

**Dual Matched Low Noise
Precision Op Amp
and Dual High Speed Low Noise
Precision Op Amp**

FEATURES

- Guaranteed 80 μ V Max. V_{os}
- Guaranteed 6.0nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ 10Hz Voltage Noise Density
- Guaranteed 3.9nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ 1kHz Voltage Noise Density
- Guaranteed 1 μ V/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ Max. V_{os} Drift
- Guaranteed 1 Million Min. Voltage Gain
- Guaranteed Matching Characteristics
- Guaranteed 10V/ μ s Min. Slew Rate (OP-237)

APPLICATIONS

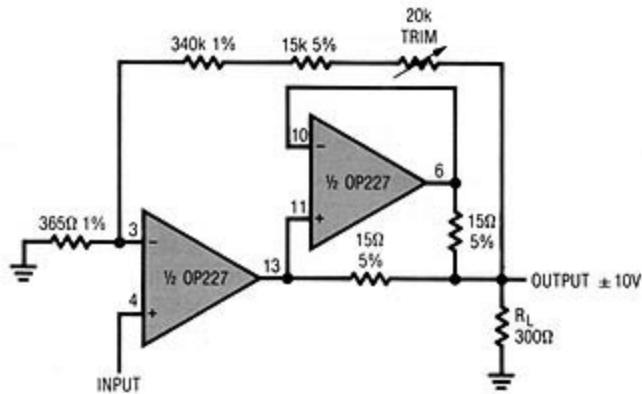
- Instrumentation Amplifiers
- Low Level Signal Processing
- Low Noise Audio Amplifiers
- Strain Gauge Amplifiers

DESCRIPTION

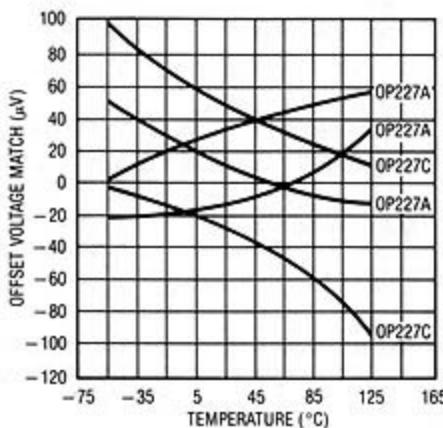
The OP-227 is a dual matched precision op amp which combines low offset, low noise, and high gain with excellent matching characteristics. Typical individual amplifier specifications of 20 μ V V_{os}, 0.2 μ V/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$ drift, 10nA I_B and 2.8nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ 10Hz noise voltage density make the OP-227 an impressive performer in terms of single amplifiers. Matching characteristics are specified with guaranteed limits on all critical parameters including V_{os}, V_{os} drift, I_BIAS and CMRR (see the Features section), which make the OP-227 an ideal choice for two and three op amp instrumentation amplifier applications.

The OP-237 offers DC specifications identical to the OP-227 and is decompensated for higher speed operation at inverting gains greater than 5.

Precision Amplifier Drives 300 Ω Load to $\pm 10\text{V}$
with 0.05% Accuracy



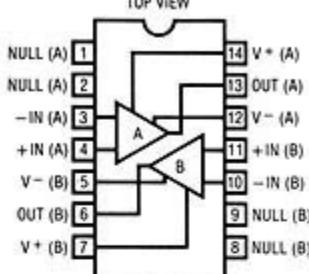
Matching Characteristic;
Drift of Offset Voltage Match
of Representative Units



ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Supply Voltage (Note 9)	$\pm 22V$
Internal Power Dissipation	500mW
Input Voltage	Equal to Supply Voltage
Output Short-Circuit Duration	Indefinite
Differential Input Current (Note 8)	$\pm 25mA$
Storage Temperature Range	-65°C to +150°C
Operating Temperature	
OP-227A/237A/227C/237C ..	-55°C to +125°C
OP-227E/237E/227G/237G ..	-25°C to +85°C
Lead Temperature Range (Soldering, 10 sec.) ..	300°C

PACKAGE/ORDER INFORMATION

TOP VIEW	ORDER PART NUMBER
	
J PACKAGE 14 PIN HERMETIC	OP-227AJ OP-237AJ
N PACKAGE 14 PIN PLASTIC	OP-227CJ OP-237CJ
	OP-227EJ OP-237EJ
	OP-227GJ OP-237GJ
	OP-227EN OP-237EN
	OP-227GN OP-237GN

NOTE: DEVICE MAY BE OPERATED EVEN IF INSERTION IS REVERSED; THIS IS DUE TO INHERENT SYMMETRY OF PIN LOCATIONS OF AMPLIFIERS A AND B (NOTE 9).

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS Individual Amplifiers $V_S = \pm 15V$, $T_A = 25^\circ C$, unless otherwise noted

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	OP-227A, E OP-237A, E			OP-227C, G OP-237C, G			UNITS
			MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	TYP	MAX	
V_{OS}	Input Offset Voltage	(Note 1)	—	20	80	—	60	180	μV
$\frac{\Delta V_{OS}}{\Delta \text{Time}}$	Long Term V_{OS} Stability	(Notes 2, 3)	—	0.2	1.0	—	0.2	2.0	$\mu V/\text{Mo}$
I_{OS}	Input Offset Current		—	7	35	—	12	75	nA
I_B	Input Bias Current		—	± 10	± 40	—	± 15	± 80	nA
e_{npp}	Input Noise Voltage	0.1Hz to 10Hz (Notes 3, 5)	—	0.06	0.20	—	0.06	0.28	$\mu V_{\text{p-p}}$
e_n	Input Noise Voltage Density	$f_0 = 10\text{Hz}$ (Note 3) $f_0 = 30\text{Hz}$ (Note 3) $f_0 = 1000\text{Hz}$ (Note 3)	—	2.8	6.0	—	2.8	9.0	$\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
i_n	Input Noise Current Density	$f_0 = 10\text{Hz}$ (Notes 3, 6) $f_0 = 30\text{Hz}$ (Notes 3, 6) $f_0 = 1000\text{Hz}$ (Notes 3, 6)	—	1.5	4.5	—	1.5	—	$\text{pA}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
			—	1.0	2.5	—	1.0	—	$\text{pA}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
			—	0.4	0.7	—	0.4	0.7	$\text{pA}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
	Input Resistance—Common Mode		—	7	—	—	5	—	$\text{G}\Omega$
	Input Voltage Range		± 11.0	± 12.5	—	± 11.0	± 12.5	—	V
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection Ratio	$V_{CM} = \pm 11V$	114	126	—	100	126	—	dB
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection Ratio	$V_S = \pm 4V$ to $\pm 18V$	—	1	10	—	2	20	$\mu V/V$
A_{VOL}	Large-Signal Voltage Gain	$R_L \geq 2k\Omega$, $V_0 = \pm 12V$ $R_L \geq 600\Omega$, $V_0 = \pm 10V$	3 1	20 12	— —	2 0.8	20 12	— —	$\text{V}/\mu V$ $\text{V}/\mu V$
V_{OUT}	Output Voltage Swing	$R_L \geq 2k\Omega$ $R_L \geq 600\Omega$	± 12.0 ± 10.0	± 13.8 ± 12.5	— —	± 11.5 ± 10.0	± 13.5 ± 12.5	— —	V V
SR	Slew Rate	OP-227 OP-237	$R_L \geq 2k\Omega$ $A_{VCL} \geq 5$	1.7 10	2.8 15	— —	1.7 10	2.8 15	$\text{V}/\mu s$ $\text{V}/\mu s$
GBW	Gain Bandwidth Prod.	OP-227 OP-237 OP-237	$f_0 = 100\text{kHz}$ (Note 4) $f_0 = 10\text{kHz}$ (Note 4) $f_0 = 1\text{MHz}$ ($A_{VCL} \geq 5$)	5 35 —	8 63 40	— — —	5 35 —	8 63 40	MHz MHz MHz
Z_0	Open-Loop Output Resistance	$V_0 = 0$, $I_0 = 0$	—	70	—	—	70	—	Ω
P_d	Power Consumption	Each Amplifier	—	80	140	—	90	170	mW
	Offset Adjustment Range	$R_p = 10k\Omega$	—	± 4	—	—	± 4	—	mV

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SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	OP-227E OP-237E			OP-227G OP-237G			UNITS	
			MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	TYP	MAX		
V_{OS}	Input Offset Voltage	(Note 1)	●	—	40	140	—	85	280	μV
ΔV_{OS}	Average Input Offset Drift	(Note 7)	●	—	0.2	1.0	—	0.3	1.8	$\mu V/^\circ C$
I_{OS}	Input Offset Current		●	—	15	50	—	20	135	nA
I_B	Input Bias Current		●	—	± 20	± 60	—	± 35	± 150	nA
	Input Voltage Range		●	± 10.5	± 11.5	—	± 10.5	± 11.5	—	V
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection Ratio	$V_{CM} = \pm 10V$	●	110	124	—	96	118	—	dB
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection Ratio	$V_S = \pm 4.5V$ to $\pm 18V$	●	—	2	15	—	2	32	$\mu V/V$
A_{VOL}	Large Signal Voltage Gain	$R_L \geq 2k\Omega, V_0 = \pm 10V$	●	1	14	—	0.8	14	—	$V/\mu V$
V_{OUT}	Output Voltage Swing	$R_L \geq 2k\Omega$	●	± 11.7	± 13.6	—	± 11.0	± 13.3	—	V

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS Individual Amplifiers $V_S = \pm 15V, -55^\circ C \leq T_A \leq 125^\circ C$, unless otherwise noted

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	OP-227A OP-237A			OP-227C OP-237C			UNITS	
			MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	TYP	MAX		
V_{OS}	Input Offset Voltage	(Note 1)	●	—	60	180	—	110	350	μV
ΔV_{OS}	Average Input Offset Drift	(Note 7)	●	—	0.2	1.0	—	0.3	1.8	$\mu V/^\circ C$
I_{OS}	Input Offset Current		●	—	15	50	—	30	135	nA
I_B	Input Bias Current		●	—	± 20	± 60	—	± 35	± 150	nA
	Input Voltage Range		●	± 10.5	± 11.8	—	± 10.2	± 11.8	—	V
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection Ratio	$V_{CM} = \pm 10V$	●	108	122	—	94	116	—	dB
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection Ratio	$V_S = \pm 4.5V$ to $\pm 18V$	●	—	2	16	—	4	51	$\mu V/V$
A_{VOL}	Large Signal Voltage Gain	$R_L \geq 2k\Omega, V_0 = \pm 10V$	●	1	14	—	0.8	14	—	V
V_{OUT}	Output Voltage Swing	$R_L \geq 2k\Omega$	●	± 11.5	± 13.5	—	± 10.5	± 13.0	—	V

The ● denotes the specifications which apply over the full operating temperature range.

For MIL-STD components, please refer to LTC 883C data sheet for test listing and parameters.

Note 1: Input offset voltage measurements are performed by automated test equipment approximately 0.5 seconds after application of power.

Note 2: Long-Term Input Offset Voltage Stability refers to the average trend line of V_{OS} vs Time over extended periods after the first 30 days of operation.

Note 3: Sample tested.

Note 4: Parameter is guaranteed by design.

Note 5: See test circuit and frequency response curve for 0.1Hz to 10Hz tester.

Note 6: See test circuit for current noise measurement.

Note 7: The input offset drift performance is within the specifications un-nulled or when nulled with $R_P = 8k\Omega$ to $20k\Omega$.

Note 8: The inputs are protected by back-to-back diodes. Current limiting resistors are not used in order to achieve low noise. If differential input voltage exceeds $\pm 0.7V$, the input current should be limited to 25mA.

Note 9: The V^+ supply terminals are completely independent and may be powered by separate supplies if desired (this approach, however, would sacrifice the advantages of the power supply rejection ratio matching). The V^- supply terminals are both connected to the common substrate and must be tied to the same voltage. Both V^- pins should be used.

MATCHING CHARACTERISTICSSee notes on page 3.
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			MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	TYP	MAX	
ΔV_{OS}	Input Offset Voltage Match		—	25	80	—	55	300	μV
I_B^+	Average Non-Inverting Bias Current		—	± 10	± 40	—	± 15	± 90	nA
I_{OS}^+	Non-Inverting Offset Current		—	± 12	± 60	—	± 20	± 130	nA
I_{OS}^-	Inverting Offset Current		—	± 12	± 60	—	± 20	± 130	nA
$\Delta CMRR$	Common Mode Rejection Ratio Match	$V_{CM} = \pm 11V$	110	123	—	97	117	—	dB
$\Delta PSRR$	Power Supply Rejection Ratio Match	$V_S = \pm 4V$ to $\pm 18V$	—	2	10	—	2	20	$\mu V/V$
	Channel Separation	(Note 4)	126	154	—	126	154	—	dB
ΔA_{VOL}	Gain Match	$f_0 = 100\text{kHz}$ (Note 4) $R_L \geq 2k\Omega$, $V_O = \pm 10V$	—	1.5	6.0	—	2.0	9.0	%

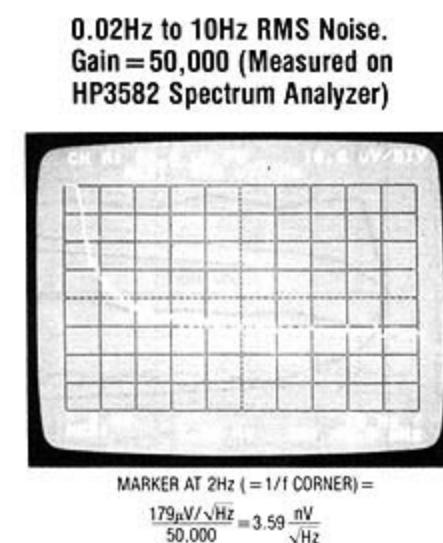
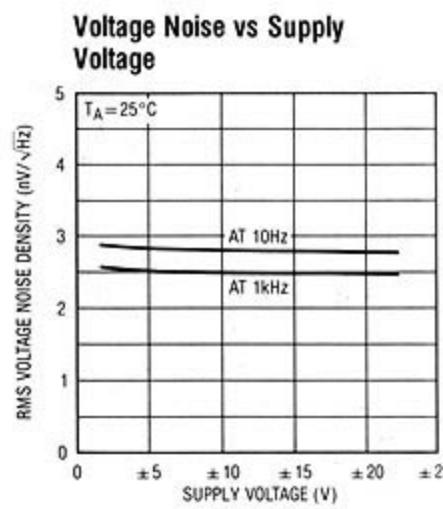
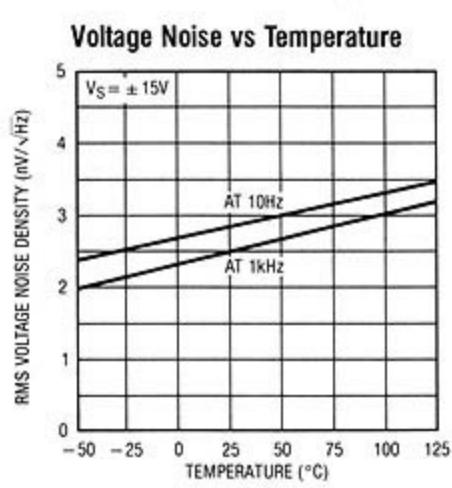
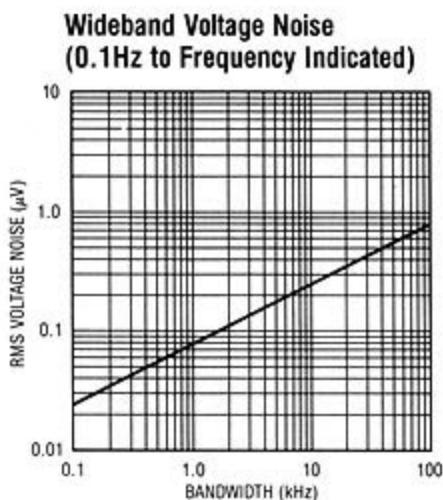
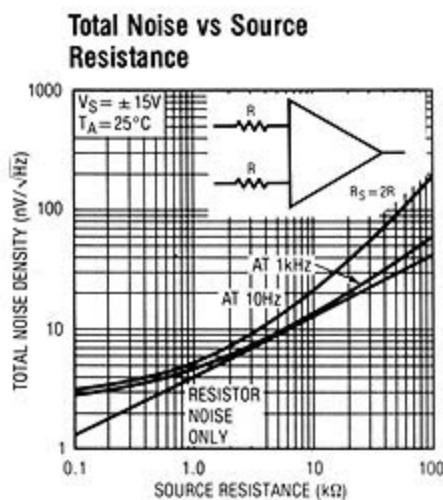
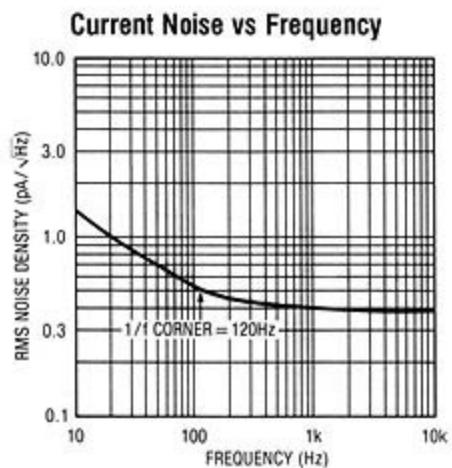
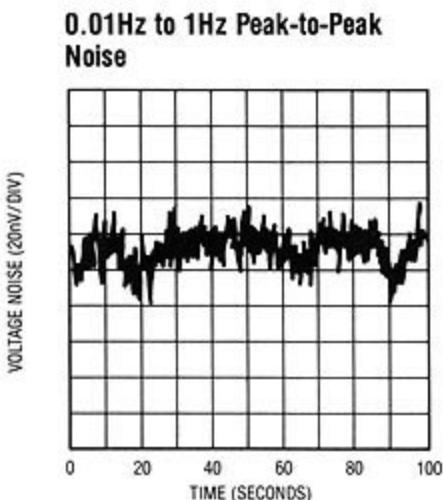
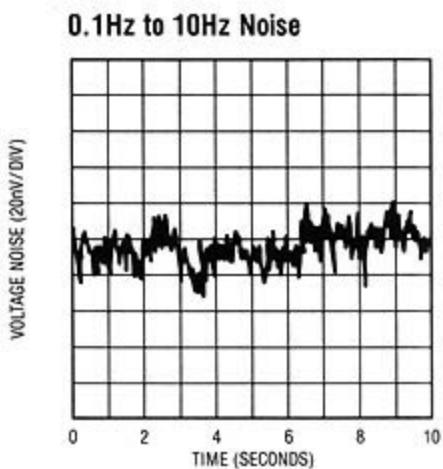
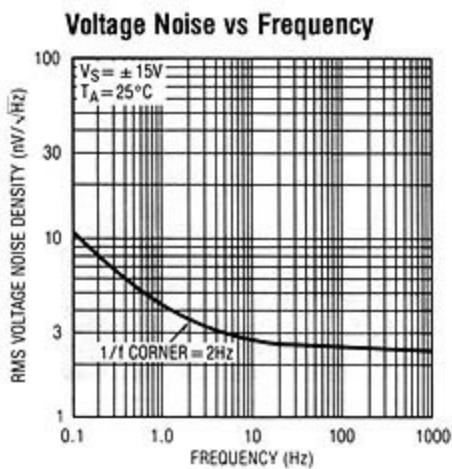
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SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	OP-227A, OP-237A			OP-227C, OP-237C			UNITS	
			MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	TYP	MAX		
ΔV_{OS}	Input Offset Voltage Match	●	—	55	180	—	100	480	μV	
ΔV_{OS}	Input Offset Voltage Tracking	(Note 7)	●	—	0.3	1.0	—	0.5	1.8	$\mu V/^\circ C$
ΔT_{Temp}	Average Non-Inverting Bias Current	●	—	± 20	± 60	—	± 35	± 170	nA	
ΔI_B^+	Average Drift of Non-Inverting Bias Current	●	—	100	—	—	200	—	pA/°C	
I_{OS}^+	Non-Inverting Offset Current	●	—	± 25	± 90	—	± 45	± 250	nA	
ΔI_{OS}^+	Average Drift of Non-Inverting Offset Current	●	—	130	—	—	250	—	pA/°C	
I_{OS}^-	Inverting Offset Current	●	—	± 25	± 90	—	± 45	± 250	nA	
$\Delta CMRR$	Common Mode Rejection Ratio Match	$V_{CM} = \pm 10V$	●	105	118	—	90	110	—	dB
$\Delta PSRR$	Power Supply Rejection Ratio Match	$V_S = \pm 4.5V$ to $\pm 18V$	●	—	2	16	—	4	51	$\mu V/V$

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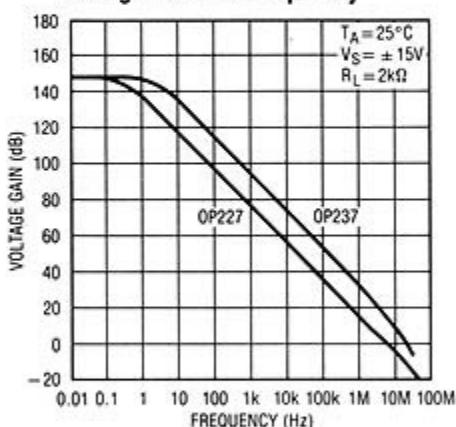
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$T_C \Delta V_{OS}$	Input Offset Voltage Tracking	(Note 7)	●	—	0.3	1.0	—	0.5	1.8	$\mu V/^\circ C$
I_B^+	Average Non-Inverting Bias Current	●	—	± 14	± 60	—	± 25	± 170	nA	
ΔI_B^+	Average Drift of Non-Inverting Bias Current	●	—	80	—	—	180	—	pA/°C	
I_{OS}^+	Non-Inverting Offset Current	●	—	± 20	± 90	—	± 35	± 250	nA	
ΔI_{OS}^+	Average Drift of Non-Inverting Offset Current	●	—	130	—	—	250	—	pA/°C	
I_{OS}^-	Inverting Offset Current	●	—	± 20	± 90	—	± 35	± 250	nA	
$\Delta CMRR$	Common Mode Rejection Ratio Match	$V_{CM} = \pm 10V$	●	106	120	—	90	112	—	dB
$\Delta PSRR$	Power Supply Rejection Ratio Match	$V_S = \pm 4.5V$ to $\pm 18V$	●	—	2	15	—	3	32	$\mu V/V$

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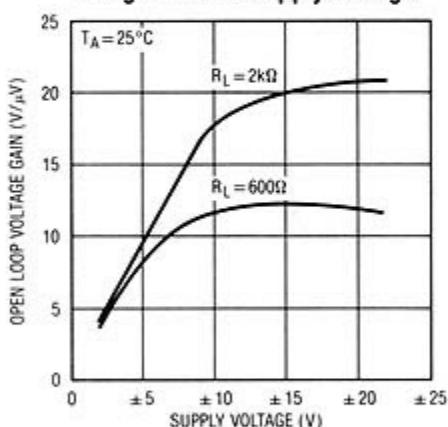
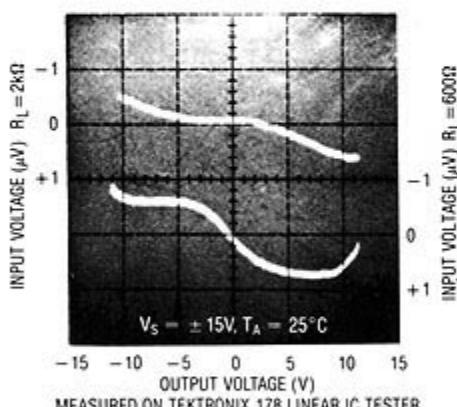


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Voltage Gain vs Frequency

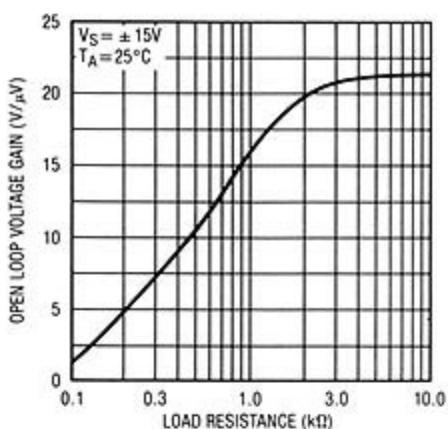


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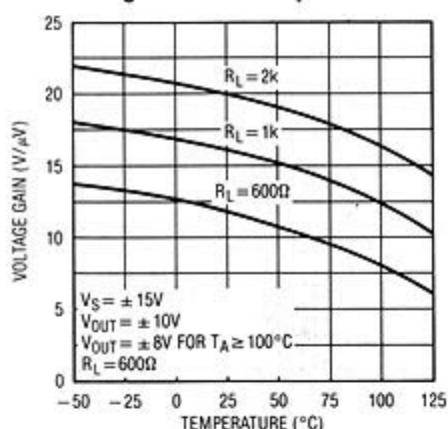
Voltage Gain, $R_L = 2k$ and 600Ω 

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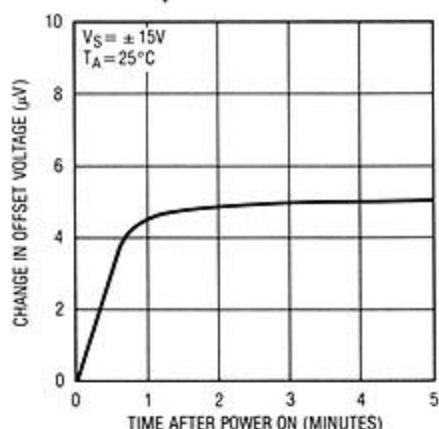
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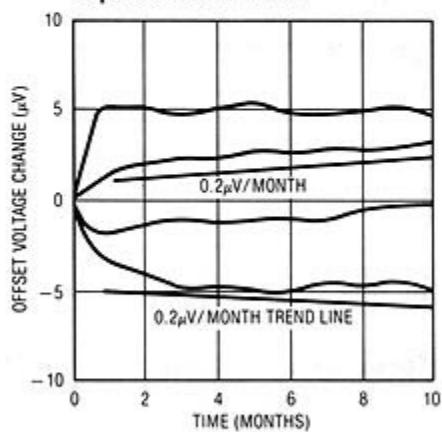
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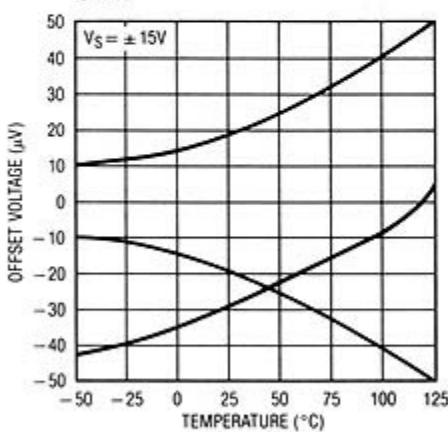
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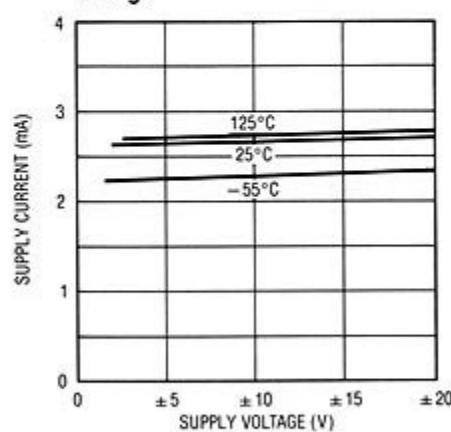
Long Term Stability of Four Representative Units



Offset Voltage Drift with Temperature of Representative Units

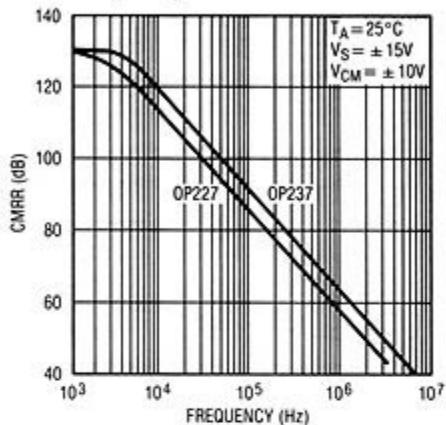


Supply Current vs Supply Voltage

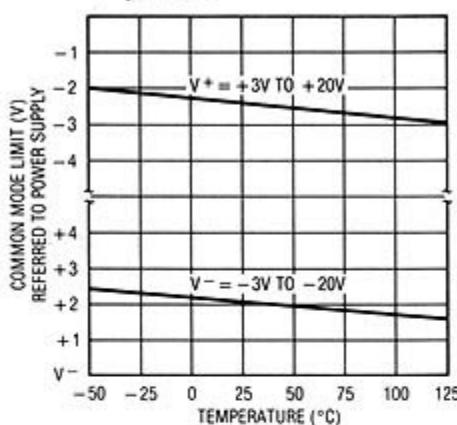


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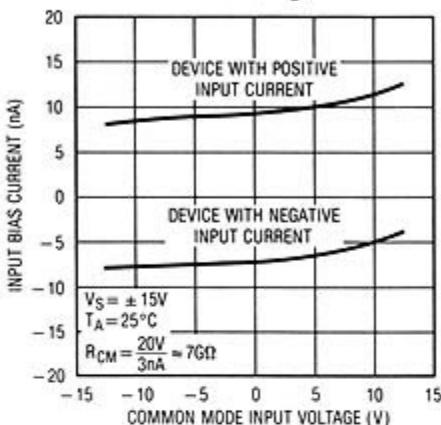
Common Mode Rejection vs Frequency



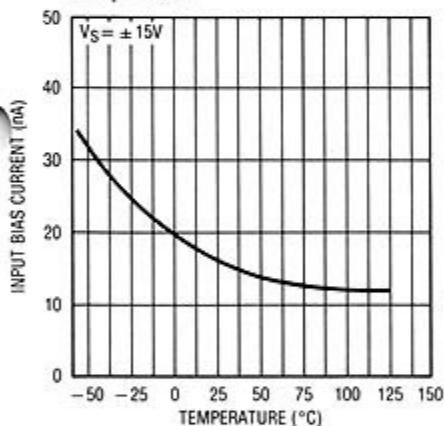
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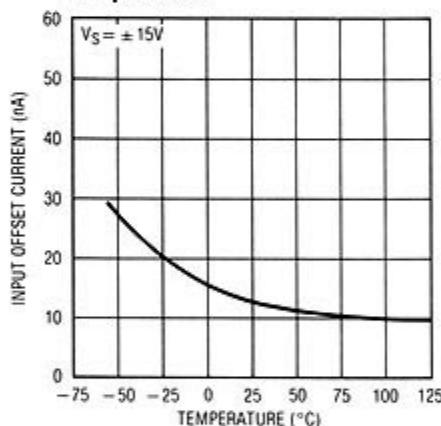
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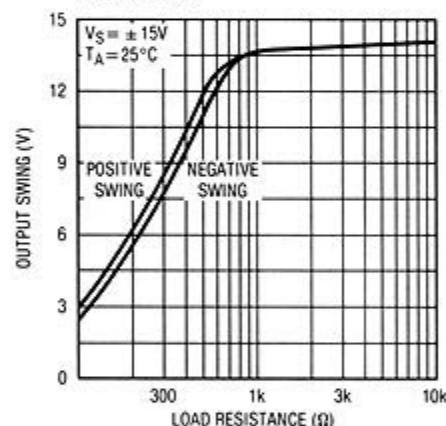
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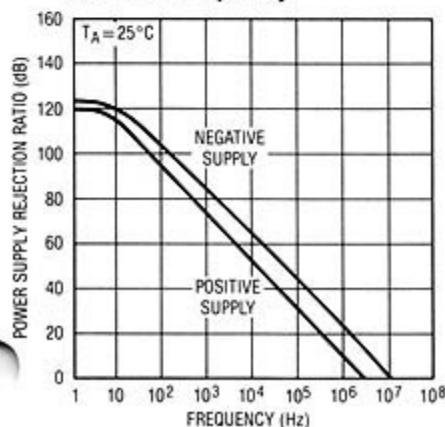
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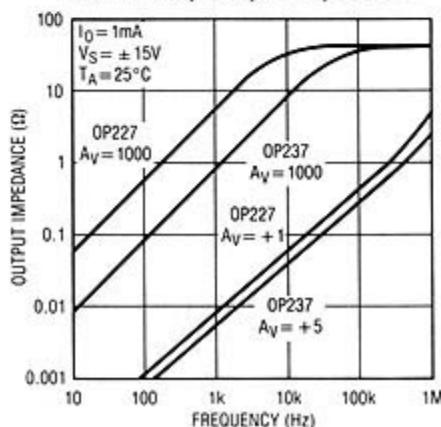
Output Swing vs Load Resistance



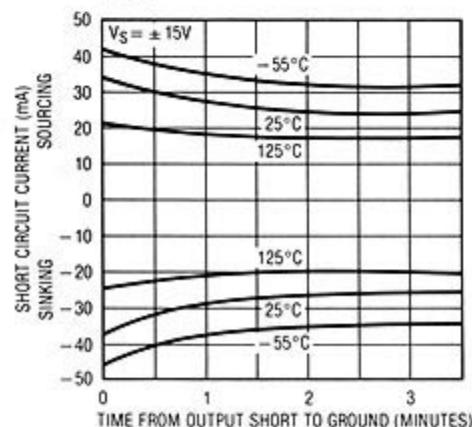
PSRR vs Frequency



Closed Loop Output Impedance



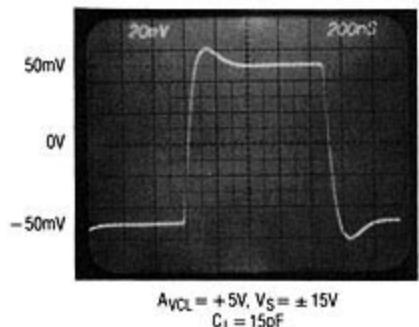
Output Short Circuit Current vs Time



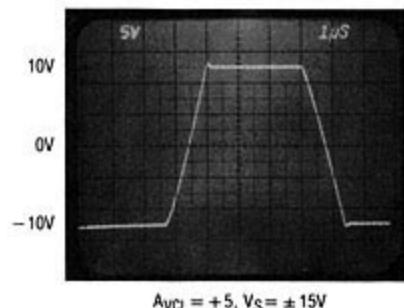
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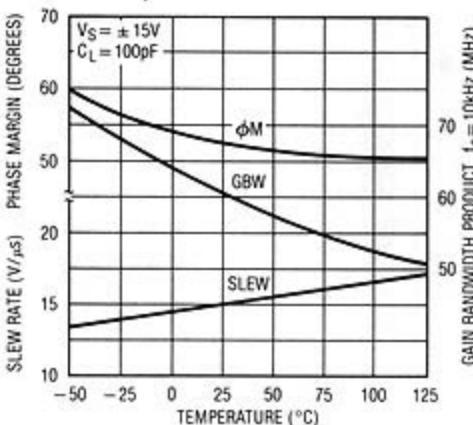
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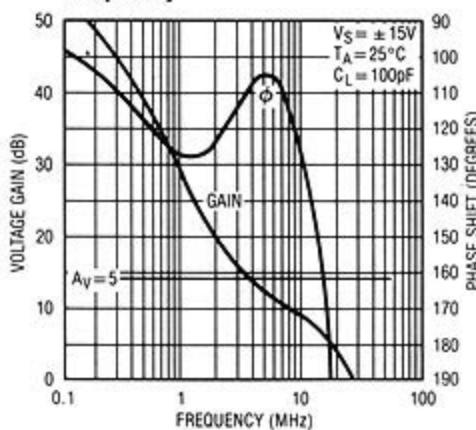
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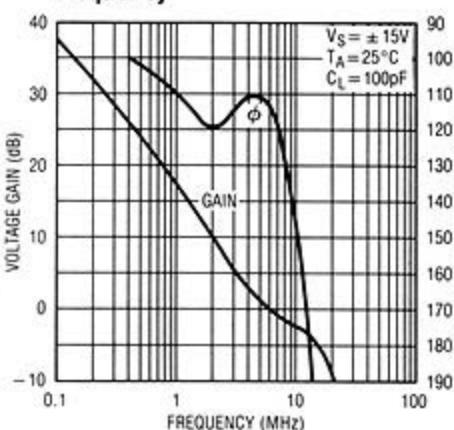
OP-237 Phase Margin, Gain Bandwidth Product, Slew Rate vs Temperature



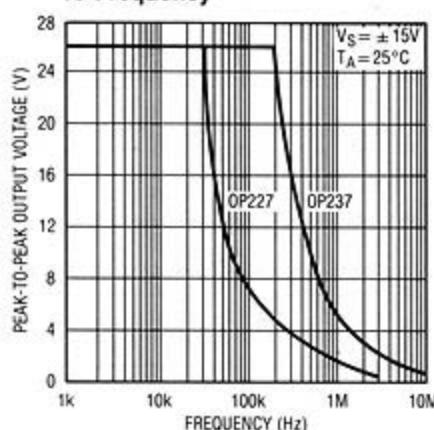
OP-237 Gain, Phase Shift vs Frequency



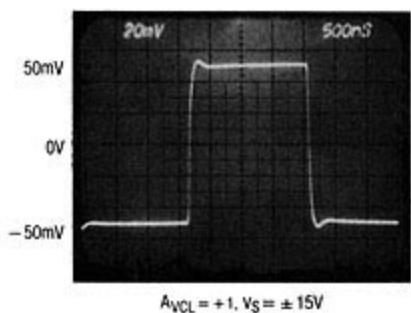
OP-227 Gain, Phase Shift vs Frequency



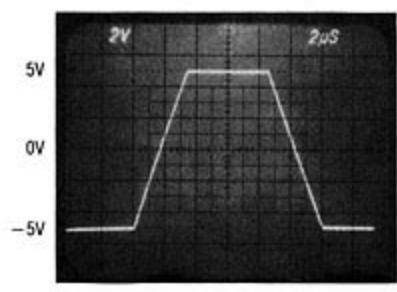
Maximum Undistorted Output vs Frequency



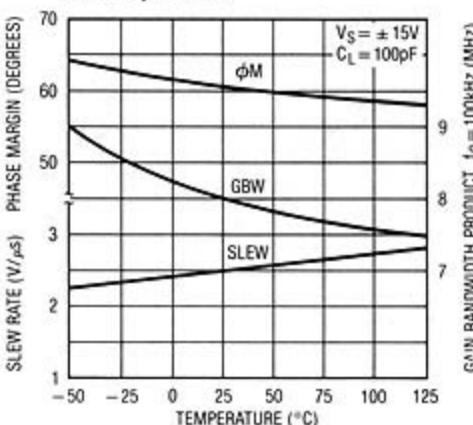
OP-227 Small Signal Transient Response



OP-227 Large Signal Response



OP-227 Phase Margin, Gain Bandwidth Product, Slew Rate vs Temperature



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Noise Testing

The 0.1Hz to 10Hz peak-to-peak noise of the OP-227/OP-237 is measured in the test circuit shown. The frequency response of this noise tester indicates that the 0.1Hz corner is defined by only one zero. The test time to measure 0.1Hz to 10Hz noise should not exceed 10 seconds, as this time limit acts as an additional zero to eliminate noise contributions from the frequency band below 0.1Hz.

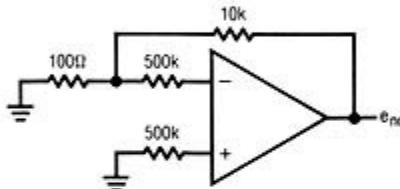
Measuring the typical 60nV peak-to-peak noise performance of the OP-227/OP-237 requires special test precautions:

- The device should be warmed up for at least five minutes. As the op amp warms up, its offset voltage changes typically $3\mu V$ due to its chip temperature increasing $10^{\circ}C$ to $20^{\circ}C$ from the moment the power supplies are turned on. In the 10 second measurement interval these temperature-induced effects can easily exceed tens of nanovolts.
- For similar reasons, the device must be well shielded from air currents to eliminate the possibility of thermoelectric effects in excess of a few nanovolts, which would invalidate the measurements.
- Sudden motion in the vicinity of the device can also "feed through" to increase the observed noise.

A noise-voltage density test is recommended when measuring noise on a large number of units. A 10Hz noise voltage density measurement will correlate well with a 0.1Hz to 10Hz peak-to-peak noise reading since both results are determined by the white noise and the location of the $1/f$ corner frequency.

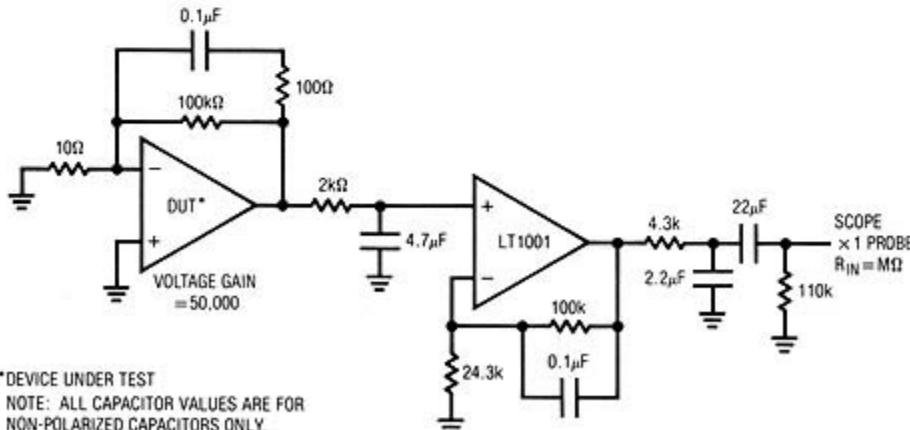
Current noise is measured in the circuit shown and calculated by the following formula:

$$i_n = \frac{[e^2 n_o - (130\text{nV})^2]^{1/2}}{1\text{M}\Omega \times 100}$$

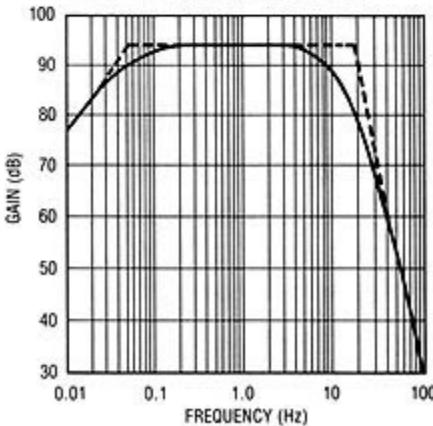


The OP-227/OP-237 achieves its low noise, in part, by operating the input stage at $120\mu A$ versus the typical $10\mu A$ of most other op amps. Voltage noise is inversely proportional, while current noise is directly proportional to the square root of the stage current. Therefore, the OP-227/OP-237 current noise will be relatively high. At low frequencies, the low $1/f$ current noise corner frequency ($\approx 120\text{Hz}$) minimizes current noise to some extent.

0.1Hz to 10Hz Noise Test Circuit



0.1Hz to 10Hz p-p Noise Tester Frequency Response



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In most practical applications, however, current noise will not limit system performance. This is illustrated in the total noise versus source resistance plot, where total noise = [(voltage noise)² + (current noise × R_S)² + (resistor noise)²]^{1/2}.

Three regions can be identified as a function of source resistance:

- (i) R_S ≤ 400Ω - Voltage noise dominates

- (ii) 400Ω ≤ R_S ≤ 50kΩ at 1kHz Resistor noise
400Ω ≤ R_S ≤ 8kΩ at 10Hz dominates

- (iii) R_S > 50kΩ at 1kHz Current noise
R_S > 8kΩ at 10Hz dominates

Clearly the OP-227/OP-237 should not be used in region (iii), where total system noise is at least six times higher than the voltage noise of the op amp, i.e., the low voltage noise specification is completely wasted.

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OP AMP MATCHING

Advantages of Matched Dual Op Amps

In many applications the performance of a system depends on the matching between two operational amplifiers rather than the individual characteristics of the two op amps. Two or three op amp instrumentation amplifiers, tracking voltage references and low drift active filters are some of the circuits requiring matching between two op amps.

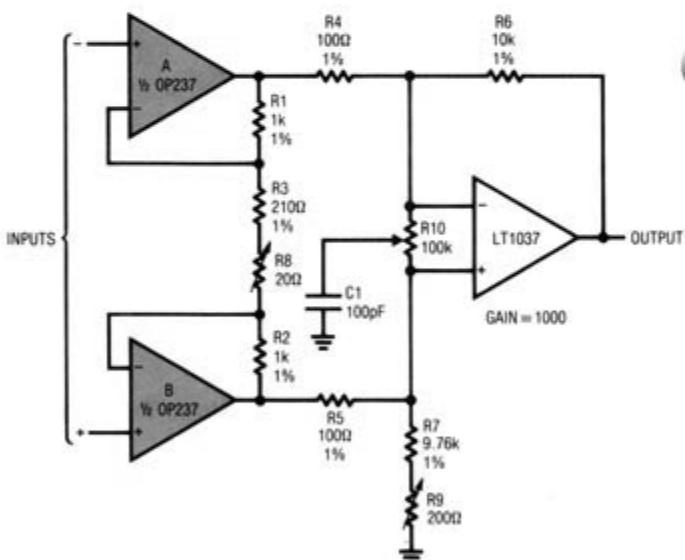
The well-known triple op amp configuration illustrates these concepts. Output offset is a function of the difference between the offsets of the two halves of the OP-227/OP-237. This error cancellation principle holds for a considerable number of input referred parameters in addition to offset voltage and its drift with temperature. Input bias current will be the average of the two non-inverting input currents (I_{B+}). The difference between these two currents (I_{OS+}) is the offset current of the instrumentation amplifier. The difference between the inverting input currents (I_{OS-}) will cause errors flowing through R₁, R₂, and R₃. Common mode and power supply rejections will be dependent only on the match between the two amplifiers (assuming perfect resistor matching).

The concepts of common mode and power supply rejection ratio match ($\Delta CMRR$ and $\Delta PSRR$) are best demonstrated with a numerical example:

Assume CMRR_A = +1.0μV/V or 120dB, and CMRR_B = +0.75μV/V or 122.5dB, then $\Delta CMRR$ = 0.25μV/V or 132dB; if CMRR_B = -0.75μV/V which is still 122.5dB, then $\Delta CMRR$ = 1.75μV/V or 115dB.

Clearly, the OP-227/OP-237, by specifying and guaranteeing all of these matching parameters, can significantly improve the performance of matching dependent circuits.

Three Op Amp Instrumentation Amplifier



Trim R₈ for gain

Trim R₉ for DC common mode rejection

Trim R₁₀ for AC common mode rejection

Typical performance of the instrumentation amplifier:

Input offset voltage = 60μV

Input bias current = ±15nA

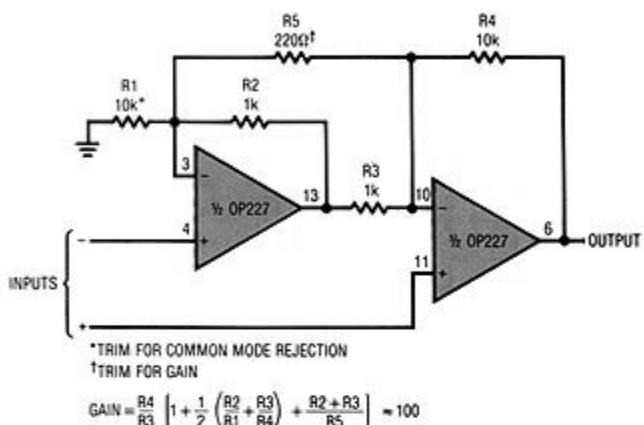
Input offset current = ±20nA

Input noise = 0.08μVp-p

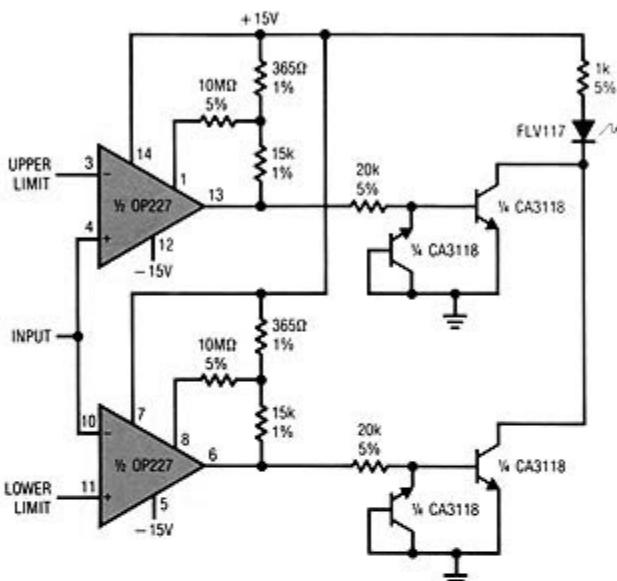
Power bandwidth (V_O = ±10V) = 250kHz

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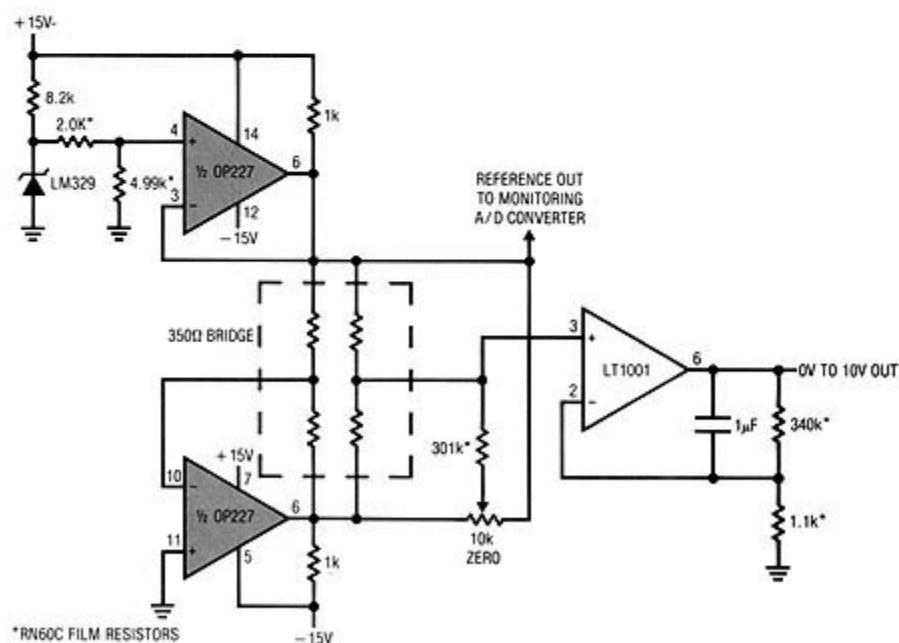
Two Op Amp Instrumentation Amplifier



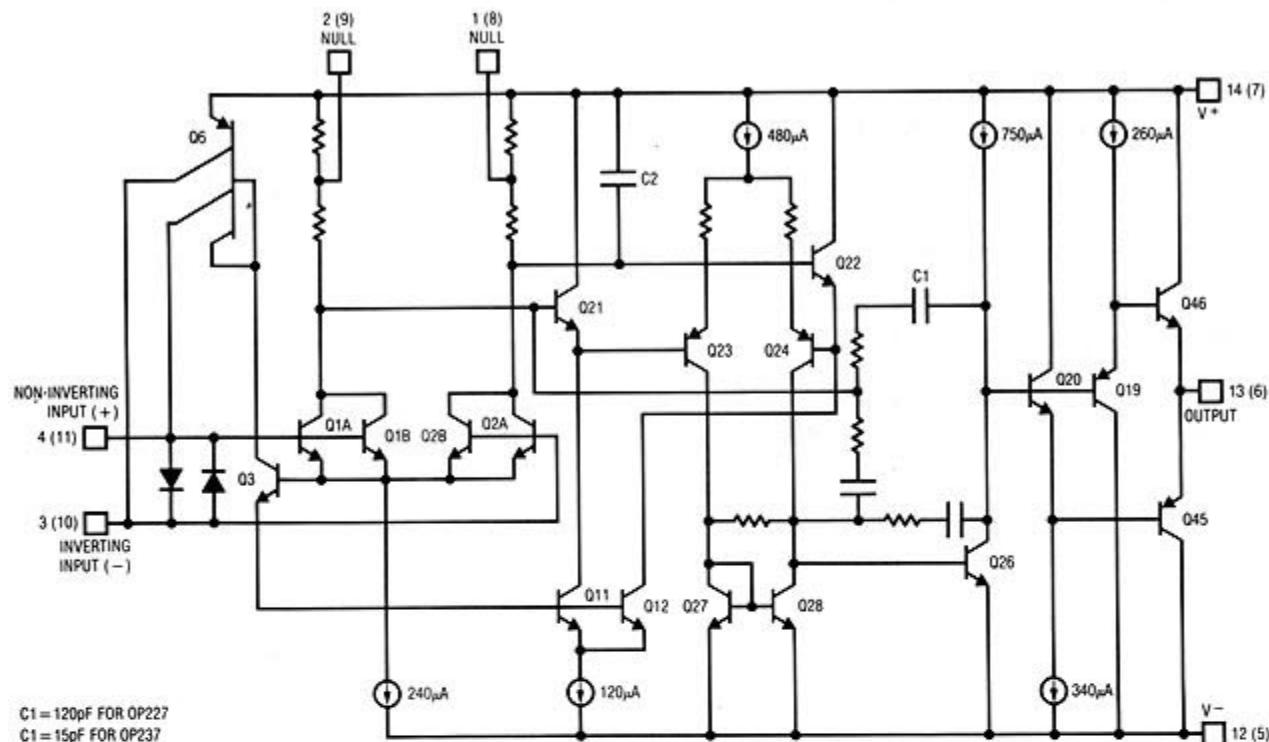
Dual Limit Microvolt Comparator



Strain Gauge Signal Conditioner with Bridge Excitation

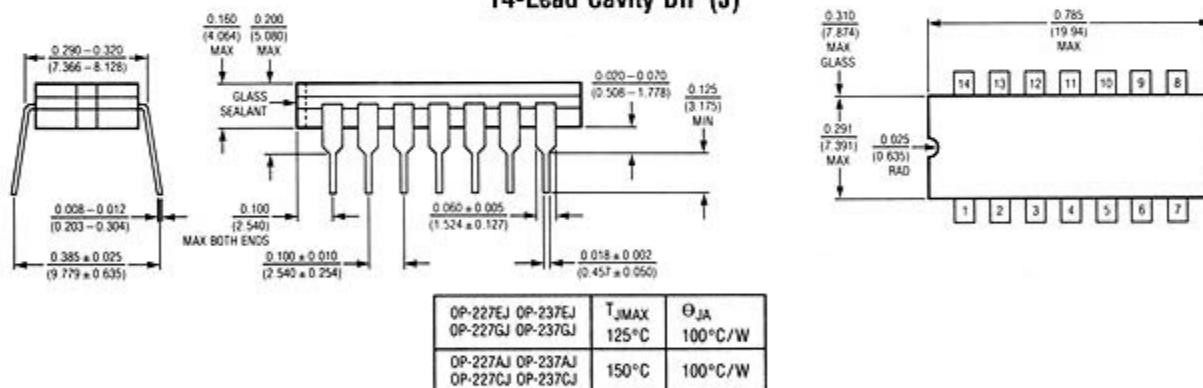


SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM



PACKAGE DESCRIPTION Dimensions in inches (millimeters) unless otherwise noted.

14-Lead Cavity DIP (J)



14-Lead Molded DIP (N)

