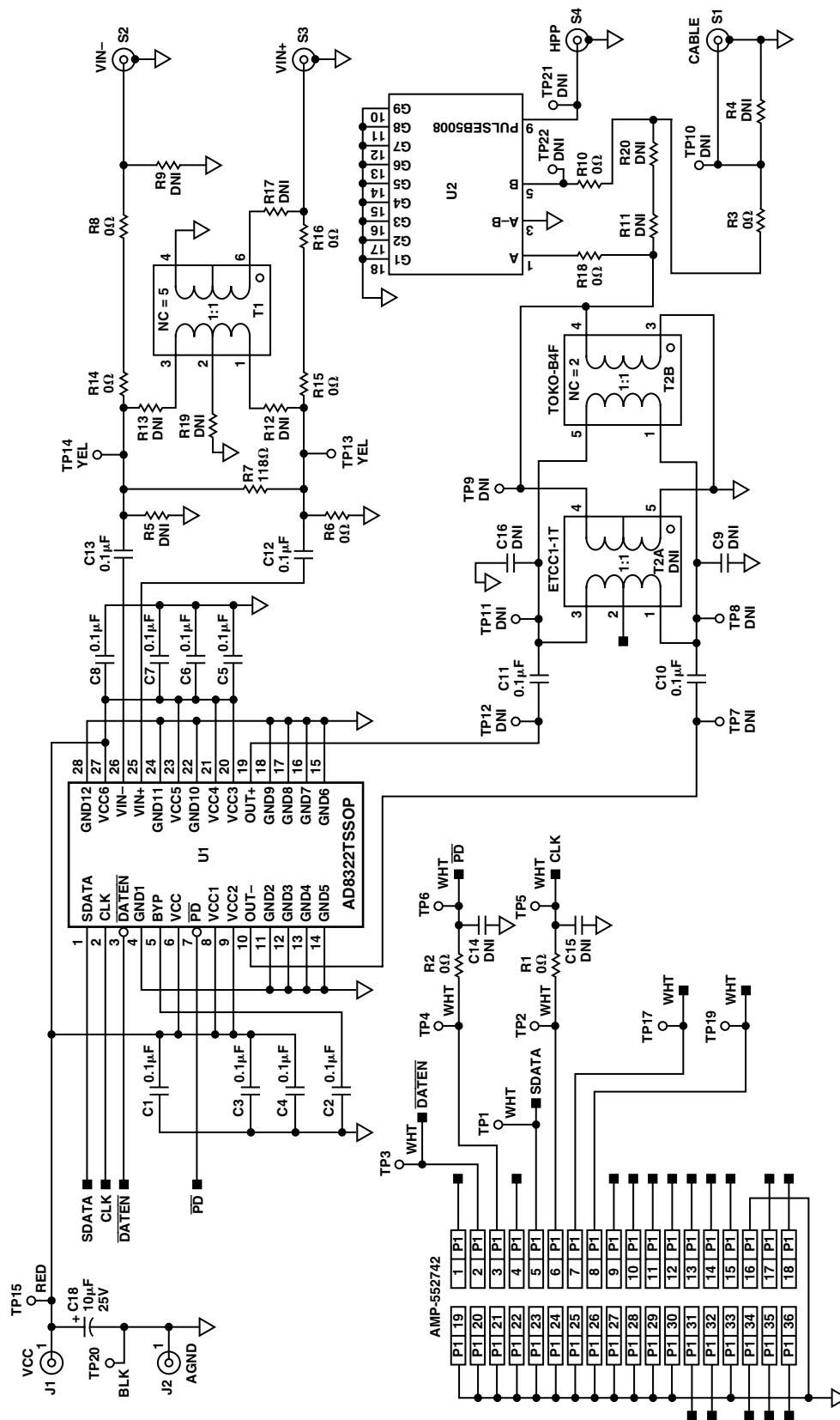
Figure 12. Evaluation Board—Solder Side

*Figure 13. Evaluation Board Schematic*

**EVALUATION BOARD BILL OF MATERIALS**

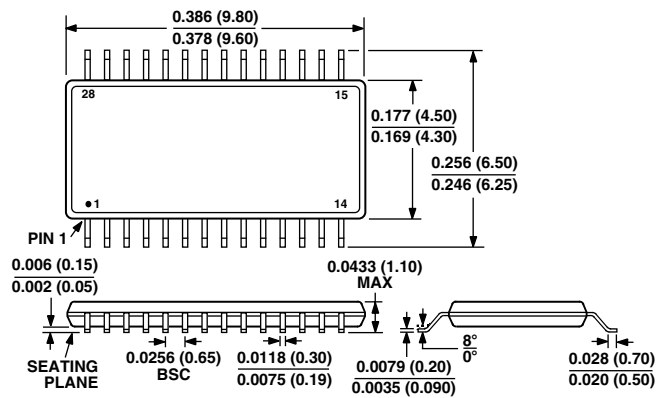AD8322 Evaluation Board Rev. DC SINGLE-ENDED INVERTING INPUT – Revised – June 22, 2000

| Qty. | Description | Vendor | Ref Desc. |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 10 μF 16 V. 'C' size tantalum chip capacitor | ADS# 4-7-6 | C18 |
| 12 | 0.1 μF 50 V. 1206 size ceramic chip capacitor | ADS# 4-5-18 | C1–8, 10–13 |
| 10 | 0 Ω 1/8 W. 1206 size chip resistor | ADS# 3-18-88 | R1, 2, 3, 6, 8, 10, 14–16, 18 |
| 1 | 118 Ω 1% 1/8 W. 1206 size chip resistor | ADS# 3-18-106 | R7 |
| 8 | White Test Point (CLK, $\overline{PD}$, CP, SDATA, $\overline{DATEN}$) | ADS# 12-18-42 | TP1–6, 17, 19 |
| 1 | Black Test Point (GND) | ADS# 12-18-44 | TP20 |
| 1 | Red Test Point (VCC) | ADS# 12-18-43 | TP15 |
| 2 | Yellow Test Point (+/- INPUT) | ADS# 12-18-32 | TP13 & TP14 |
| 4 | 75 Ω right-angle BNC Telegartner # J01003A1949 | ADS# 12-6-28 | S1–4 (INPUT, OUTPUT) |
| 1 | Centronics type 36-pin Right-Angle female connector | ADS# 12-3-50 | P1 |
| 2 | 5-way Metal Binding Post | ADS# 12-7-7 | J1, 2 (VCC, GND) |
| 1 | TOKO # 617 DB-A0070 transformer | Toko # 617DB-A0070 | T2B |
| 1 | Diplexer PULSE* | PULSE | U2 |
| 1 | AD8322 (TSSOP) | ADS# AD8322 | D.U.T. (U1) |
| 1 | AD8322 REV. E Evaluation PC board | D.S.C. | Evaluation PC board |
| 4 | #4 – 40 × 1/4 inch ss panhead machine screw | ADS# 30-1-1 | |
| 4 | #4 – 40 × 3/4 inch long aluminum round stand-off | ADS# 30-16-3 | |
| 2 | # 2 – 56 × 3/8 inch ss panhead machine screw | ADS# 30-1-17 | (p1 hardware) |
| 2 | # 2 steel flat washer | ADS# 30-6-6 | (p1 hardware) |
| 2 | # 2 steel internal tooth lockwasher | ADS# 30-5-2 | (p1 hardware) |
| 2 | # 2 ss hex. machine nut | ADS# 30-7-6 | (p1 hardware) |

DO NOT INSTALL C9, C14–C16, TP7–TP12, TP21, TP22, R4, R5, R9, R11–R13, R17, R19, R20, T1, T2A.
*PULSE Diplexer Part #'s B5008 (42 MHz), CX6002 (42 MHz), B5009 (65 MHz).

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## OUTLINE DIMENSIONS

Dimensions shown in inches and (mm).

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