

# QUICK START GUIDE FOR DEMONSTRATION CIRCUIT 566

## DIGITALLY CONTROLLED PROGRAMMABLE GAIN AMPLIFIER

LTC6910

### DESCRIPTION

Demonstration circuits 566A-A, -B and -C, feature the easy to use, rail-to-rail input and output LTC6910 series of Low Noise Programmable Gain Amplifier (PGA) parts. The inverting gain is set by changing the positions of three onboard jumpers: G0, G1 and G2 to set the 3-bit programming code. Demo Circuit 566A-A is for the LTC6910-1 with gains of 0, 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100 V/V. Demo Circuit 566A-B is for the LTC6910-2 with gains of 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, and 64 V/V. Demo Circuits 566A-C is for the LTC6910-3 with gains of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 V/V.

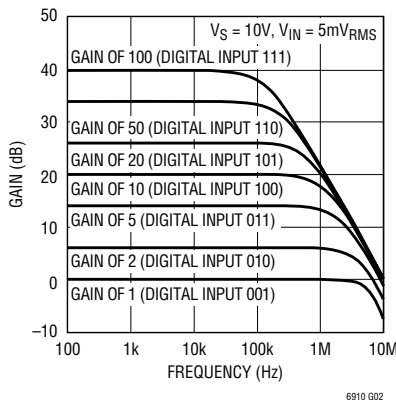
All three-demo boards have input jumpers to select between AC or DC coupling of the input, and a jumper to select operation with a single or dual supply. Typical applications include data acquisition systems, dynamic gain changing, automatic ranging circuits and automatic gain control. The LTC6910 family can op-

erate from single or split supplies from 2.7V to 10.5V total between  $V_+$  and  $V_-$ .

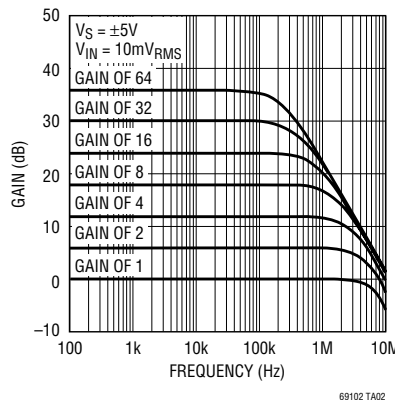
**Design files for this circuit board are available. Call the LTC factory.**

**Table 1. Performance Summary ( $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ )**

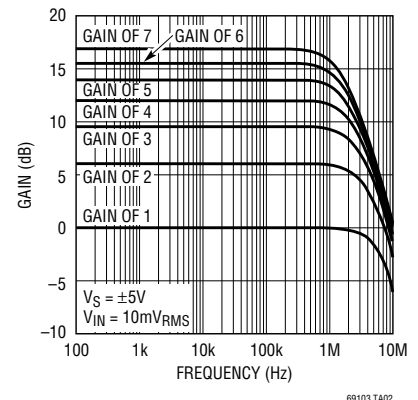
| PARAMETER            | CONDITION                                             | VALUE                                                                            |
|----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Supply Voltage Range | $V_+$ to $V_-$                                        | 2.7V to 10.5V                                                                    |
| Gain Accuracy        | Gain Dependent (see Data Sheet)                       | Typical $\pm 0.05\text{dB}$ at Gain = 1<br>and $\pm 0.4\text{ dB}$ at Gain = 100 |
| Slew Rate            | $V_S = \pm 2.5\text{V}$ , $V_{OUT} = \pm 1.4\text{V}$ | 12V/ $\mu\text{s}$                                                               |
|                      | $V_S = \pm 5\text{V}$ , $V_{OUT} = \pm 1.4\text{V}$   | 16V/ $\mu\text{s}$                                                               |



**Figure 1. LTC6910-1 Frequency Response**



**Figure 2. LTC6910-2 Frequency Response**



**Figure 3. LTC6910-3 Frequency Response**

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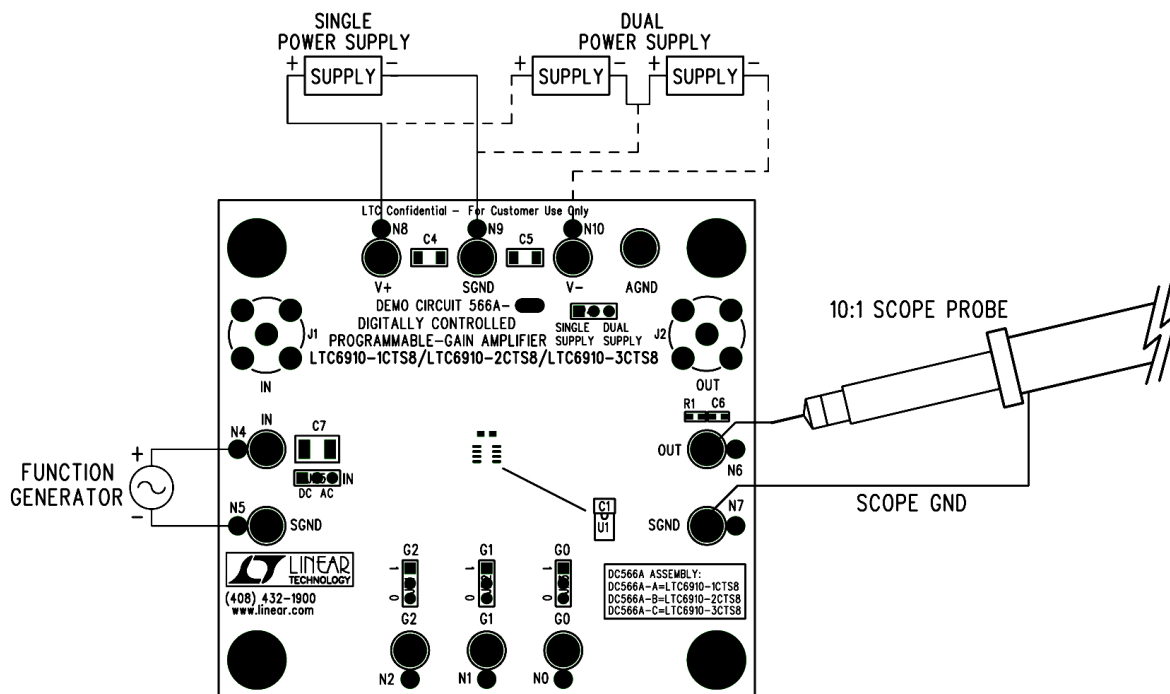


Figure 4. Proper Measurement Equipment Setup

## QUICK START PROCEDURE

The 566 family of Demonstration boards allow for easy evaluation of the performance of the LTC6910 series of PGAs. Refer to Figure 4 for proper measurement equipment setup and follow the procedure given below:

1. Place jumpers in the following positions:

### Supply Jumper:

**SINGLE** for Single Supply

**DUAL** for Dual Supply

### Input Jumper (IN):

**DC** for DC Coupling

**AC** for AC Coupling

$$f_{-3dB} = 1/(2\pi C_7 R_{INPUT})$$

$C_7 = 10\mu F$ ,  $R_{INPUT}$  is the nominal input impedance and depends on the gain setting, see Table 2, 3, or 4.

The jumper settings given in this procedure set the gain to a value of  $-1$  (the LTC6910-X is an inverting amplifier), for other gain values refer to Gain Table 2, 3 or 4 which matches the Demo Circuit, 566-A, -B, or -C. To set the gain to a value of  $-1$  set:

**G0:** Set to **Logic 1**

**G1:** Set to **Logic 0**

**G2:** Set to **Logic 0**

2. With the power off, connect the input power supply to V+, V- and AGND as required.

**NOTE:** Make sure that the input voltage does not exceed 11V total between V+ and V-.

3. Set a function generator to output a 1kHz 1V<sub>P-P</sub> signal.
4. Set the input jumper to give the desired input coupling, AC or DC.

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- Turn on the power supply and connect the signal generator to the IN BNC, or turrets as shown in Figure 4.
- Monitor the output (BNC or test point) with an oscilloscope to observe a 1kHz 1V<sub>P-P</sub> signal.
- Using Tables 2, 3 or 4 set the gain as desired and set the input to within the nominal linear input range. Example: For a dual 5V supply operation and a gain equal to five, the input to an LTC6910-1 should be set equal to or less than 2V<sub>P-P</sub> (see Table 2).

**Table 2. DC566A–A Gain Settings And Properties LTC6910-1**

| G2 | G1 | G0 | NOMINAL VOLTAGE GAIN |      | NOMINAL LINEAR INPUT RANGE (V <sub>P-P</sub> ) |                  |                  | NOMINAL INPUT IMPEDANCE (K $\Omega$ ) |
|----|----|----|----------------------|------|------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
|    |    |    | VOLTS/VOLT           | (dB) | DUAL 5V SUPPLY                                 | SINGLE 5V SUPPLY | SINGLE 3V SUPPLY |                                       |
| 1  | 0  | 0  | 0                    | -120 | 10                                             | 5                | 3                | OPEN                                  |
| 0  | 0  | 1  | -1                   | 0    | 10                                             | 5                | 3                | 10                                    |
| 0  | 1  | 0  | -2                   | 6    | 5                                              | 2.5              | 1.5              | 5                                     |
| 0  | 1  | 1  | -5                   | 14   | 2                                              | 1                | 0.6              | 2                                     |
| 1  | 0  | 0  | -10                  | 20   | 1                                              | 0.5              | 0.3              | 1                                     |
| 1  | 0  | 1  | -20                  | 26   | 0.5                                            | 0.25             | 0.15             | 1                                     |
| 1  | 1  | 0  | -50                  | 34   | 0.2                                            | 0.1              | 0.06             | 1                                     |
| 1  | 1  | 1  | -100                 | 40   | 0.1                                            | 0.05             | 0.3              | 1                                     |

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**Table 3. DC566A–B Gain Settings And Properties LTC6910-2**

| G2 | G1 | G0 | NOMINAL VOLTAGE GAIN |       | NOMINAL LINEAR INPUT RANGE ( $V_{P-P}$ ) |                  |                  | NOMINAL INPUT IMPEDANCE (K $\Omega$ ) |
|----|----|----|----------------------|-------|------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
|    |    |    | VOLTS/VOLT           | (dB)  | DUAL 5V SUPPLY                           | SINGLE 5V SUPPLY | SINGLE 3V SUPPLY |                                       |
| 1  | 0  | 0  | 0                    | -120  | 10                                       | 5                | 3                | OPEN                                  |
| 0  | 0  | 1  | -1                   | 0     | 10                                       | 5                | 3                | 10                                    |
| 0  | 1  | 0  | -2                   | 6     | 5                                        | 2.5              | 1.5              | 5                                     |
| 0  | 1  | 1  | -4                   | 12    | 2.5                                      | 1.25             | 0.75             | 2.5                                   |
| 1  | 0  | 0  | -8                   | 18.06 | 125                                      | 0.625            | 0.375            | 1.25                                  |
| 1  | 0  | 1  | -16                  | 24.08 | 0.625                                    | 0.313            | 0.188            | 1.25                                  |
| 1  | 1  | 0  | -32                  | 30.1  | 0.313                                    | 0.156            | 0.094            | 1.25                                  |
| 1  | 1  | 1  | -64                  | 36.12 | 0.156                                    | 0.078            | 0.047            | 1.25                                  |

**Table 4. DC566A–C Gain Settings And Properties LTC6910-3**

| G2 | G1 | G0 | NOMINAL VOLTAGE GAIN |      | NOMINAL LINEAR INPUT RANGE ( $V_{P-P}$ ) |                  |                  | NOMINAL INPUT IMPEDANCE (K $\Omega$ ) |
|----|----|----|----------------------|------|------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
|    |    |    | VOLTS/VOLT           | (dB) | DUAL 5V SUPPLY                           | SINGLE 5V SUPPLY | SINGLE 3V SUPPLY |                                       |
| 1  | 0  | 0  | 0                    | -120 | 10                                       | 5                | 3                | OPEN                                  |
| 0  | 0  | 1  | -1                   | 0    | 10                                       | 5                | 3                | 10                                    |
| 0  | 1  | 0  | -2                   | 6    | 5                                        | 2.5              | 1.5              | 5                                     |
| 0  | 1  | 1  | -3                   | 9.5  | 3.33                                     | 1.67             | 1                | 3.3                                   |
| 1  | 0  | 0  | -4                   | 12   | 2.5                                      | 1.25             | 0.75             | 2.5                                   |
| 1  | 0  | 1  | -5                   | 14   | 2                                        | 1                | 0.6              | 2                                     |
| 1  | 1  | 0  | -6                   | 15.6 | 1.67                                     | 0.83             | 0.5              | 1.7                                   |
| 1  | 1  | 1  | -7                   | 16.9 | 1.43                                     | 0.71             | 0.43             | 1.4                                   |

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