

EVM User's Guide: LMH6518EVM

LMH6518 Evaluation Module



Description

The LMH6518 Evaluation Module is designed to aid in the characterization of Texas Instrument's High Speed LMH6518 Differential Amplifier. The easy-to-use evaluation board is designed to provide a quick setup and offer high performance signal analysis. The EVM is ready to connect to power supplies, a signal source, and test instruments through the use of onboard connectors.

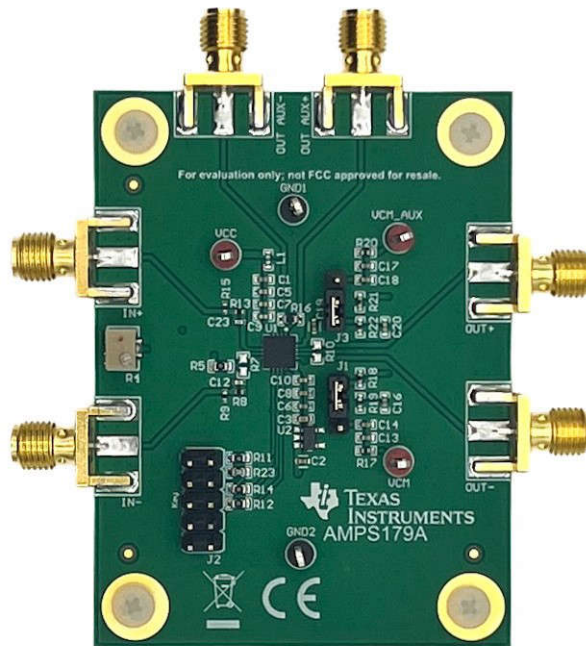
Get Started

1. Order the [LMH6518EVM](#) and [USB2ANY Interface Adapter](#) from ti.com.
2. Visit the [USB2ANY product page](#) and install the latest version of the USB2ANY Explorer Installer.
3. Connect USB2ANY adapter to PC with the provided USB cable and connect 10 pin header to LMH6518EVM.

4. Run the USB2ANY GUI and configure the GUI for SPI communication (instructions for this are in this user's guide).
5. Type the appropriate byte sequence to configure the LMH6518 and evaluate device.

Features

- Designed to work with user friendly USB2ANY interface adapter and GUI.
- Board is designed to be easily reconfigurable for different types of testing conditions.
- Onboard potentiometer is provided to null any output offset.
- Onboard LDO provides the required 3.3V supply for the VDD pin of the LMH6518, requiring only one 5V supply.
- Inputs and outputs include SMA connectors.
- Designed for connections to standard 50Ω test equipment.



1 Evaluation Module Overview

1.1 Introduction

The LMH6518EVM allows users to evaluate the performance of the LMH6518. The LMH6518 is programmed through a SPI compatible serial bus. The evaluation board is designed to interface with Texas Instrument's USB2ANY controller card.

This user's guide describes the characteristics, operation, and use of the LMH6518EVM evaluation board. The user's guide details how to set up and configure the board for various configurations as well as how to setup the USB2ANY adapter to interface with the LMH6518. Throughout this document, the terms evaluation board, evaluation module, and EVM are synonymous with the LMH6518EVM. This user's guide provides information on the operating procedure, input and output connections, an electrical schematic, printed circuit board (PCB) layout drawings, and a parts list for the EVM.

1.2 Kit Contents

The following lists the contents of the EVM kit:

- LMH6518EVM
- Two shunt jumpers
- ReadMe disclaimer

This EVM kit does **not** contain TI's USB2ANY interface adapter, which this EVM is designed to interface with. However, users can still communicate with the device without the USB2ANY using any SPI.

1.3 Specification

The LMH6518EVM evaluation module is designed to be used in conjunction with TI's USB2ANY interface adapter. The LMH6518 is a digitally controlled variable differential amplifier with typical applications including oscilloscope AFEs, gain control in radio receivers, and data acquisition systems. The board can be powered from a single 5V power supply, as the 3.3V digital supply pin is powered with an onboard LDO.

1.4 Device Information

The LMH6518 device is a digitally controlled variable gain amplifier whose total gain is varied from -1.16dB to 38.8dB for a 40dB range in 2dB steps. The -3dB bandwidth is 900MHz at all gains. Gain accuracy at each setting is typically 0.1dB . The auxiliary output (+OUT AUX and -OUT AUX) follows the main output and is intended for use in oscilloscope trigger function circuitry but can have other uses in other applications. Inputs and outputs are DC-coupled. The outputs are differential with individual common mode (CM) voltage control (for main and auxiliary outputs), and have selectable bandwidth limiting circuitry (common to both main and auxiliary).

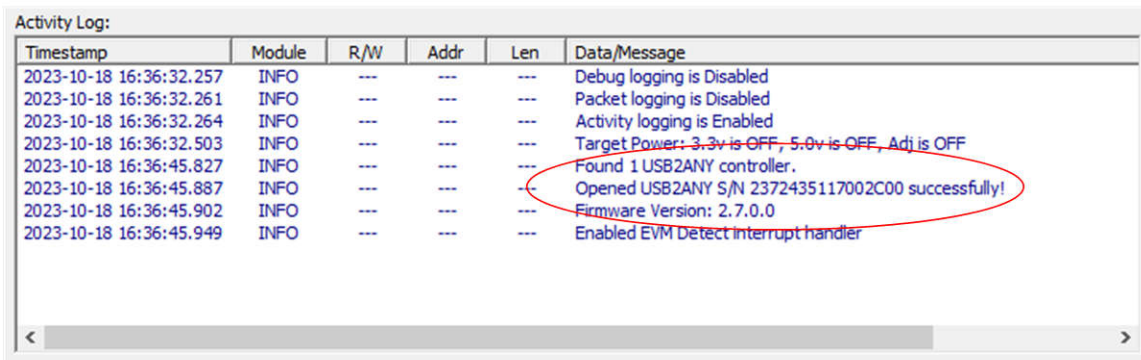
2 Hardware

2.1 Preliminary Setup

The LMH6518 is easily configured with the USB2ANY interface adapter. The USB2ANY product page provides the required software and a detailed user's guide for the adapter. The USB2ANY Explorer Software can be found under the [Order & start development](#) tab on the product's homepage. The user's guide, found under the [Technical Documentation](#) tab, highlights the general setup and operation of the adapter. The USB2ANY is shipped with a USB cable, a 10-pin cable, and a 30-pin cable. For communication with the LMH6518 evaluation board, the 10-pin cable is used as well as the USB cable to interface with the computer.

Once the software is installed follow the procedures below to configure the adapter to interface with the evaluation board.

1. Open USB2ANY Explorer software and confirm the device is recognized when plugged into the computer using the USB cable. Users receive a message in the activity log confirming the controller was connected successfully.



Activity Log:

| Timestamp | Module | R/W | Addr | Len | Data/Message |
|-------------------------|--------|-----|------|-----|--|
| 2023-10-18 16:36:32.257 | INFO | --- | --- | --- | Debug logging is Disabled |
| 2023-10-18 16:36:32.261 | INFO | --- | --- | --- | Packet logging is Disabled |
| 2023-10-18 16:36:32.264 | INFO | --- | --- | --- | Activity logging is Enabled |
| 2023-10-18 16:36:32.503 | INFO | --- | --- | --- | Target Power: 3.3v is OFF, 5.0v is OFF, Adj is OFF |
| 2023-10-18 16:36:45.827 | INFO | --- | --- | --- | Found 1 USB2ANY controller. |
| 2023-10-18 16:36:45.887 | INFO | --- | --- | --- | Opened USB2ANY S/N 2372435117002C00 successfully! |
| 2023-10-18 16:36:45.902 | INFO | --- | --- | --- | Firmware Version: 2.7.0.0 |
| 2023-10-18 16:36:45.949 | INFO | --- | --- | --- | Enabled EVM Detect interrupt handler |

Figure 2-1. USB2ANY Detection Confirmation

2. Click the *Select Interfaces* and check the box next to *SPI*.



Figure 2-2. Adding SPI Tab to GUI

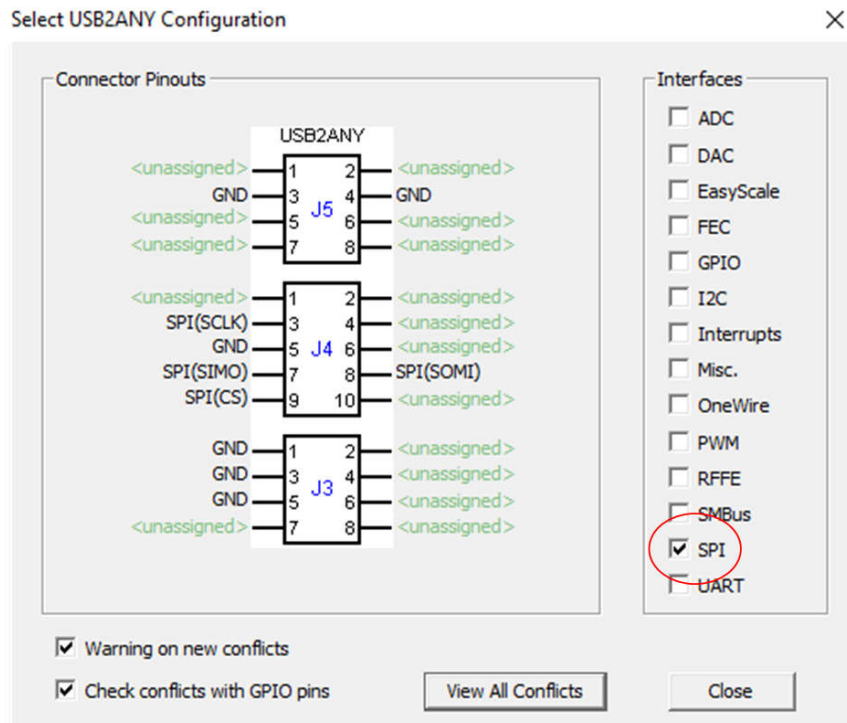


Figure 2-3. Selecting SPI Interface

- Click on the SPI tab and select the settings as shown below that correspond to the LMH6518 SPI functionality.



Figure 2-4. SPI Tab

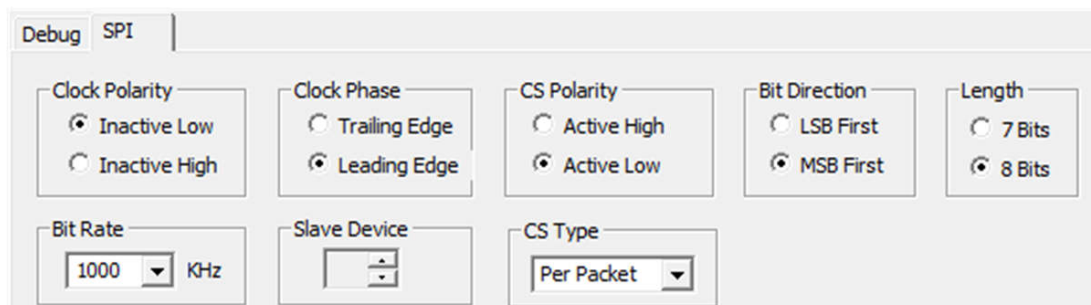


Figure 2-5. SPI Configuration

- Set byte number to 3 bytes that corresponds to LMH6518 SPI communication length.



Figure 2-6. Setting Bytes for SPI Communication

- Plug the 10-pin cable in the appropriate orientation into the USB2ANY adapter. The key on the 10-pin cable lines up with the USB2ANY.

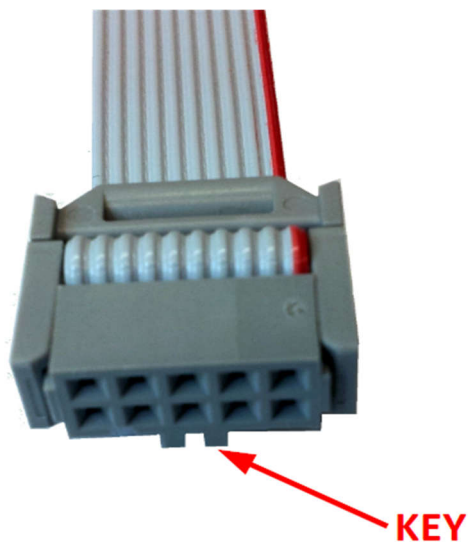


Figure 2-7. USB2ANY 10-Pin Header

- Plug the other end of the ribbon cable into J2 of the LMH6518 evaluation board with the cable key on the side of the *key* label on the board.

2.2 Basic Operation

Inputs

The LMH6518 evaluation board is designed to be used with either differential and single-ended input configurations, however, the LMH6518 evaluation board is shipped out in a single-ended input configuration. In this configuration, the evaluation board is configured for single-ended drive (into the positive input, $IN+$ SMA connector) and the undriven input is biased to $VCC/2$ ($= 2.5V$). This single-ended input must be offset to 2.5V DC ($< \pm 1mV$ of the undriven input voltage at pin 7 of the LMH6518). Here are possible input sources:

- Lab generator (or other signal source) capable of 2.5V offset in the presence of milli-volt level input signal.
- Using a ground referenced (AC-coupled or no offset adjust needed) generator with a *Bias-Tee* module that allows DC value to be set to 2.5V using a fine-tuned voltage lab DC power supply.
- A Hi-Z buffer that outputs the required milli-volt level AC signal centered at 2.5V from a ground referenced input signal. In oscilloscope applications, this Hi-Z buffer is what interfaces the high-impedance oscilloscope probe to the LMH6518.

For best performance, make sure that the LMH6518 inputs (pins 6 and 7) are both close to $VCC/2$ ($= 2.5V$) and there is less than 1mV of difference in voltage between them. On the board, use a DC voltmeter to confirm DC voltage of pins 6 and 7 (top pad of the R7 and right pad of the C23). The voltage potential of pin 6 (driven input) of the LMH6518 can be controlled by varying the incoming signal offset (2.5V nominal) at the SMA connector.

As the DC offset of the inputs go beyond 1mV, measured results can be affected. Some of the side-effects of input dc offset are: output clipping, excess distortion, loss of bandwidth, or step response anomalies. Potentiometer R4 is provided to null any remnant offset, especially useful when the operating conditions change of the device. For an effective method of input offset adjustment, especially when the LMH6518 is set for high gain (HG/ 0dB attenuation), monitor $OUT+$ and $OUT-$ (1.2V nominal) with a DC voltmeter and adjust R4 to minimize the voltage difference between these two outputs to less than 50mV. This effectively reduces any input voltage offset.

To configure from single-ended to differential input, remove resistor R5 and solder a 0Ω 0603 resistor to R7.

Outputs

Both the main and auxiliary output differential impedance needs to be close to 100Ω with minimal parasitic effects when being measured. As these outputs are each set to approximately 1.2V common mode level, the outputs cannot be terminated in DC coupled 50Ω directly. (similar to an oscilloscope input) AC coupled 50Ω terminated instrumentation (such as S parameter analyzers) can be connected to these SMA outputs directly for observation. With a single-ended Hi-Z input instrument, the LMH6518 outputs must be terminated in 100Ω differential, as shown in [Figure 2-8](#).

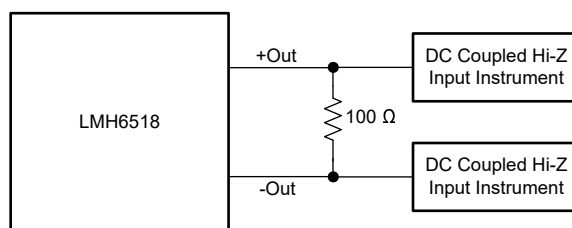


Figure 2-8. LMH6518 Output Observation With Hi-Z Instrumentation

The auxiliary outputs must be terminated in 100Ω on board by installing R16 when observing the main output. The evaluation board comes with R16 populated.

The outputs of the device need to be biased near 1.2V by applying the appropriate voltage to the VOCM (VOCM_Aux) pin for the main (auxiliary) output of the LMH6518. The board has the option of biasing these pins using onboard 1.2V reference circuitry or can be tied to an external bias such as the common mode output control of an ADC. How to configure the shunt jumpers to the appropriate positions for either configuration is shown in [Section 2.3](#).

2.3 Jumper Information

The LMH6518 evaluation board provides the option to bias the VOCM/VOCM_AUX pins using an onboard 1.2V bias or externally bias the pins by applying a voltage potential to the respective test points. To configure the intended bias source, adjust jumpers J1 and J3. Configuring the jumpers to the inner position bias the VOCM pins to the default 1.2V onboard bias. Placing the jumpers to the outer position bias the VOCM pins to the external voltage bias set by the VCM/VCM_AUX test points located on the board. The two positions are illustrated in [Figure 2-9](#) and [Figure 2-10](#).

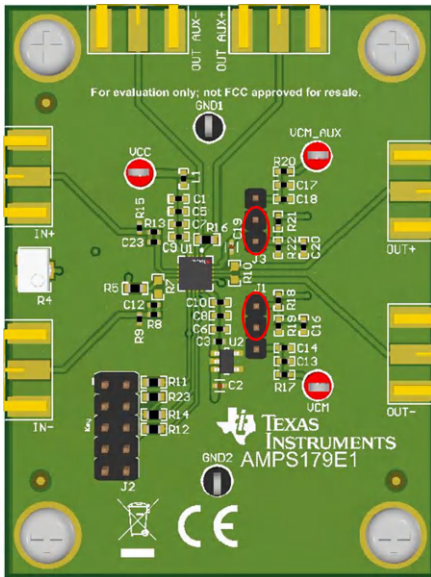


Figure 2-9. 1.2V Onboard VCM Bias Jumper Positions

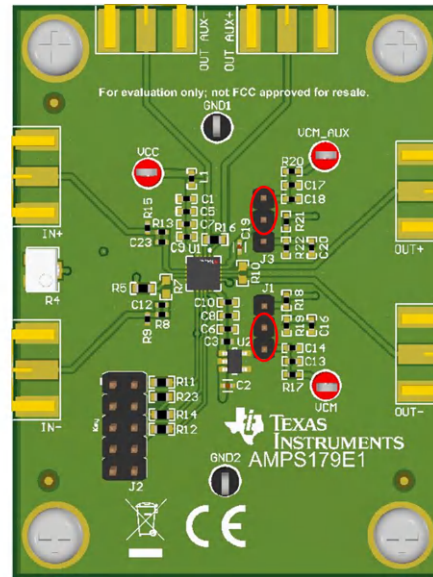


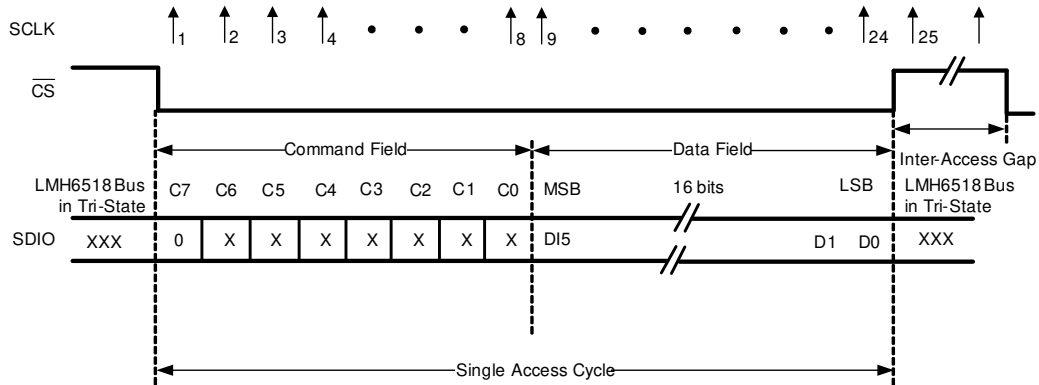
Figure 2-10. External VCM Bias Jumper Positions

2.4 SPI

The following section highlights how to get data to and from the LMH6518EVM. A tip on how to confirm the USB2ANY is properly communicating with the LMH6518 is also given in this section.

Writing to the LMH6518:

To write to the LMH6518, the first bit sent (C7) must be 0. The serial interface protocol write operation is shown in Figure 2-11. The data that is read back in the *Read data:* text field in the USB2ANY GUI needs to be the same as the data written.



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Figure 2-11. Serial Interface Protocol, Write Operation

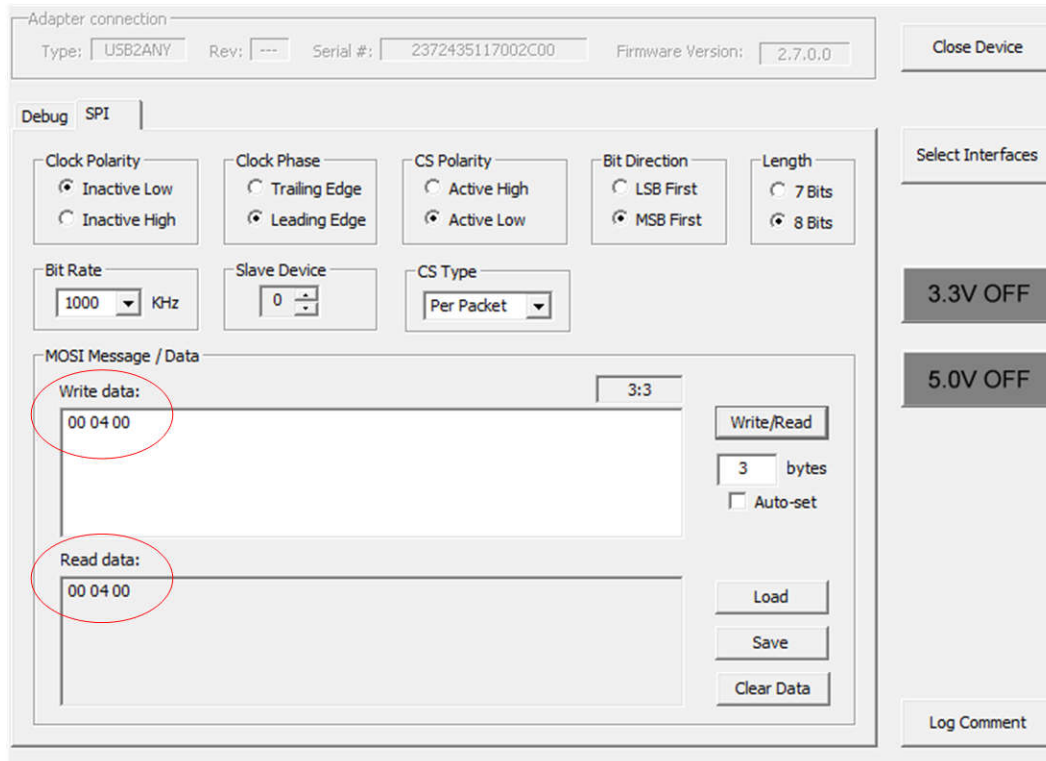


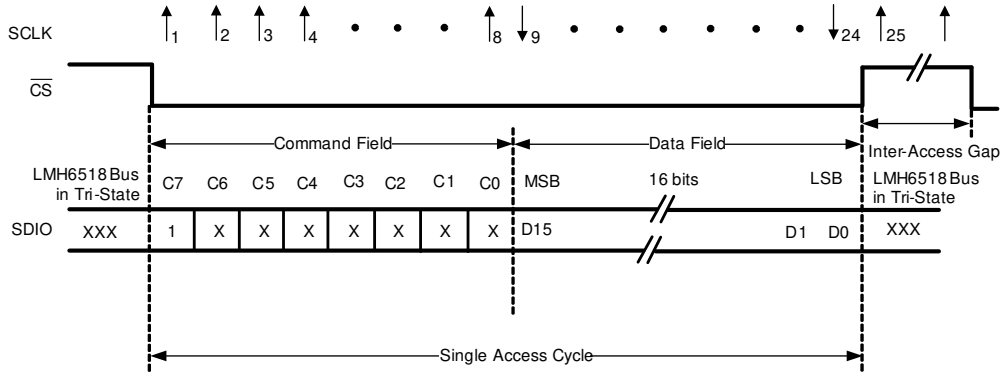
Figure 2-12. Writing Data to LMH6518

Note

A way to confirm that writing to the LMH6518 is working properly is to use bit D10 to switch between full power or auxiliary high impedance mode (Aux Hi-Z). When the device is set to Aux Hi-Z mode, the supply current of the device is reduced by about 60mA. Writing 00 04 00 to the device switches the device to Aux Hi-Z mode, and can be switched back again to full power using 00 00 00.

Reading from the LMH6518:

To read from the device, the first bit sent to the device (C7) must be 1. The serial interface protocol read operation is shown in Figure 2-13. After writing a recognizable configuration to the device, such as 00 00 EF, the device configuration can be read by writing 80 00 00 as 8 sets the very first bit (C7) to 1. The data read back for this specific configuration will be 80 00 EF as shown in Figure 2-14 and Figure 2-15.



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Figure 2-13. Serial Interface Protocol, Read Operation

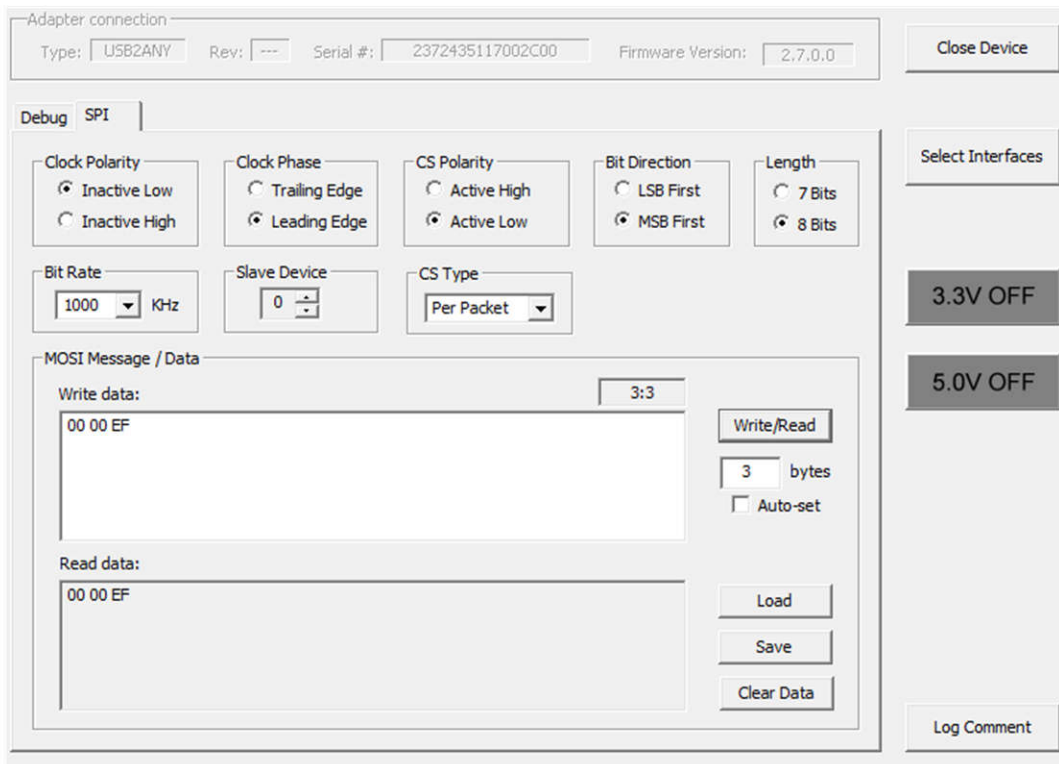


Figure 2-14. Writing Recognizable Configuration to LMH6518

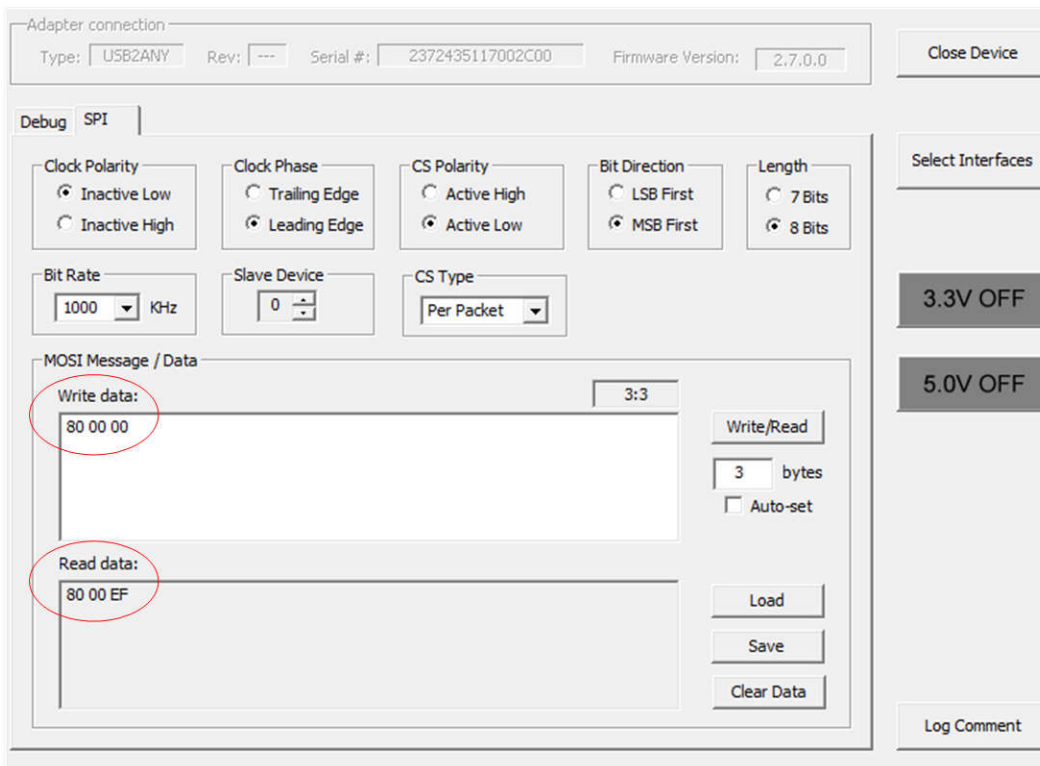


Figure 2-15. Reading Recognizable Configuration to LMH6518

Note

When initially writing to the LMH6518, if the data immediately read back is not the same as the data that is written there can be a delay. To fix this, lower the bit rate in the configuration panel found in the SPI tab. When reading from the LMH6518, if the read data is not the expected configuration, this can also be corrected by adjusting the bit rate.

2.5 Logic Function Description

This section gives a quick overview of the logic functions that are controlled with the SPI compatible bus. The data field for the LMH6518 along with the description of the functions are described below.

| | | | | | | | FILTER | | | | PREAMP | | LADDER ATTENUATION | | | |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|----|----|----|------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----|----------|--|
| D15 (MSB) | D14 | D13 | D12 | D11 | D10 | D9 | D8 | D7 | D6 | D5 | D4 | D3 | D2 | D1 | D0 (LSB) | |
| X | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 = Full power 1 = Aux Hi-Z | 0 | See Table 2-1 | | | 0 | 0 = LG 1 = HG | See Table 2-2 | | | | |

Note

Bits D5, D9, D11, D12, D13 and D14 must be 0 when writing data to LMH6518.

Power Mode: Bit D10 controls the power mode of the device (with Aux Hi-Z, the auxiliary output is turned off with an approximately 60mA reduction in 5V supply current).

Note

When the power mode is switched, the change in +5V supply current (approximately 60mA) through the power supply wiring or trace is enough to cause a noticeable difference in the voltage at $-IN$ (voltage-divided from 5V supply). This can cause enough input offset difference to shift or rail the output, especially at high gains (preamp HG and little or no ladder attenuation). If this occurs, then readjust R4 to null the output offset.

Filters: The LMH6518 has selectable bandwidth limiting circuitry for both output pairs. The filter options and the corresponding bit values are shown in [Table 2-1](#).

Table 2-1. Filter Options

| FILTER | | | BANDWIDTH (MHz) |
|--------|----|----|-----------------|
| D8 | D7 | D6 | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | Full |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 20 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 100 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 200 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 350 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 650 |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 750 |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | Not allowed |

Preamp Gain: The preamp function is to control whether the device is in the high gain (38.8dB) setting or the low gain setting (18.8dB). Bit D4 controls this state.

Ladder Attenuator: The attenuation ladder is from 0dB to 20dB in 2dB increments. The final gain of the device is the preamp gain setting the device is in minus the ladder attenuation setting. The attenuation options and the corresponding bit values are shown in [Table 2-2](#).

Table 2-2. Attenuation Options

| LADDER ATTENUATION | | | | BANDWIDTH (dB) |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----------------|
| D3 | D2 | D1 | D0 | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -2 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | -4 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | -6 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | -8 |
| 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | -10 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | -12 |
| 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | -14 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -16 |
| 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | -18 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | -20 |
| 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | Not allowed |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | Not allowed |
| 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | Not allowed |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | Not allowed |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Not allowed |

Note

A not allowed SPI state can result in undefined operation where device behavior is not verified.

The default power-on device state is shown in [Table 2-3](#).

Table 2-3. Default Device State

| | | | | | | | FILTER | | | | | PREAMP | LADDER ATTENUATION | | | |
|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|--------|----|----|----|----|--------|--------------------|----|----------|--|
| D15 (MSB) | D14 | D13 | D12 | D11 | D10 | D9 | D8 | D7 | D6 | D5 | D4 | D3 | D2 | D1 | D0 (LSB) | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | |

2.6 Header Information

The header (J2) pinout for the evaluation board is shown in [Table 2-4](#).

Table 2-4. Header Information

| Header Pin | Function |
|------------|---------------|
| 2 | Chip Select |
| 3 | POCI |
| 4 | PICO |
| 5,6 | GND |
| 8 | Clock |
| 1,7,9,10 | Not Connected |

3 Hardware Design Files

3.1 Schematic

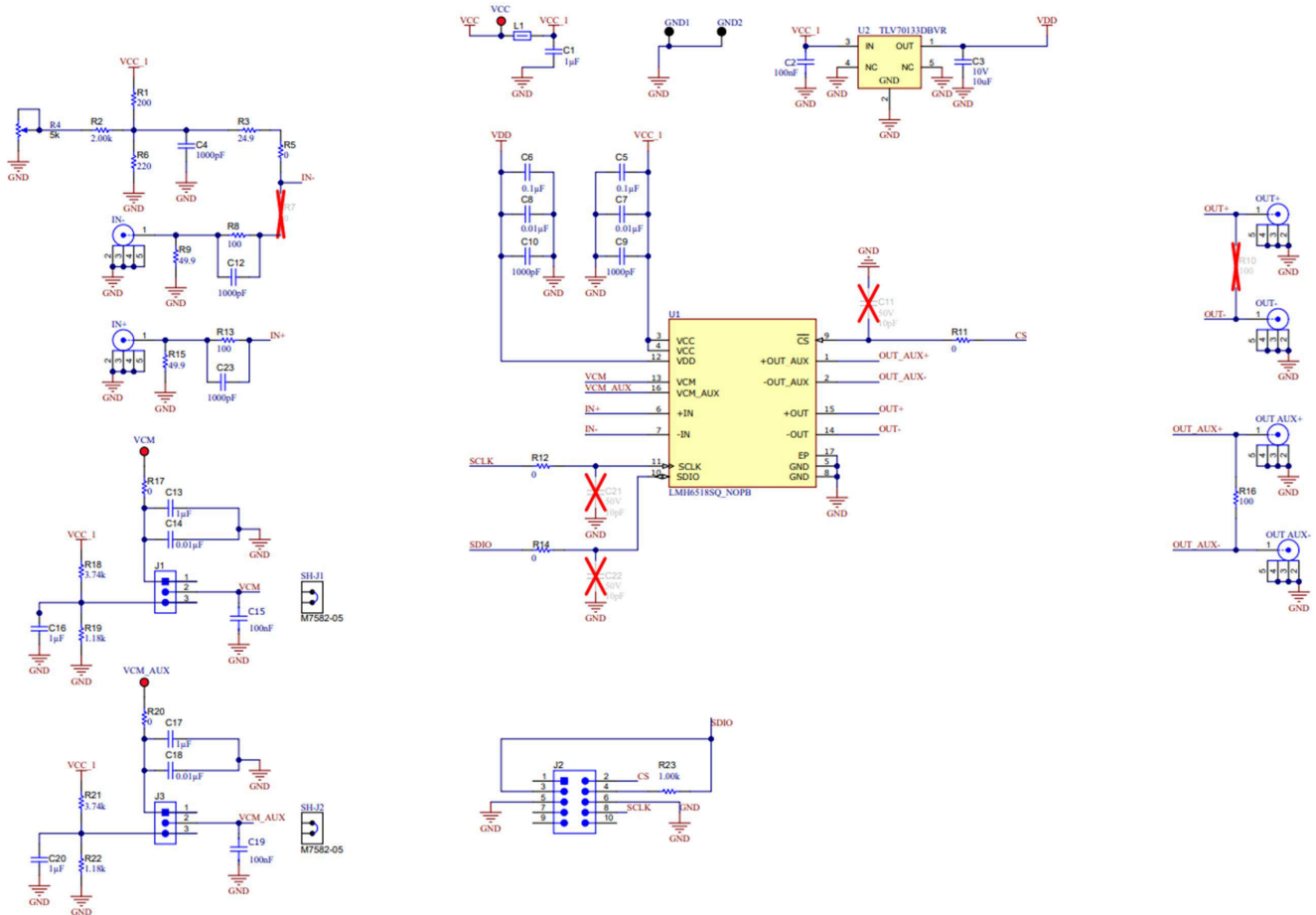


Figure 3-1. EVM Schematic

3.2 PCB Layouts

The LMH6518 evaluation board is a four-layer board; all four layers are detailed in [Figure 3-2](#) through [Figure 3-5](#).

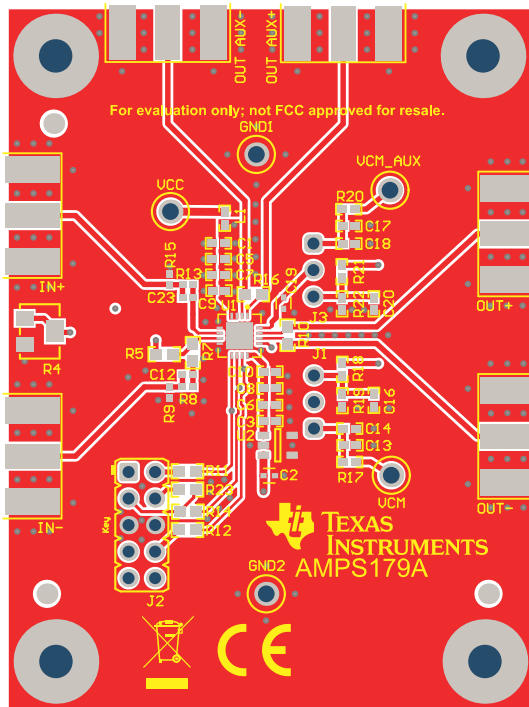


Figure 3-2. Top Layer

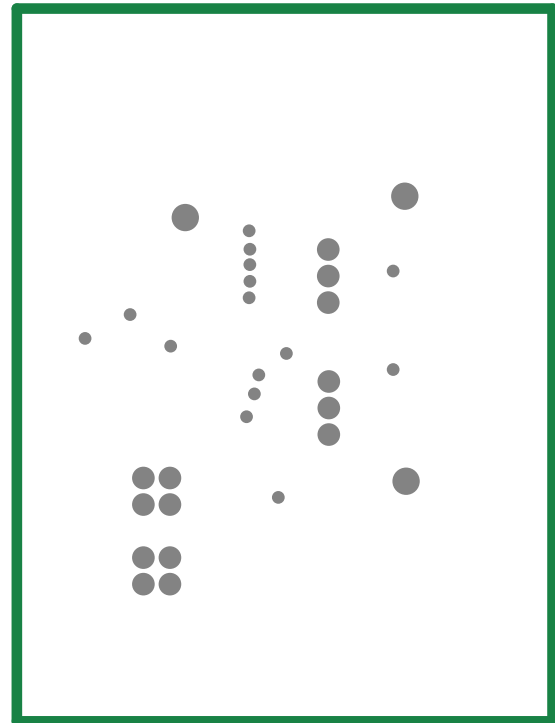


Figure 3-3. Ground Layer 2

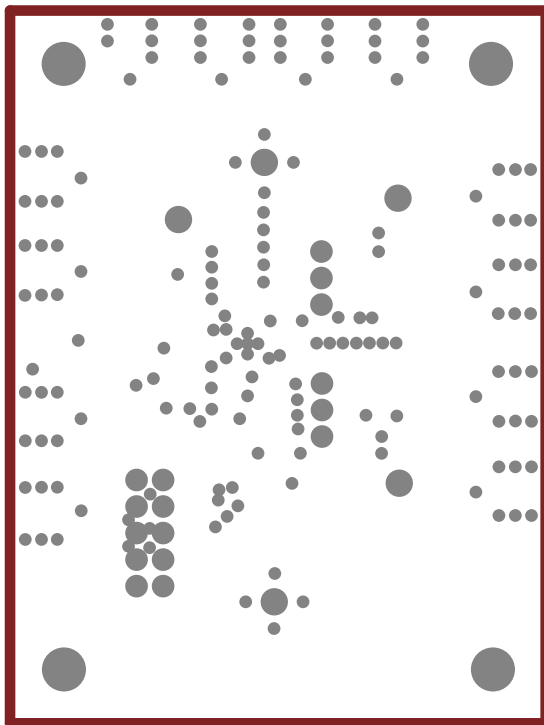


Figure 3-4. Power Layer 3

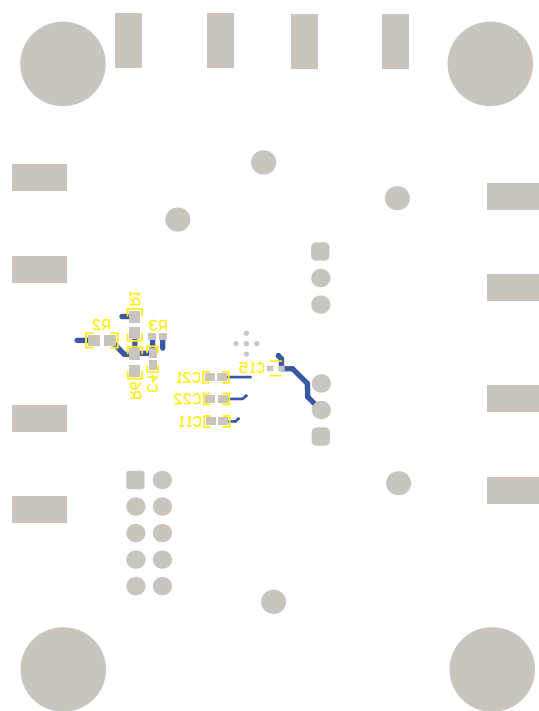


Figure 3-5. Bottom Layer

3.3 Bill of Materials (BOM)

Table 3-1. Bill of Materials

| Designator | Quantity | Value | Description | PackageReference | PartNumber | Manufacturer |
|--|----------|---------|---|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| !PCB | 1 | | Printed Circuit Board | | AMPS179 | Any |
| C1, C13, C16, C17, C20 | 5 | 1uF | CAP, CERM, 1µF, 25V,+/- 10%, X5R, 0402 | 402 | CL05A105KA5NQNC | Samsung Electro-Mechanics |
| C2, C15, C19 | 3 | 100nF | General Purpose Ceramic Capacitor, 0402, 100nF, 5%, X7R, 15%, 16V | 402 | 0402YC104JAT2A | AVX |
| C3 | 1 | 10uF | CAP, CERM, 10uF, 10V, +/- 20%, X5R, 0402 | 402 | GRM155R61A106ME11D | MuRata |
| C4, C12, C23 | 3 | 1000pF | CAP, CERM, 1000pF, 25V, +/- 5%, X7R, 0402 | 402 | C0402C102J3RACTU | Kemet |
| C5, C6 | 2 | 0.1uF | CAP, CERM, 0.1µF, 25V,+/- 10%, X7R, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0402 | 402 | CGA2B3X7R1E104K050BB | TDK |
| C7, C8, C14, C18 | 4 | 0.01uF | CAP, CERM, 0.01µF, 25V,+/- 5%, X7R, 0402 | 402 | 04023C103JAT2A | AVX |
| C9, C10 | 2 | 1000pF | CAP, CERM, 1000pF, 50V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0402 | 402 | GRM155R71H102KA01D | MuRata |
| GND1, GND2 | 2 | | Test Point, Multipurpose, Black, TH | Black Multipurpose Testpoint | 5011 | Keystone Electronics |
| H1, H2, H3, H4 | 4 | | Machine Screw, Round, #4-40 x 1/4, Nylon, Philips panhead | Screw | NY PMS 440 0025 PH | B&F Fastener Supply |
| H5, H6, H7, H8 | 4 | | Standoff, Hex, 0.5"L #4-40 Nylon | Standoff | 1902C | Keystone |
| IN-, IN+, OUT-, OUT AUX-, OUT AUX+, OUT+ | 6 | | Connector, End launch SMA, 50 ohm, SMT | SMA End Launch | 142-0701-851 | Cinch Connectivity |
| J1, J3 | 2 | | Header, 2.54mm, 3x1, Gold, TH | Header, 2.54mm, 3x1, TH | 61300311121 | Würth Elektronik |
| J2 | 1 | | Header, 2.54mm, 5x2, Gold, TH | Header, 2.54mm, 5x2, TH | 61301021121 | Würth Elektronik |
| L1 | 1 | 120 ohm | Ferrite Bead, 120 ohm at 100MHz, 0.4A, 0402 | 402 | MMZ1005Y121CT000 | TDK |
| R1 | 1 | 200 | RES, 200, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603 | 603 | RC0603FR-07200RL | Yageo |
| R2 | 1 | 2.00k | RES, 2.00 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603 | 603 | RC0603FR-072KL | Yageo |
| R3 | 1 | 24.9 | RES, 24.9, 1%, 0.063 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402 | 402 | CRCW040224R9FKED | Vishay-Dale |
| R4 | 1 | 5k | TRIMMER, 5K, 0.25W, SMD | 3.5x5.3x4.8mm | 3224W-1-502E | Bourns |
| R5, R11, R12, R14 | 4 | 0 | RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603 | 603 | ERJ-3GEY0R00V | Panasonic |
| R6 | 1 | 220 | RES, 220, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603 | 603 | RC0603FR-07220RL | Yageo |
| R8, R13 | 2 | 100 | RES, 100, 0.1%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402 | 402 | MCS0402MD1000BE100 | Vishay/Beyschlag |
| R9, R15 | 2 | 49.9 | RES, 49.9, 1%, 0.063 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402 | 402 | CRCW040249R9FKED | Vishay-Dale |
| R16 | 1 | 100 | RES, 100, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603 | 603 | RC0603FR-07100RL | Yageo |
| R17, R20 | 2 | 0 | RES, 0, 0%, 0.2 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402 | 402 | CRCW04020000Z0EDHP | Vishay-Dale |

Table 3-1. Bill of Materials (continued)

| Designator | Quantity | Value | Description | PackageReference | PartNumber | Manufacturer |
|-------------------|----------|-------|---|--|------------------|----------------------|
| R18, R21 | 2 | 3.74k | RES, 3.74 k, 1%, 0.063 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402 | 402 | CRCW04023K74FKED | Vishay-Dale |
| R19, R22 | 2 | 1.18k | RES, 1.18 k, 1%, 0.063 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0402 | 402 | CRCW04021K18FKED | Vishay-Dale |
| R23 | 1 | 1.00k | RES, 1.00 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603 | 603 | RC0603FR-071KL | Yageo |
| SH-J1, SH-J2 | 2 | | Single Operation 2.54mm Pitch Open Top Jumper Socket | Single Operation 2.54mm Pitch Open Top Jumper Socket | M7582-05 | Harwin |
| U1 | 1 | | Variable Gain Amplifier 1 Circuit Differential 16-WQFN (4x4) | WQFN16 | LMH6518SQ_NOPB | Texas Instruments |
| U2 | 1 | | Single Output LDO, 150mA, Fixed 3.3V Output, 2.5 to 24V Input, with Ultra-Low IQ, 5-pin SOT-23 (DBV), -40 to 85 degC, Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) | DBV0005A | TLV70133DBVR | Texas Instruments |
| VCC, VCM, VCM_AUX | 3 | | Test Point, Multipurpose, Red, TH | Red Multipurpose Testpoint | 5010 | Keystone Electronics |
| C11, C21, C22 | 0 | 10pF | CAP, CERM, 10pF, 50V, +/- 2.5%, C0G/NP0, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0402 | 402 | 04025U100CAT2A | AVX |
| FID1, FID2, FID3 | 0 | | Fiducial mark. There is nothing to buy or mount. | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| R7 | 0 | 0 | RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603 | 603 | ERJ-3GEY0R00V | Panasonic |
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NOTE:

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3 Regulatory Notices:

3.1 United States

3.1.1 Notice applicable to EVMs not FCC-Approved:

FCC NOTICE: This kit is designed to allow product developers to evaluate electronic components, circuitry, or software associated with the kit to determine whether to incorporate such items in a finished product and software developers to write software applications for use with the end product. This kit is not a finished product and when assembled may not be resold or otherwise marketed unless all required FCC equipment authorizations are first obtained. Operation is subject to the condition that this product not cause harmful interference to licensed radio stations and that this product accept harmful interference. Unless the assembled kit is designed to operate under part 15, part 18 or part 95 of this chapter, the operator of the kit must operate under the authority of an FCC license holder or must secure an experimental authorization under part 5 of this chapter.

3.1.2 For EVMs annotated as FCC – FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Part 15 Compliant:

CAUTION

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

FCC Interference Statement for Class A EVM devices

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.

FCC Interference Statement for Class B EVM devices

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

3.2 Canada

3.2.1 For EVMs issued with an Industry Canada Certificate of Conformance to RSS-210 or RSS-247

Concerning EVMs Including Radio Transmitters:

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSSs. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

(1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Concernant les EVMs avec appareils radio:

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Concerning EVMs Including Detachable Antennas:

Under Industry Canada regulations, this radio transmitter may only operate using an antenna of a type and maximum (or lesser) gain approved for the transmitter by Industry Canada. To reduce potential radio interference to other users, the antenna type and its gain should be so chosen that the equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) is not more than that necessary for successful communication. This radio transmitter has been approved by Industry Canada to operate with the antenna types listed in the user guide with the maximum permissible gain and required antenna impedance for each antenna type indicated. Antenna types not included in this list, having a gain greater than the maximum gain indicated for that type, are strictly prohibited for use with this device.

Concernant les EVMs avec antennes détachables

Conformément à la réglementation d'Industrie Canada, le présent émetteur radio peut fonctionner avec une antenne d'un type et d'un gain maximal (ou inférieur) approuvé pour l'émetteur par Industrie Canada. Dans le but de réduire les risques de brouillage radioélectrique à l'intention des autres utilisateurs, il faut choisir le type d'antenne et son gain de sorte que la puissance isotrope rayonnée équivalente (p.i.r.e.) ne dépasse pas l'intensité nécessaire à l'établissement d'une communication satisfaisante. Le présent émetteur radio a été approuvé par Industrie Canada pour fonctionner avec les types d'antenne énumérés dans le manuel d'usage et ayant un gain admissible maximal et l'impédance requise pour chaque type d'antenne. Les types d'antenne non inclus dans cette liste, ou dont le gain est supérieur au gain maximal indiqué, sont strictement interdits pour l'exploitation de l'émetteur.

3.3 Japan

3.3.1 *Notice for EVMs delivered in Japan:* Please see http://www.tij.co.jp/lstds/ti_ja/general/eStore/notice_01.page 日本国内に輸入される評価用キット、ボードについては、次のところをご覧ください。

<https://www.ti.com/ja-jp/legal/notice-for-evaluation-kits-delivered-in-japan.html>

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1. Use EVMs in a shielded room or any other test facility as defined in the notification #173 issued by Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications on March 28, 2006, based on Sub-section 1.1 of Article 6 of the Ministry's Rule for Enforcement of Radio Law of Japan,
2. Use EVMs only after User obtains the license of Test Radio Station as provided in Radio Law of Japan with respect to EVMs, or
3. Use of EVMs only after User obtains the Technical Regulations Conformity Certification as provided in Radio Law of Japan with respect to EVMs. Also, do not transfer EVMs, unless User gives the same notice above to the transferee. Please note that if User does not follow the instructions above, User will be subject to penalties of Radio Law of Japan.

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