



16-Bit, Single-Channel, Low-Noise, Voltage-Output DIGITAL-TO-ANALOG CONVERTER

FEATURES

- **Relative Accuracy:** ± 0.5 LSB
- **16-Bit Monotonic Over Temperature Range**
- **Low-Noise:** $24\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$
- **Fast Settling:** $5\mu\text{s}$
- **On-Chip Output Buffer Amplifier with Rail-to-Rail Operation**
- **Wide, Single Power Supply:** $+2.7\text{V}$ to $+5.5\text{V}$
- **DAC Loading Control**
- **Selectable Power-On Reset to Zero-Scale or Midscale**
- **Power-Down Mode**
- **Unipolar Straight Binary or 2's Complement Input Mode**
- **Fast SPI™ Interface with Schmitt-Triggered Inputs:**
Up To 50MHz, 1.8V/3V/5V Logic
- **Small Package:** QFN-24, 4x4mm

APPLICATIONS

- **Industrial Process Control**
- **Data Acquisition Systems**
- **Automatic Test Equipment**
- **Communications**
- **Optical Networking**

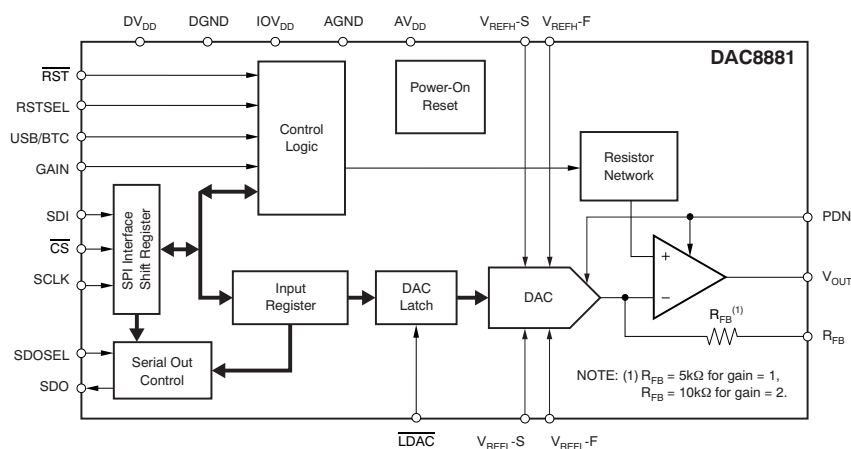
DESCRIPTION

The DAC8881 is a 16-bit, single-channel, voltage-output digital-to-analog converter (DAC) that offers low-power operation and a flexible SPI serial interface. It also features 16-bit monotonicity, excellent linearity, and fast settling time. The on-chip precision output amplifier allows rail-to-rail output swing to be achieved over the full supply range of 2.7V to 5.5V.

The device supports a standard SPI serial interface capable of operating with input data clock frequencies up to 50MHz. The DAC8881 requires an external reference voltage to set the output range of the DAC channel. A programmable power-on reset circuit is also incorporated into the device to ensure that the DAC output powers up at zero-scale or midscale, and remains there until a valid write command.

Additionally, the device has the capability to function in either unipolar straight binary or 2's complement mode. The DAC8881 provides a power-down feature, accessed over the PDN pin, that reduces the current consumption to $25\mu\text{A}$ at 5V. Power consumption is 6mW at 5V, reducing to $125\mu\text{W}$ in power-down mode.

The DAC8881 is available in a 4x4mm QFN-24 package with a specified operating temperature range of -40°C to $+105^{\circ}\text{C}$.



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ESD damage can range from subtle performance degradation to complete device failure. Precision integrated circuits may be more susceptible to damage because very small parametric changes could cause the device not to meet its published specifications.

ORDERING INFORMATION⁽¹⁾

PRODUCT	PACKAGE-LEAD	PACKAGE DESIGNATOR	SPECIFIED TEMPERATURE RANGE	PACKAGE MARKING
DAC8881	QFN-24	RGE	–40°C to +105°C	DAC8881

- (1) For the most current package and ordering information, see the Package Option Addendum at the end of this data sheet, or see the TI website at www.ti.com.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS⁽¹⁾

Over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted).

	DAC8881	UNIT
AV _{DD} to AGND	–0.3 to 6	V
DV _{DD} to DGND	–0.3 to 6	V
IOV _{DD} to DGND	–0.3 to 6	V
Digital input voltage to DGND	–0.3 to IOV _{DD} + 0.3	V
V _{OUT} to AGND	–0.3 to AV _{DD} + 0.3	V
Operating temperature range	–40 to +105	°C
Storage temperature range	–65 to +150	°C
Maximum junction temperature (T _J max)	+150	°C
ESD ratings	Human body model (HBM)	3000
	Charged device model (CDM)	1000

- (1) Stresses above those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. Exposure to absolute maximum conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

All specifications at $T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX} , $AV_{DD} = DV_{DD} = +2.7V$ to $+5.5V$, $IOV_{DD} = +1.8V$ to $+5.5V$, gain = 1X mode, unless otherwise noted.

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		DAC8881			UNIT	
			MIN	TYP	MAX		
ACCURACY							
Linearity error	Measured by line passing through codes 0200h and FE00h		±0.5		±1	LSB	
Differential linearity error	Measured by line passing through codes 0200h and FE00h		±0.25		±1	LSB	
Monotonicity			16			Bits	
Zero-scale error	T _A = +25°C, code = 0200h				±4	LSB	
	T _{MIN} to T _{MAX} , code = 0200h				±8	LSB	
Zero-scale drift	Code = 0200h		±0.5		±1	ppm/°C of FSR	
Gain error	T _A = +25°C, Measured by line passing through codes 0200h and FE00h		±4		±8	LSB	
Gain temperature drift	Measured by line passing through codes 0200h and FE00h		±0.5		±1	ppm/°C	
PSRR	V _{OUT} = full-scale, AV _{DD} = +5V ±10%				2	LSB/V	
ANALOG OUTPUT ⁽¹⁾							
Voltage output ⁽²⁾			0		AV _{DD}	V	
Output voltage drift vs time	Device operating for 500 hours		5			ppm of FSR	
	Device operating for 1000 hours		8			ppm of FSR	
Output current			2.5			mA	
Maximum load capacitance			200			pF	
Short-circuit current			+31, -50			mA	
REFERENCE INPUT ⁽¹⁾							
V _{REFH} input voltage range	AV _{DD} = +5.5V		1.25		5.0	AV _{DD}	V
	AV _{DD} = +3V		1.25		2.5	AV _{DD}	V
V _{REFH} input capacitance			5			pF	
V _{REFH} input impedance			4.5			kΩ	
V _{REFL} input voltage range			-0.2		0	+0.2	V
V _{REFL} input capacitance			4.5			pF	
V _{REFL} input impedance			5			kΩ	
DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE ⁽¹⁾							
Settling time	To ±0.003% FS, R _L = 10kΩ, C _L = 50pF, code 1000h to F000h		5			μs	
Slew rate	From 10% to 90% of 0V to +5V		2.5			V/μs	
Code change glitch	Code = 7FFFh to 8000h to 7FFFh	V _{REFH} = 5V, gain = 1X mode	37			nV-s	
		V _{REFH} = 2.5V, gain = 1X mode	18			nV-s	
		V _{REFH} = 1.25V, gain = 1X mode	9			nV-s	
		V _{REFH} = 2.5V, gain = 2X mode	21			nV-s	
		V _{REFH} = 1.25V, gain = 2X mode	10			nV-s	
Digital feedthrough			1			nV-s	
Output noise voltage density	f = 1kHz to 100kHz, full-scale output	Gain = 1	24		30	nV/√Hz	
		Gain = 2	40		48	nV/√Hz	
Output noise voltage	f = 0.1Hz to 10Hz, full-scale output		2			μV _{PP}	

(1) Ensured by design. Not production tested.

(2) The output from the V_{OUT} pin = $[(V_{REFH} - V_{REFL})/65536] \times CODE \times \text{Buffer GAIN} + V_{REFL}$. The maximum range of V_{OUT} is 0V to AV_{DD} . The full-scale of the output must be less than AV_{DD} ; otherwise, output saturation occurs.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

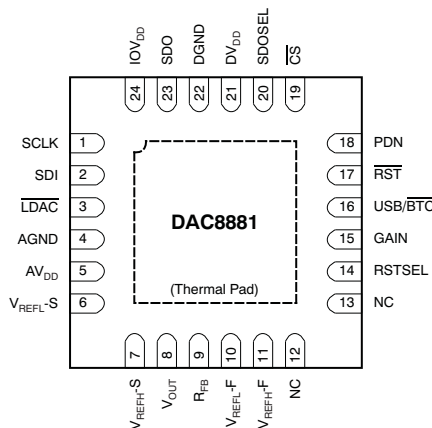
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PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	DAC8881			UNIT
		MIN	TYP	MAX	
DIGITAL INPUTS ⁽³⁾					
High-level input voltage, V _{IH}	IOV _{DD} = 4.5V to 5.5V	3.8	IOV _{DD} + 0.3	V	
	IOV _{DD} = 2.7V to 3.3V	2.1	IOV _{DD} + 0.3	V	
	IOV _{DD} = 1.7V to 2.0V	1.5	IOV _{DD} + 0.3	V	
Low-level input voltage, V _{IL}	IOV _{DD} = 4.5V to 5.5V	−0.3	0.8	V	
	IOV _{DD} = 2.7V to 3.3V	−0.3	0.6	V	
	IOV _{DD} = 1.7V to 2.0V	−0.3	0.3	V	
Digital input current (I _{IN})			±1	±10	μA
Digital input capacitance			5		pF
DIGITAL OUTPUT ⁽³⁾					
High-level output voltage, V _{OH}	IOV _{DD} = 2.7V to 5.5V, I _{OH} = −1mA	IOV _{DD} − 0.2			V
	IOV _{DD} = 1.7V to 2.0V, I _{OH} = −500μA	IOV _{DD} − 0.2			V
Low-level output voltage, V _{OL}	IOV _{DD} = 2.7V to 5.5V, I _{OL} = 1mA	0.2			V
	IOV _{DD} = 1.7 to 2.0V, I _{OL} = 500μA	0.2			V
POWER SUPPLY					
AV _{DD}		+2.7		+5.5	V
DV _{DD}		+2.7		+5.5	V
IOV _{DD}		+1.7		DV _{DD}	V
AI _{DD}	V _{IH} = IOV _{DD} , V _{IL} = DGND			1.5	mA
DI _{DD}	V _{IH} = IOV _{DD} , V _{IL} = DGND		1	10	μA
IOI _{DD}	V _{IH} = IOV _{DD} , V _{IL} = DGND		1	10	μA
AI _{DD} power-down	PDN = IOV _{DD}		25	50	μA
Power dissipation	AV _{DD} = DV _{DD} = 5.0V		6	7.5	mW
TEMPERATURE RANGE					
Specified performance		−40		+105	°C

(3) Ensured by design. Not production tested.

PIN CONFIGURATION

RGE PACKAGE⁽¹⁾ QFN-24 (TOP VIEW)



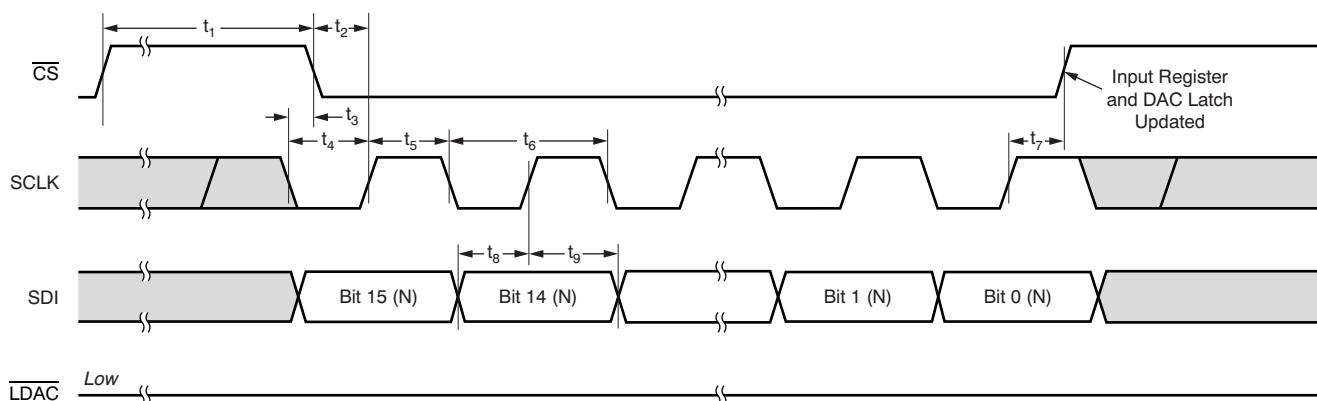
- (1) The thermal pad is internally connected to the substrate. This pad can be connected to the analog ground or left floating. Keep the thermal pad separate from the digital ground, if possible.

TERMINAL FUNCTIONS

TERMINAL		I/O	DESCRIPTION
NO.	NAME		
1	SCLK	I	SPI bus serial clock input
2	SDI	I	SPI bus serial data input
3	LDAC	I	Load DAC latch control input (active low). When LDAC is low, the DAC latch is transparent, and the contents of the input register are transferred to the DAC latch. The DAC output changes to the corresponding level simultaneously when the DAC latch is updated.
4	AGND	I	Analog ground
5	AVDD	I	Analog power supply
6	VREFL-S	I	Reference low input sense
7	VREFH-S	I	Reference high input sense
8	VOUT	O	Output of output buffer
9	RFB	I	Feedback resistor connected to the inverting input of the output buffer.
10	VREFL-F	I	Reference low input force
11	VREFH-F	I	Reference high input force
12	NC	—	Do not connect.
13	NC	—	Do not connect.
14	RSTSEL	I	Selects the value of the output from the VOUT pin after power-on or hardware reset. If RSTSEL = IOVDD, then register data = 8000h. If RSTSEL = DGND, then register data = 0000h.
15	GAIN	I	Buffer gain setting. Gain = 1 when the pin is connected to DGND; Gain = 2 when the pin is connected to IOVDD.
16	USB/BTC	I	Input data format selection. Input data are straight binary format when the pin is connected to IOVDD, and in two's complement format when the pin is connected to DGND.
17	RST	I	Reset input (active low). Logic low on this pin causes the device to perform a reset.
18	PDN	I	Power-down input (active high). Logic high on this pin forces the device into power-down status. In power-down, the VOUT pin connects to AGND through 10kΩ resistor.
19	CS	I	SPI bus chip select input (active low). Data bits are not clocked into the serial shift register unless CS is low. When CS is high, SDO is in high-impedance status.
20	SDOSEL	I	SPI serial data output selection. When SDOSEL is tied to IOVDD, the contents of the existing input register are shifted out from the SDO pin; this is Stand-Alone mode. When SDOSEL is tied to DGND, the contents in the SPI input shift register are shifted out from the SDO pin; this is Daisy-Chain mode for daisy chaining communication.
21	DVDD	I	Digital power supply (connect to AVDD, pin 5)
22	DGND	I	Digital ground
23	SDO	O	SPI bus serial data output. Refer to the Timing Diagrams for further detail.
24	IOVDD	I	Interface power. Connect to +1.8V for 1.8V logic, +3V for 3V logic, and to +5V for 5V logic.

TIMING DIAGRAMS

Case 1: Standalone operation without SDO, $\overline{\text{LDAC}}$ tied low.



Case 2: Standalone operation without SDO, $\overline{\text{LDAC}}$ active.

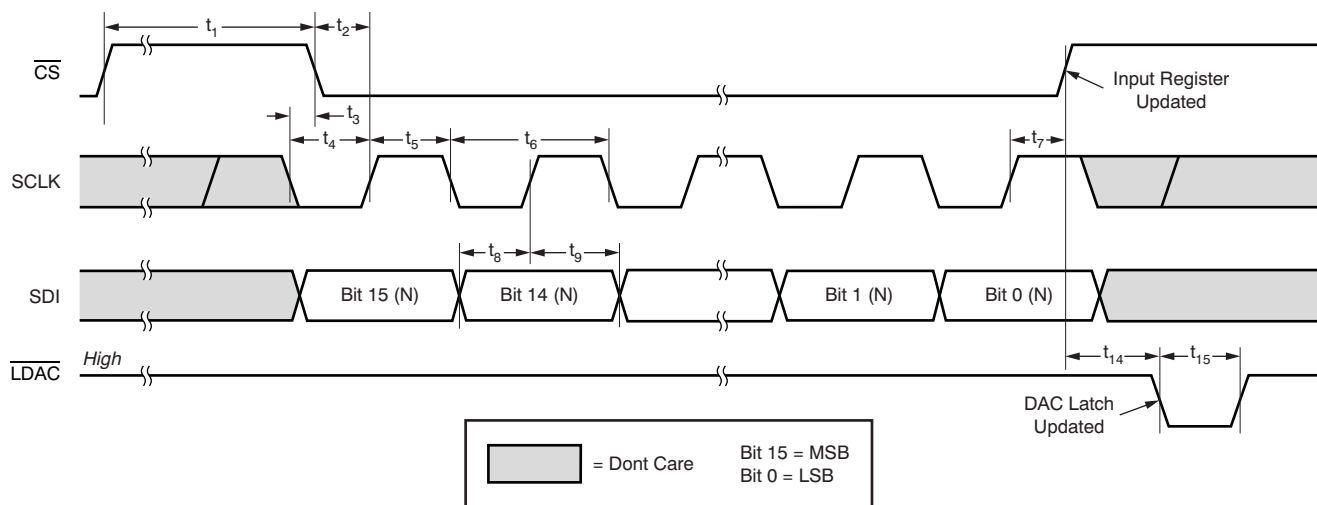


Figure 1. Timing Diagram of Standalone Operation without SDO

TIMING CHARACTERISTICS for Figure 1 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾

At –40°C to +105°C, unless otherwise noted.

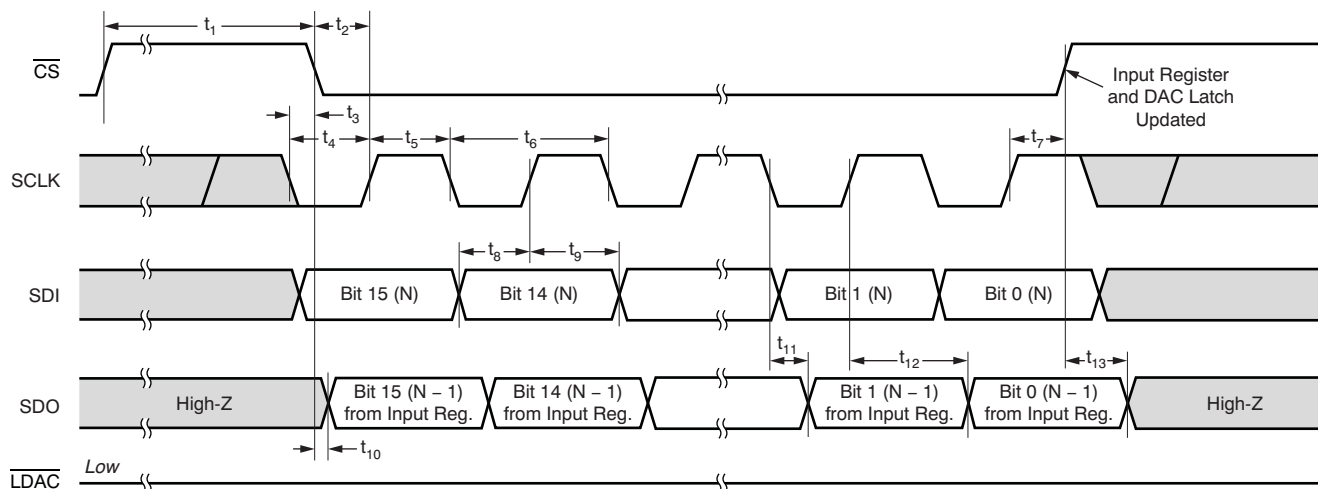
PARAMETER		CONDITIONS	MIN	MAX	UNIT
f _{SCLK}	Maximum clock frequency	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		40	MHz
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		50	MHz
t ₁	Minimum $\overline{CS}$ high time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	50		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	30		ns
t ₂	$\overline{CS}$ falling edge to SCLK rising edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	8		ns
t ₃	SCLK falling edge to $\overline{CS}$ falling edge setup time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
t ₄	SCLK low time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
t ₅	SCLK high time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	15		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
t ₆	SCLK cycle time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	25		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	20		ns
t ₇	SCLK rising edge to $\overline{CS}$ rising edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
t ₈	Input data setup time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	8		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
t ₉	Input data hold time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
t ₁₄	$\overline{CS}$ rising edge to $\overline{LDAC}$ falling edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
t ₁₅	$\overline{LDAC}$ pulse width	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	15		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns

(1) All input signals are specified with t_R = t_F = 2ns (10% to 90% of IOV_{DD}) and timed from a voltage level of IOV_{DD}/2.

(2) Ensured by design. Not production tested.

(3) Sample tested during the initial release and after any redesign or process changes that may affect these parameters.

Case 1: Standalone operation with output from SDO, $\overline{\text{LDAC}}$ tied low.



Case 2: Standalone operation with output from SDO, $\overline{\text{LDAC}}$ active.

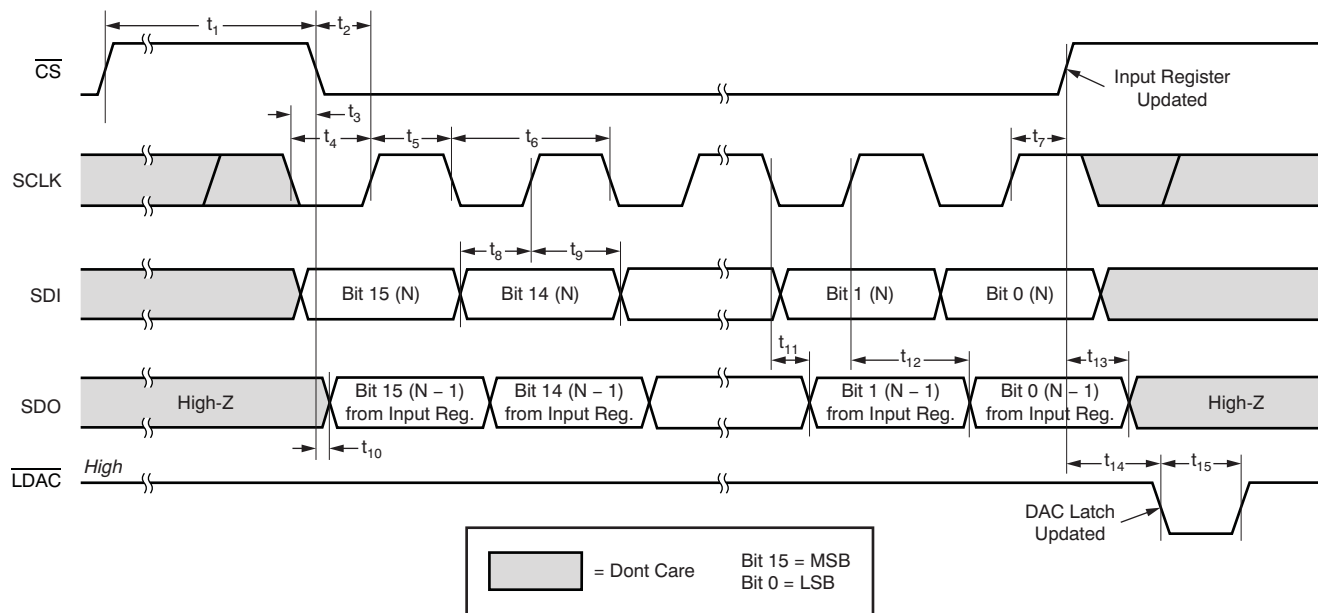
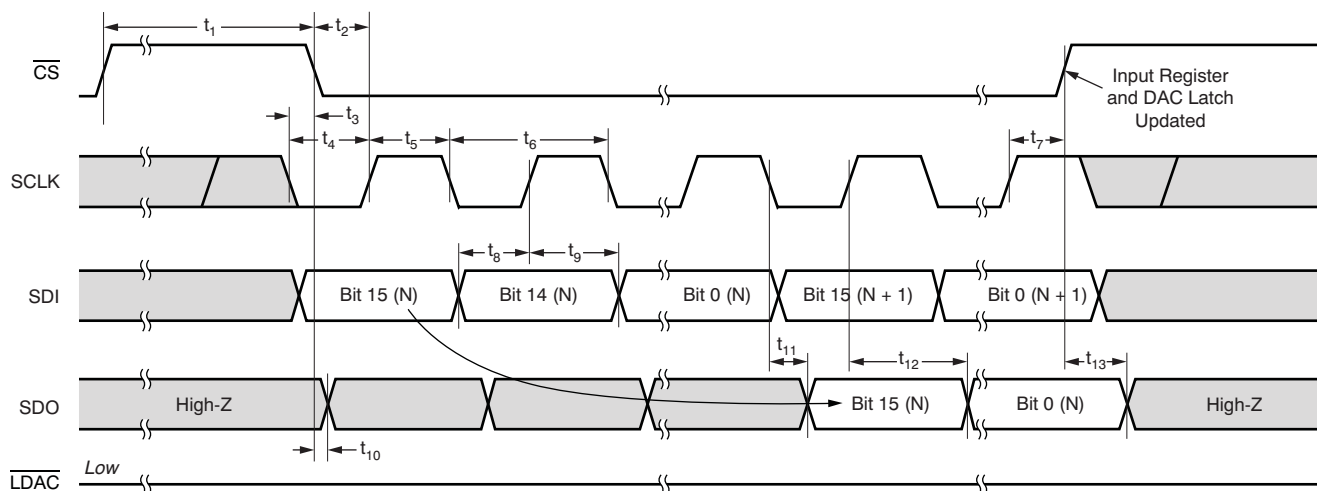


Figure 2. Timing Diagram of Standalone Operation with SDO

Case 1: Daisy Chain, $\overline{\text{LDAC}}$ tied low.



Case 2: Daisy Chain, $\overline{\text{LDAC}}$ active.

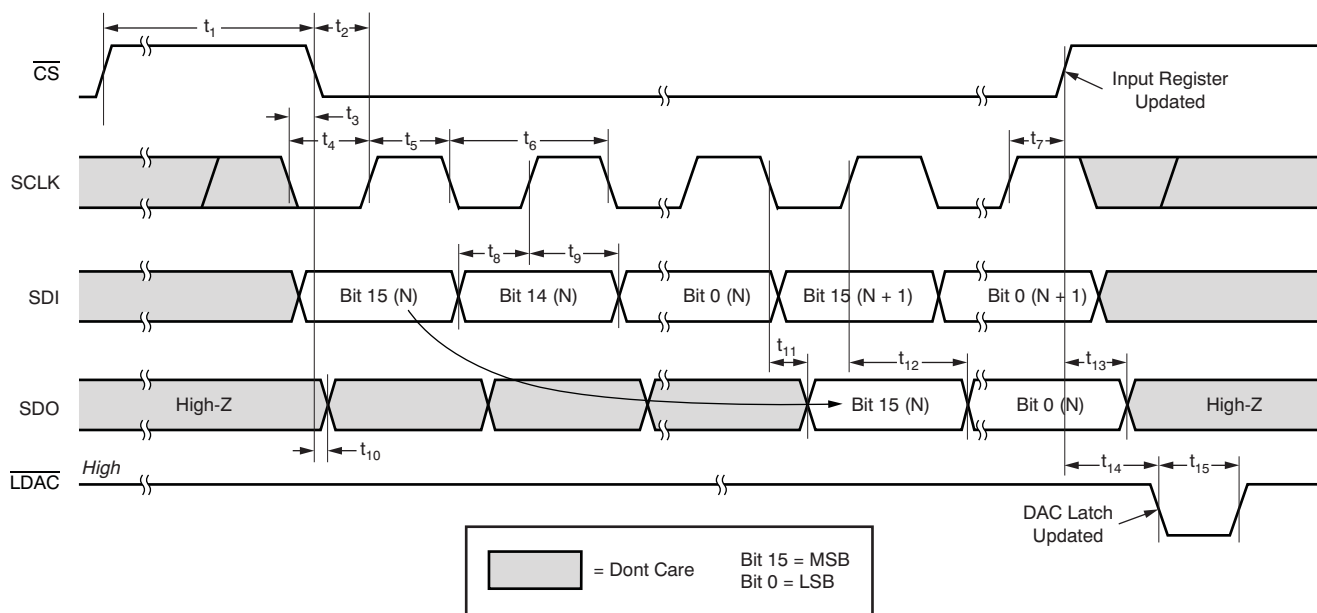


Figure 3. Timing Diagram of Daisy Chain Mode, Two Cascaded Devices

TIMING CHARACTERISTICS for Figure 2 and Figure 3⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾

At –40°C to +105°C, unless otherwise noted.

PARAMETER		CONDITIONS	MIN	MAX	UNIT
f _{SCLK}	Maximum clock frequency	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		20	MHz
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		25	MHz
t ₁	Minimum $\overline{\text{CS}}$ high time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	50		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	30		ns
t ₂	$\overline{\text{CS}}$ falling edge to SCLK rising edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	8		ns
t ₃	SCLK falling edge to $\overline{\text{CS}}$ falling edge setup time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
t ₄	SCLK low time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	25		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	20		ns
t ₅	SCLK high time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	25		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	20		ns
t ₆	SCLK cycle time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	50		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	40		ns
t ₇	SCLK rising edge to $\overline{\text{CS}}$ rising edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
t ₈	Input data setup time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
t ₉	Input data hold time	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
t ₁₀	SDO active from $\overline{\text{CS}}$ falling edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		15	ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		10	ns
t ₁₁	SDO data valid from SCLK falling edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		20	ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		15	ns
t ₁₂	SDO data hold from SCLK rising edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	25		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	20		ns
t ₁₃	SDO High-Z from $\overline{\text{CS}}$ rising edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		8	ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}		5	ns
t ₁₄	$\overline{\text{CS}}$ rising edge to $\overline{\text{LDAC}}$ falling edge	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	5		ns
t ₁₅	$\overline{\text{LDAC}}$ pulse width	2.7 ≤ DV _{DD} < 3.6V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	15		ns
		3.6 ≤ DV _{DD} ≤ 5.5V, 2.7 ≤ IOV _{DD} ≤ DV _{DD}	10		ns

(1) All input signals are specified with t_R = t_F = 2ns (10% to 90% of IOV_{DD}) and timed from a voltage level of IOV_{DD}/2.

(2) Ensured by design. Not production tested.

(3) Sample tested during the initial release and after any redesign or process changes that may affect these parameters.

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS: $V_{DD} = +5V$

At $T_A = +25^\circ\text{C}$, $V_{REFH} = +5.0V$, $V_{REFL} = 0V$, and Gain = 1X Mode, unless otherwise noted.

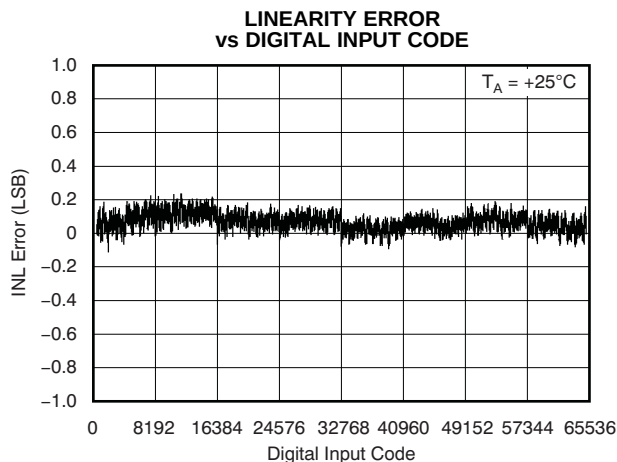


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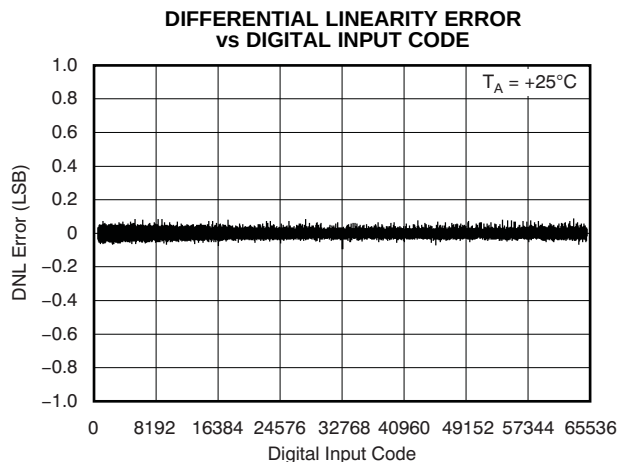


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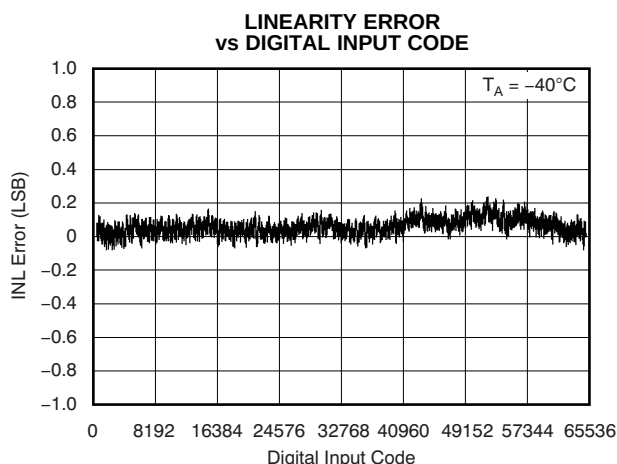


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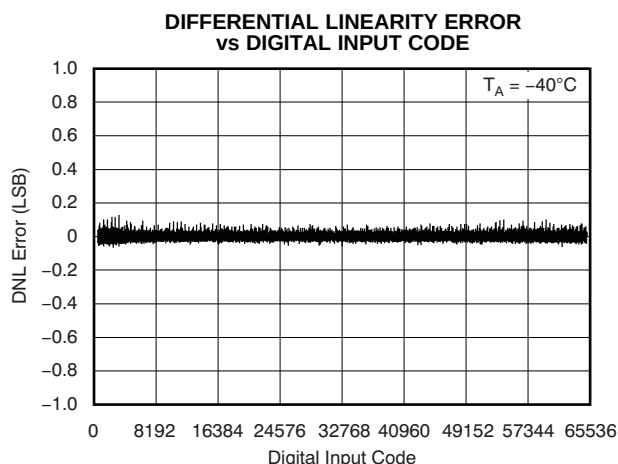


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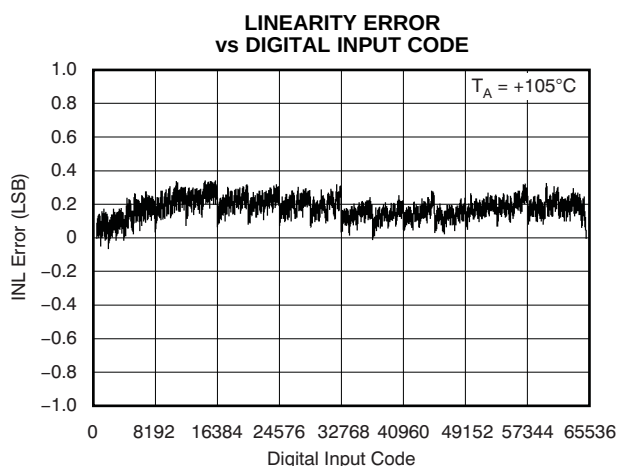


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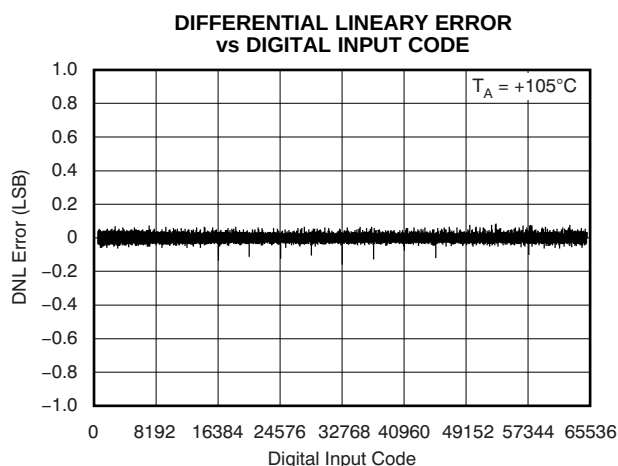
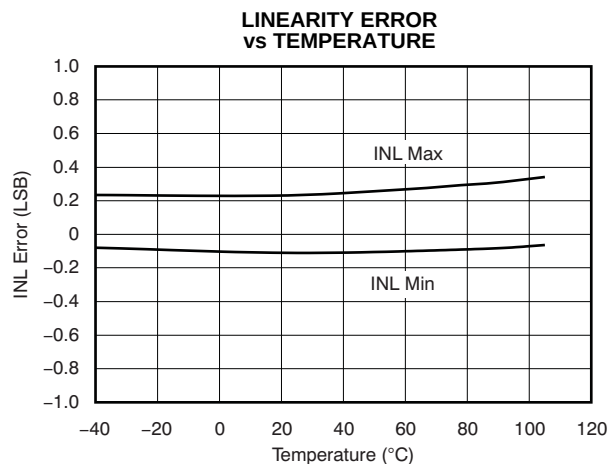
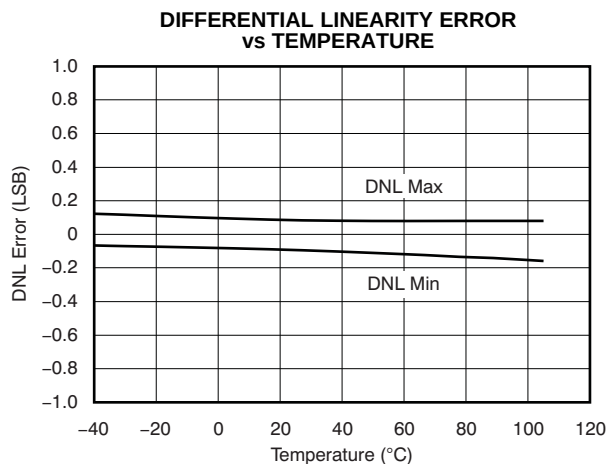
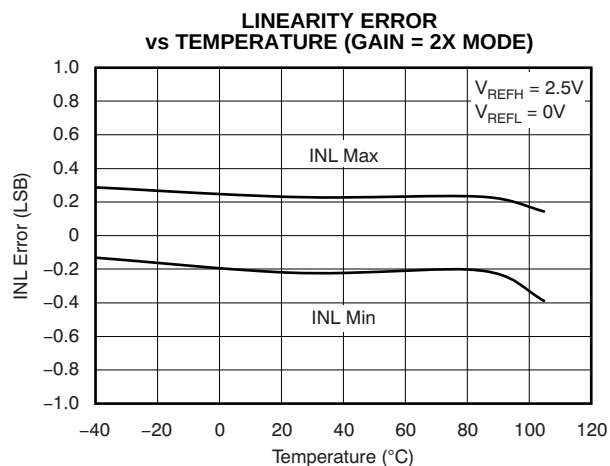
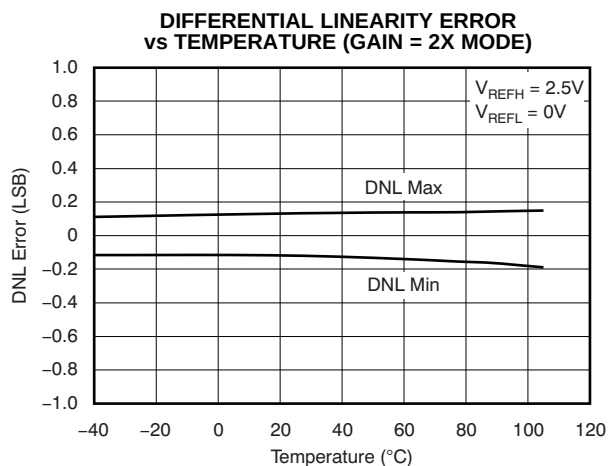
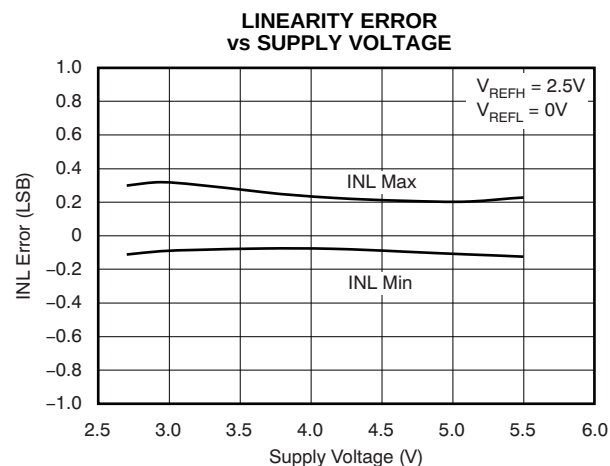
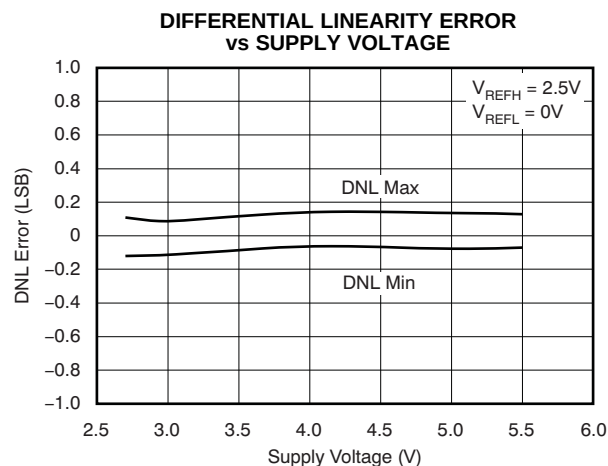


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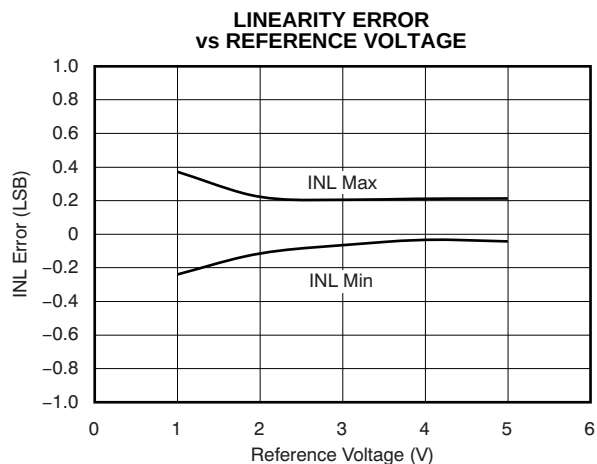


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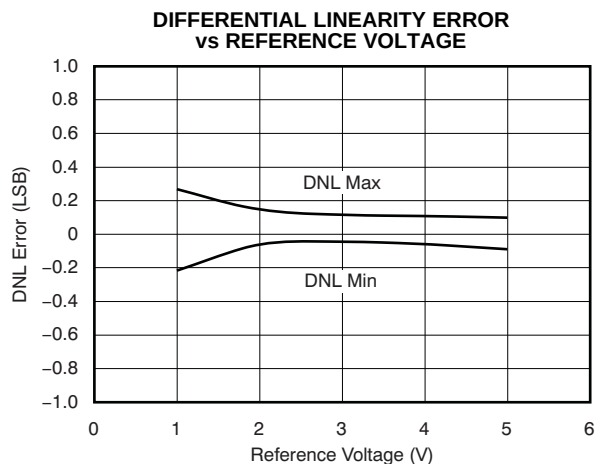


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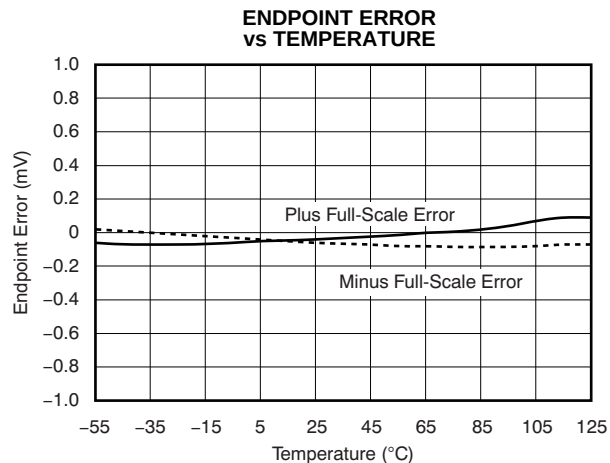


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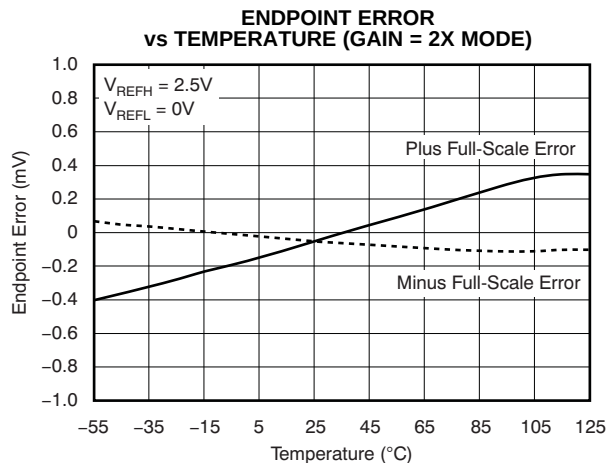


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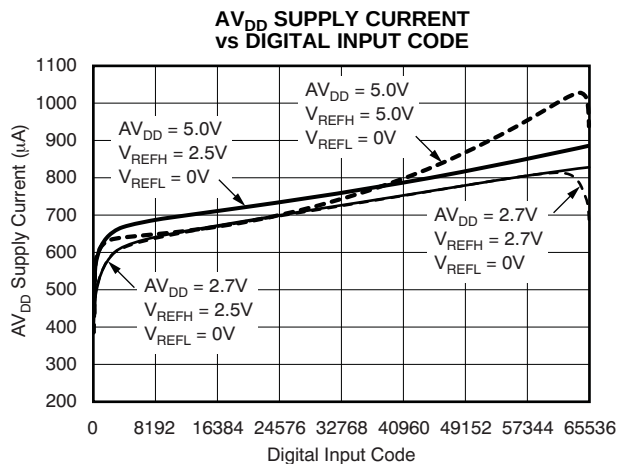


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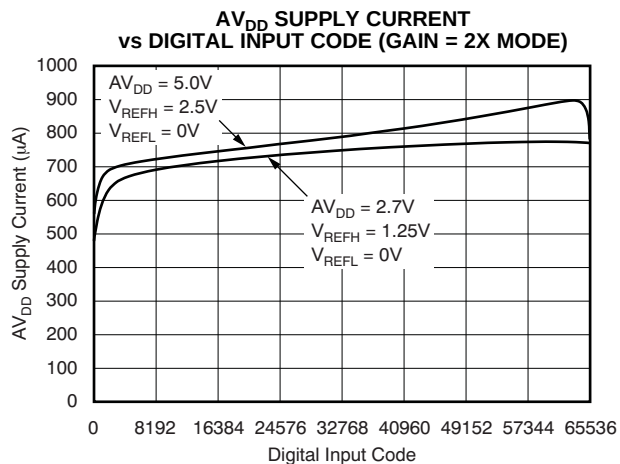
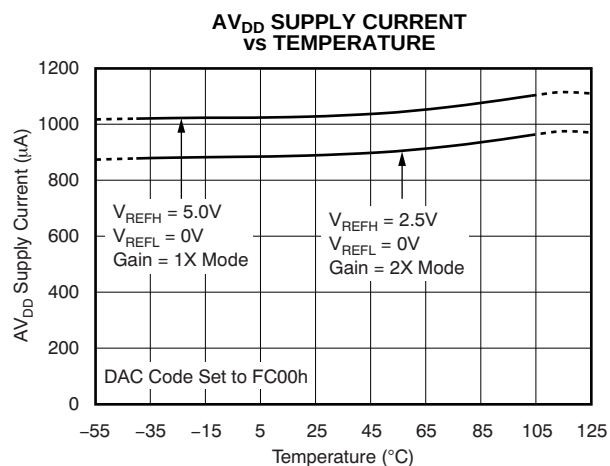
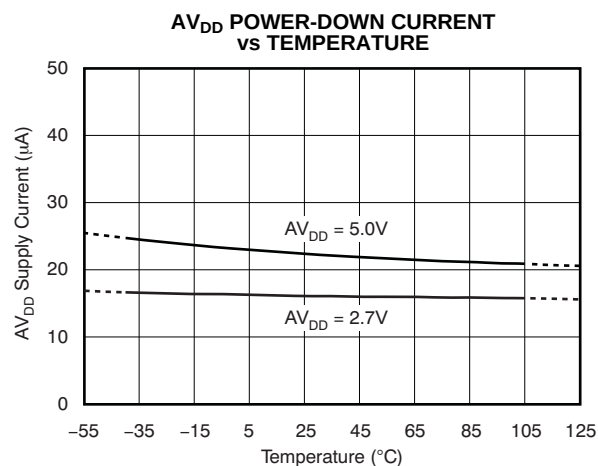
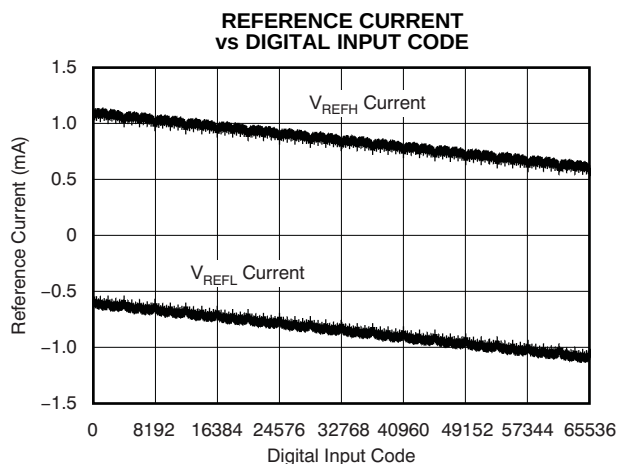
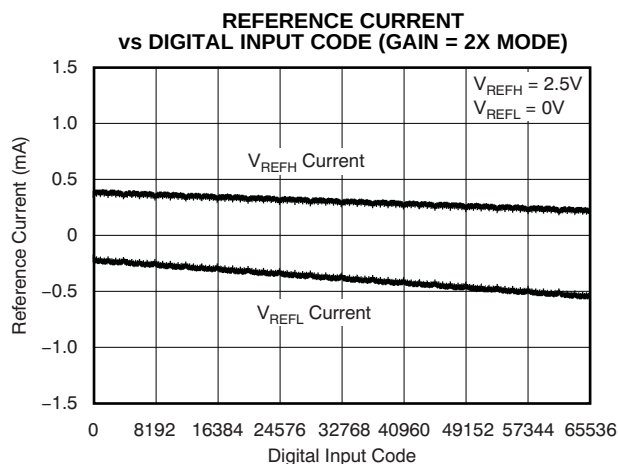
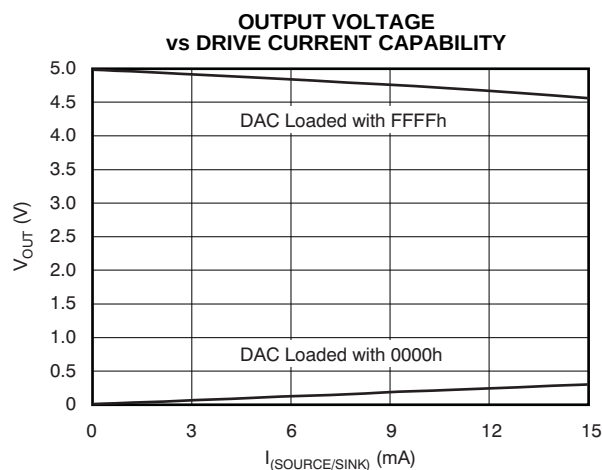
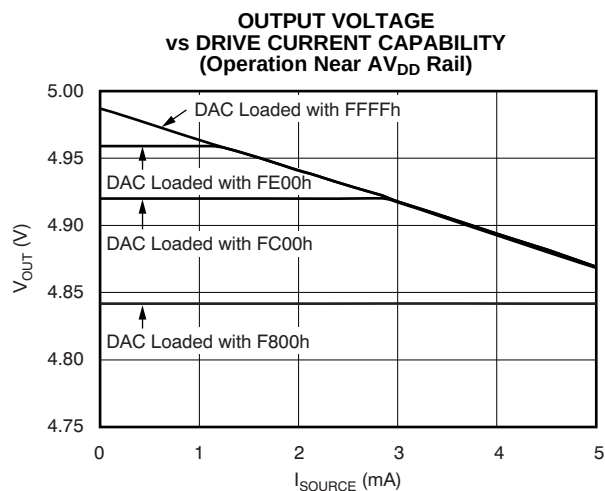


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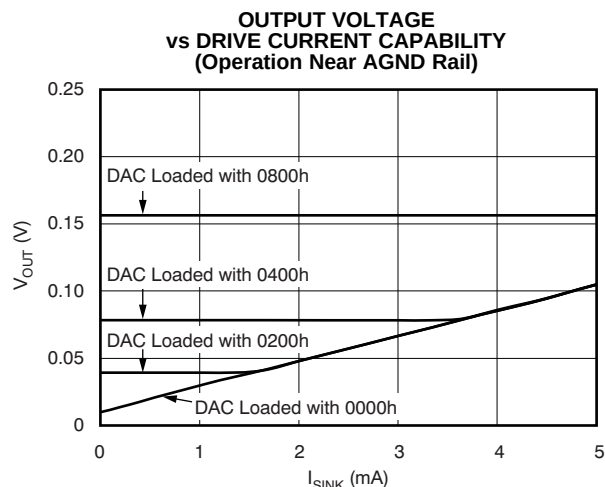


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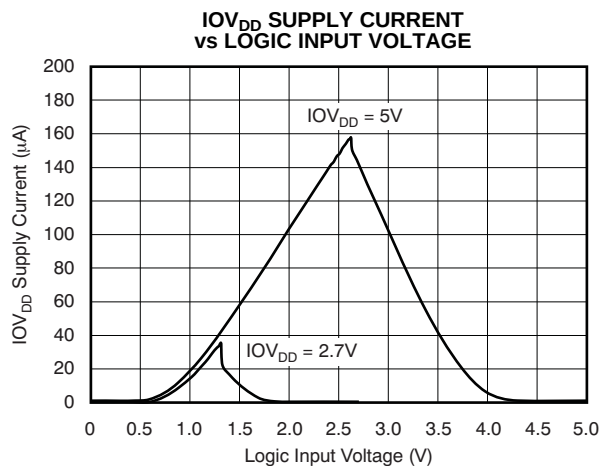


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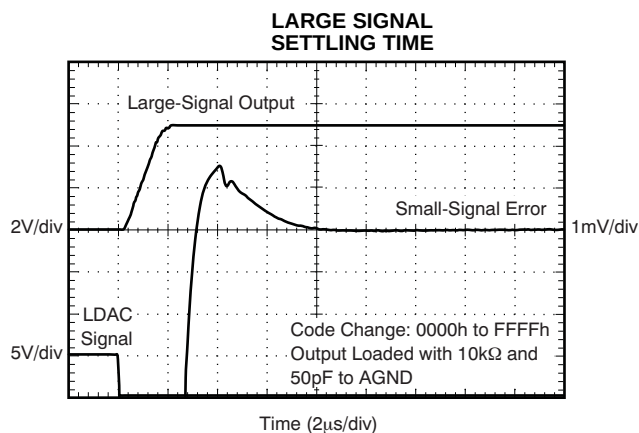


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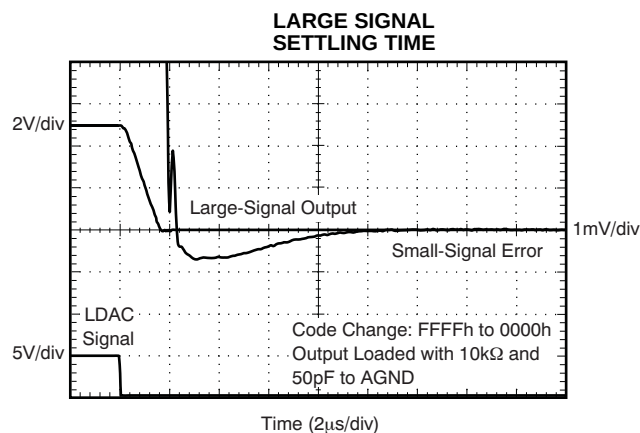


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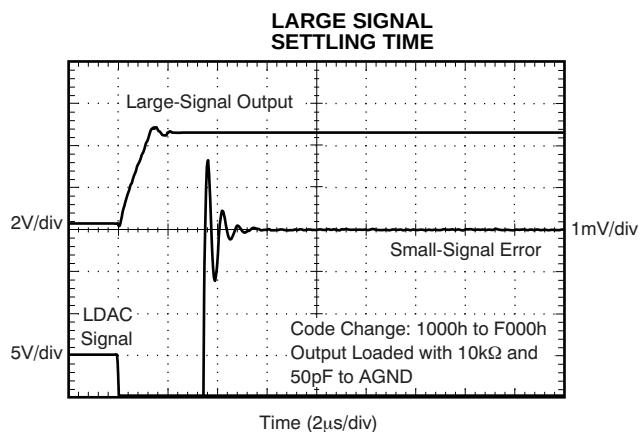


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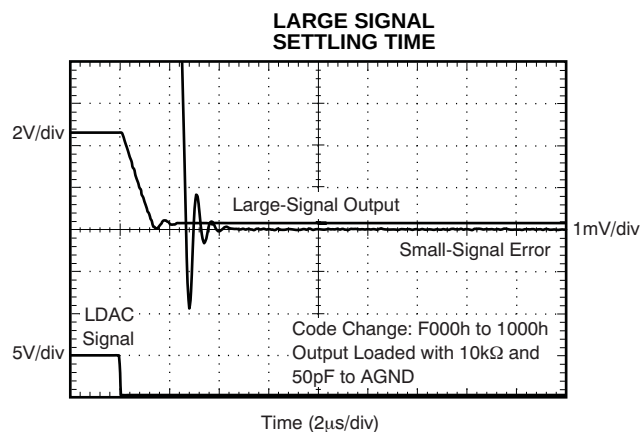
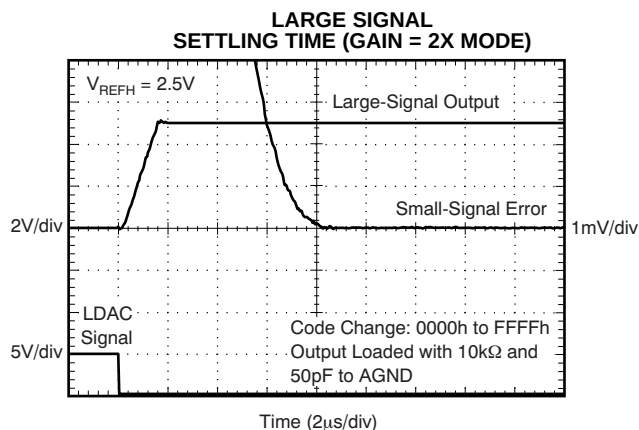
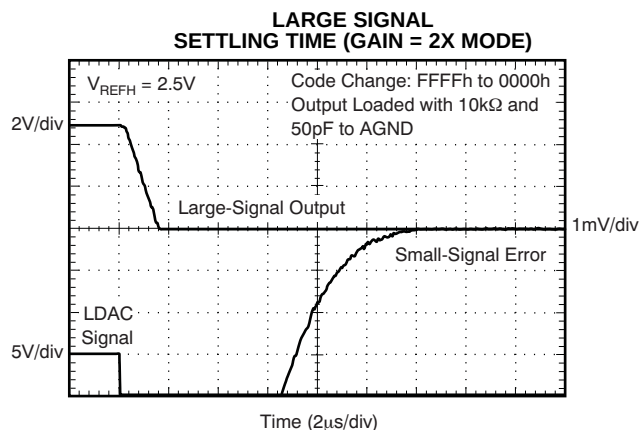
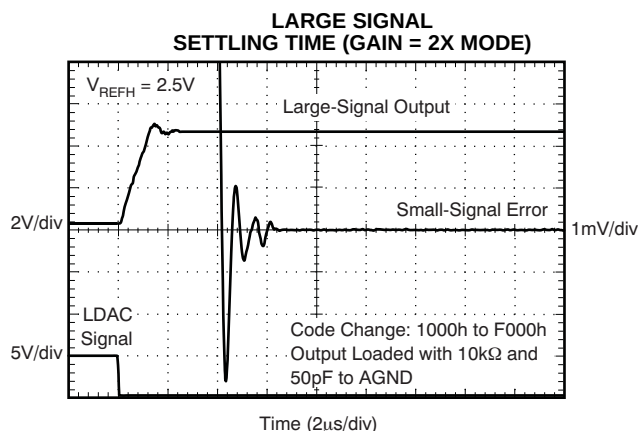
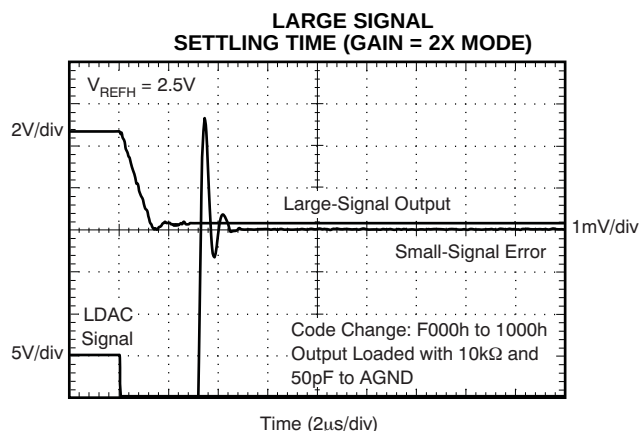
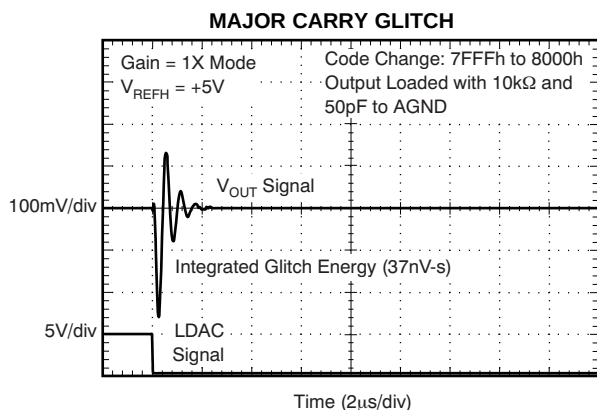
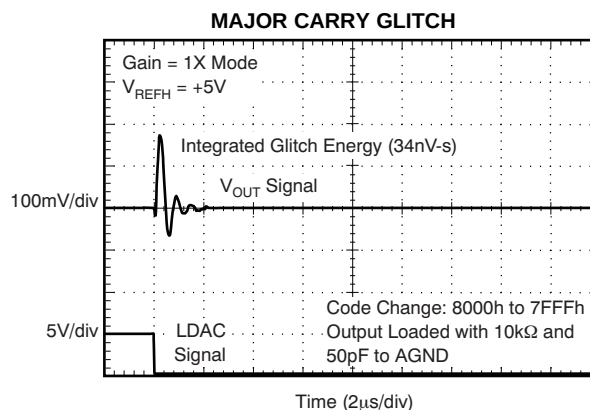


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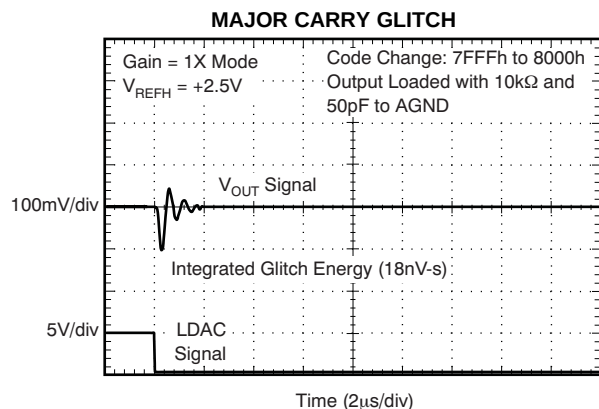
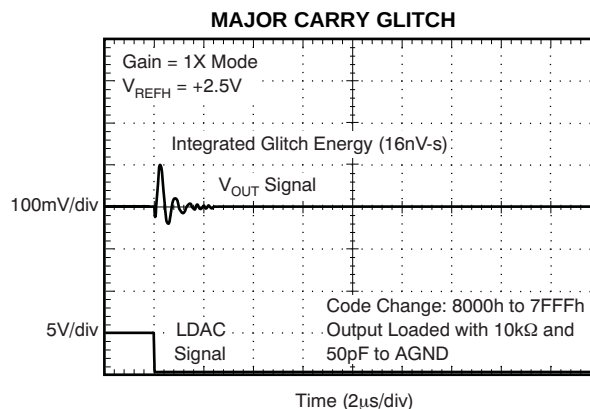
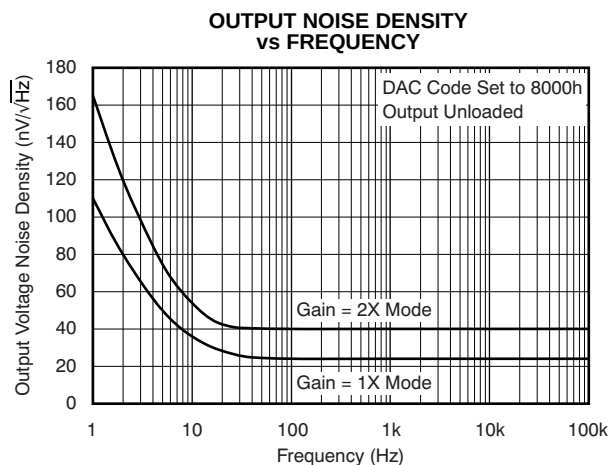
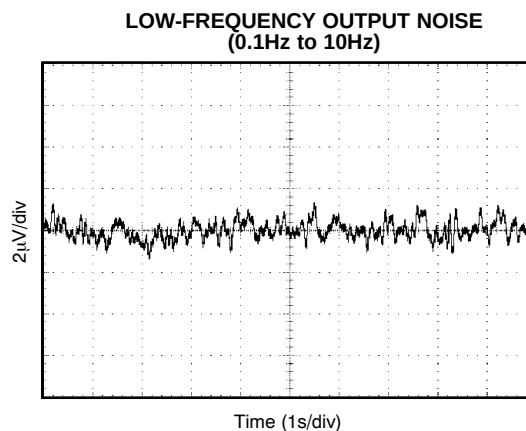
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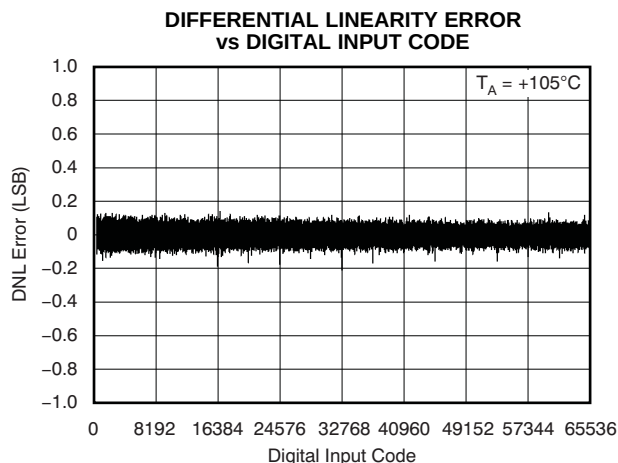
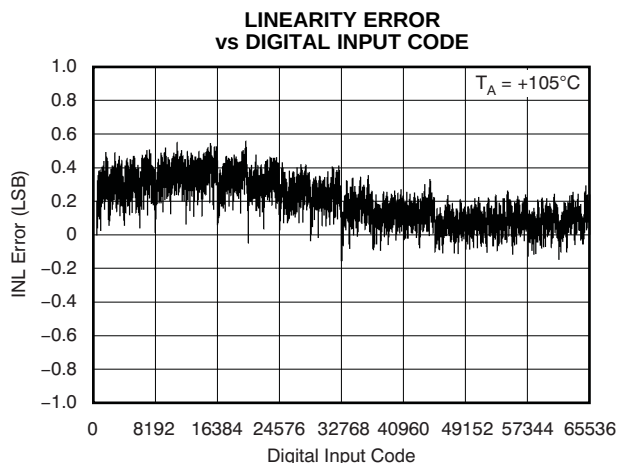
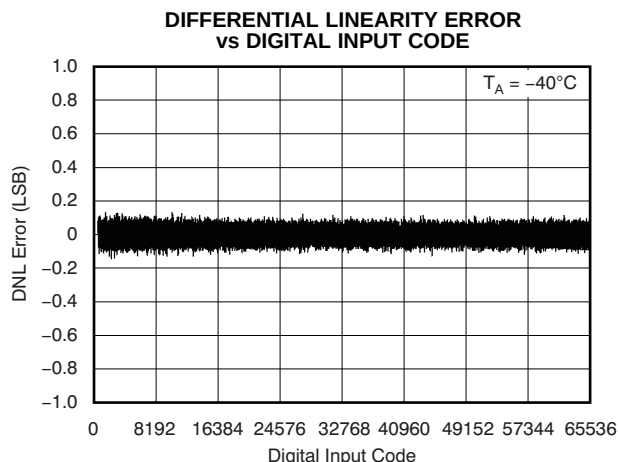
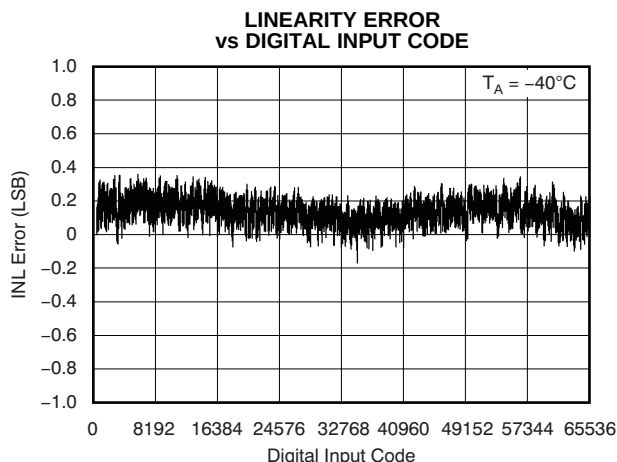
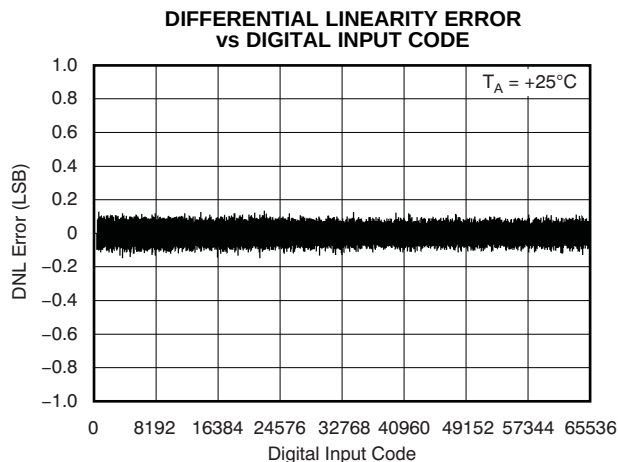
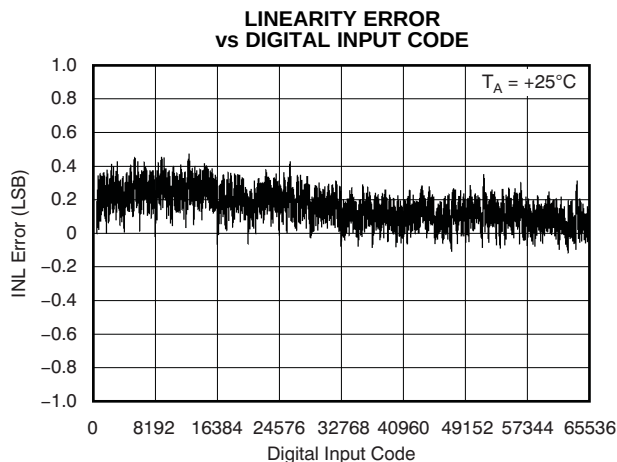
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TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS: $V_{DD} = +2.7V$

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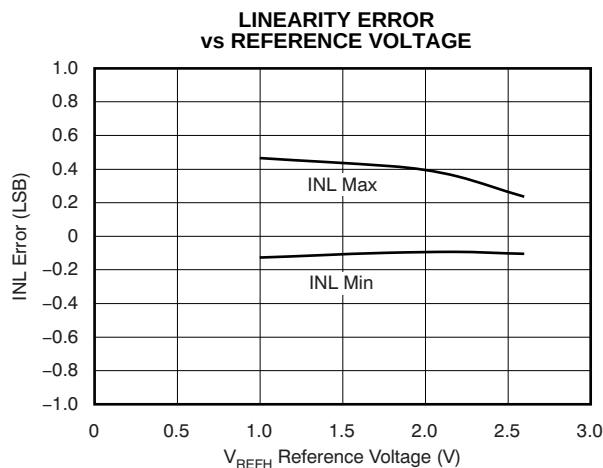


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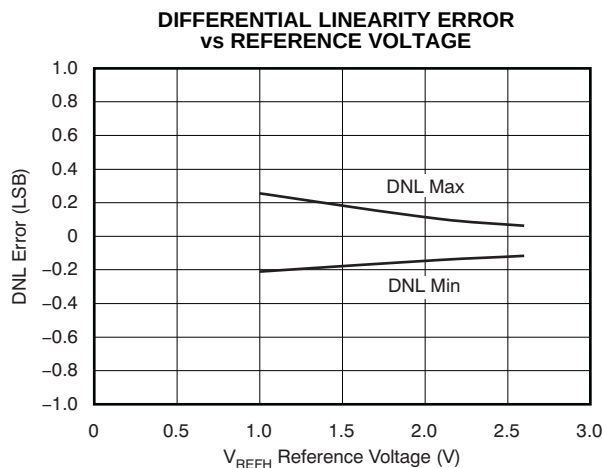


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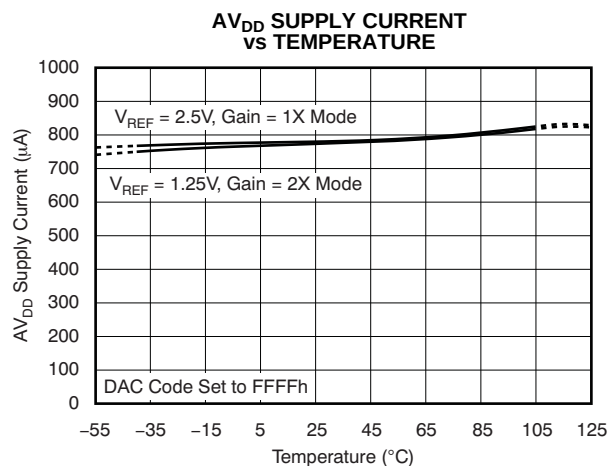


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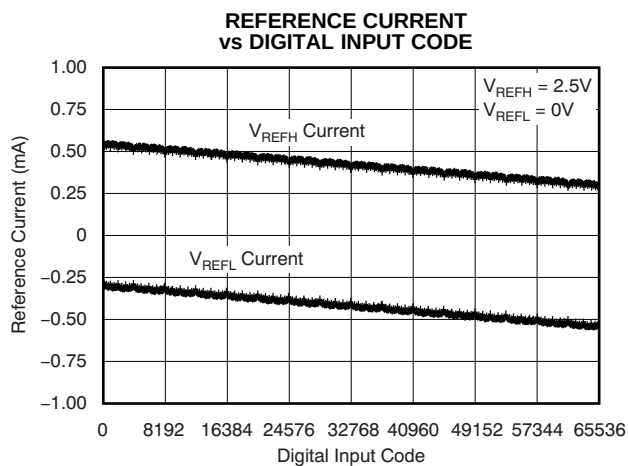


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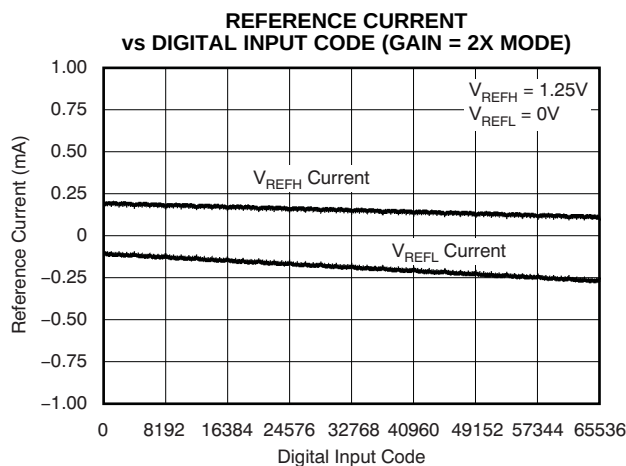


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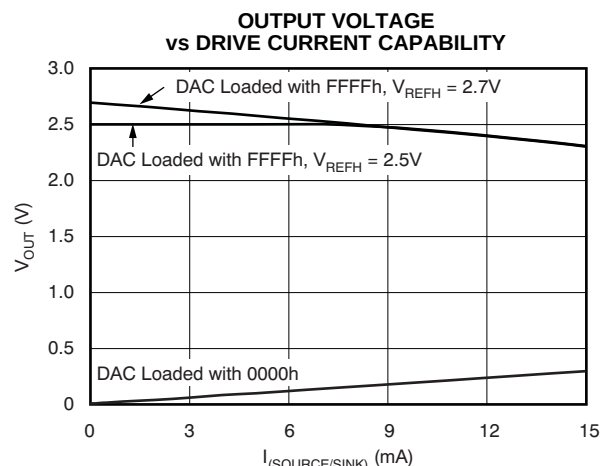
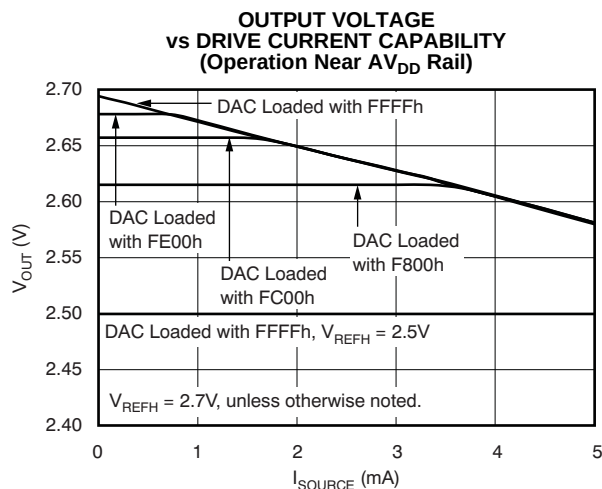
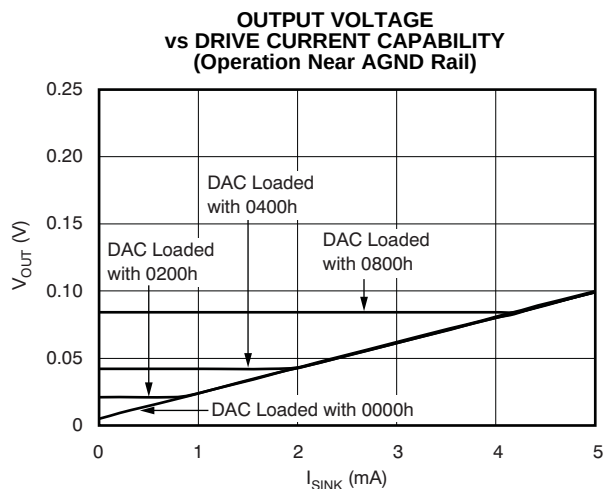
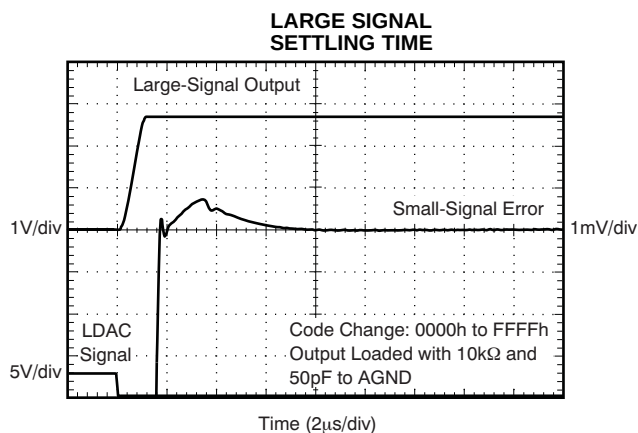
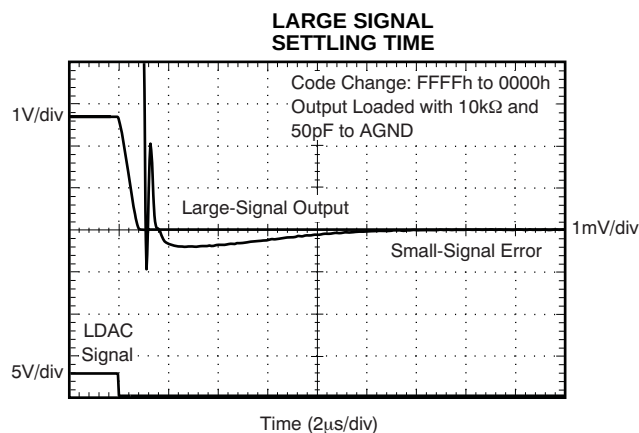
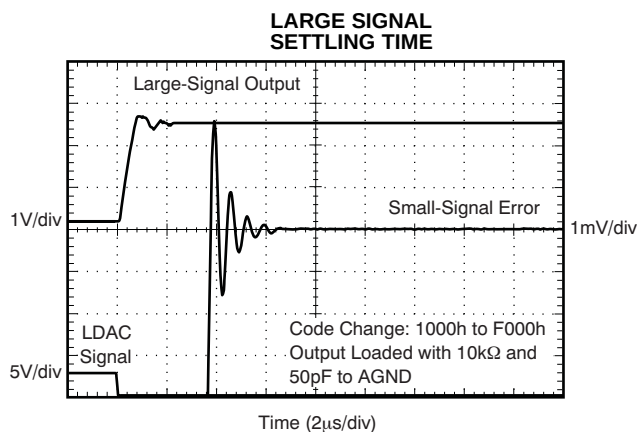
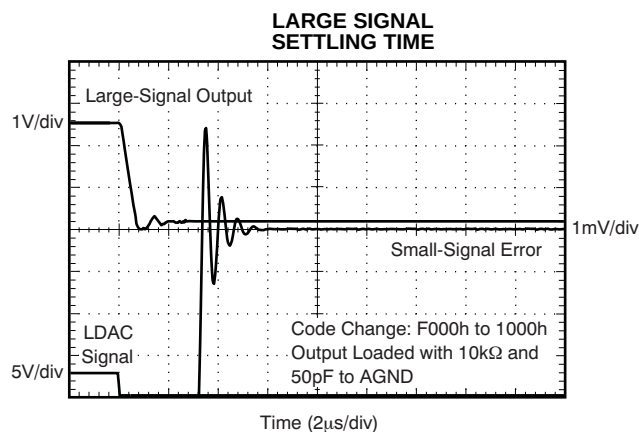


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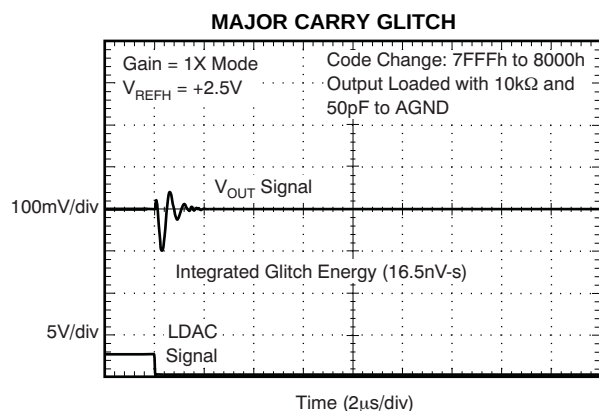
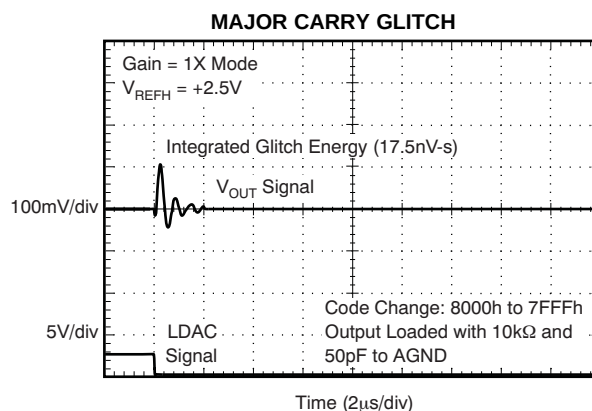
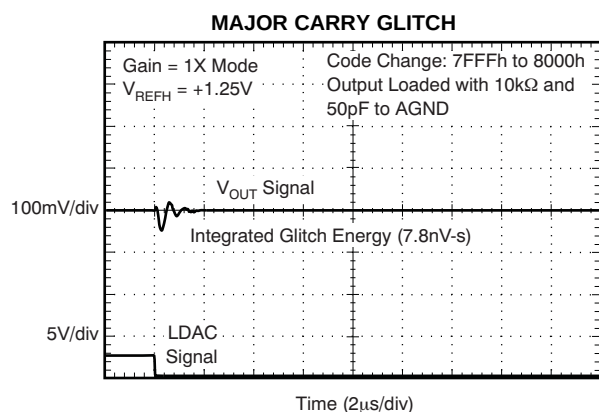
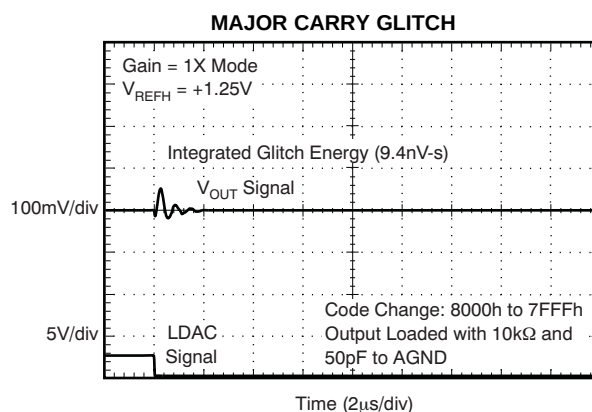
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**Figure 56.****Figure 57.****Figure 58.****Figure 59.****Figure 60.****Figure 61.**

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**Figure 62.****Figure 63.****Figure 64.****Figure 65.**

THEORY OF OPERATION

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The DAC8881 is a single-channel, 16-bit, serial-input, voltage-output digital-to-analog converter (DAC). The architecture is an R-2R ladder configuration with the four MSBs segmented, followed by an operational amplifier that serves as a buffer, as shown in Figure 66. The on-chip output buffer allows rail-to-rail output swings while providing a low output impedance to drive loads. The DAC8881 operates from a single analog power supply that ranges from 2.7V to 5.5V, and typically consumes 850μA when operating with a 3V supply. Data are written to the device in a 16-bit word format, via an SPI serial interface. To enable compatibility with 1.8V, 3V, or 5V logic families, an IOV_{DD} supply pin is provided. This pin allows the DAC8881 input and output logic to be powered from the same logic supply used to interface signals to and from the device. Internal voltage translators are included in the DAC8881 to interface digital signals to the device core. Separate AV_{DD} and DV_{DD} supply pins are provided, but should be connected together. See Figure 67 for the basic configuration of the DAC8881.

To ensure a known power-up state, the DAC8881 is designed with a power-on reset function. Upon power-up, the DAC8881 is reset to either zero-scale or midscale depending on the state of the RSTSEL pin. The device can also be hardware reset by using the $\overline{\text{RST}}$ and RSTSEL pins.

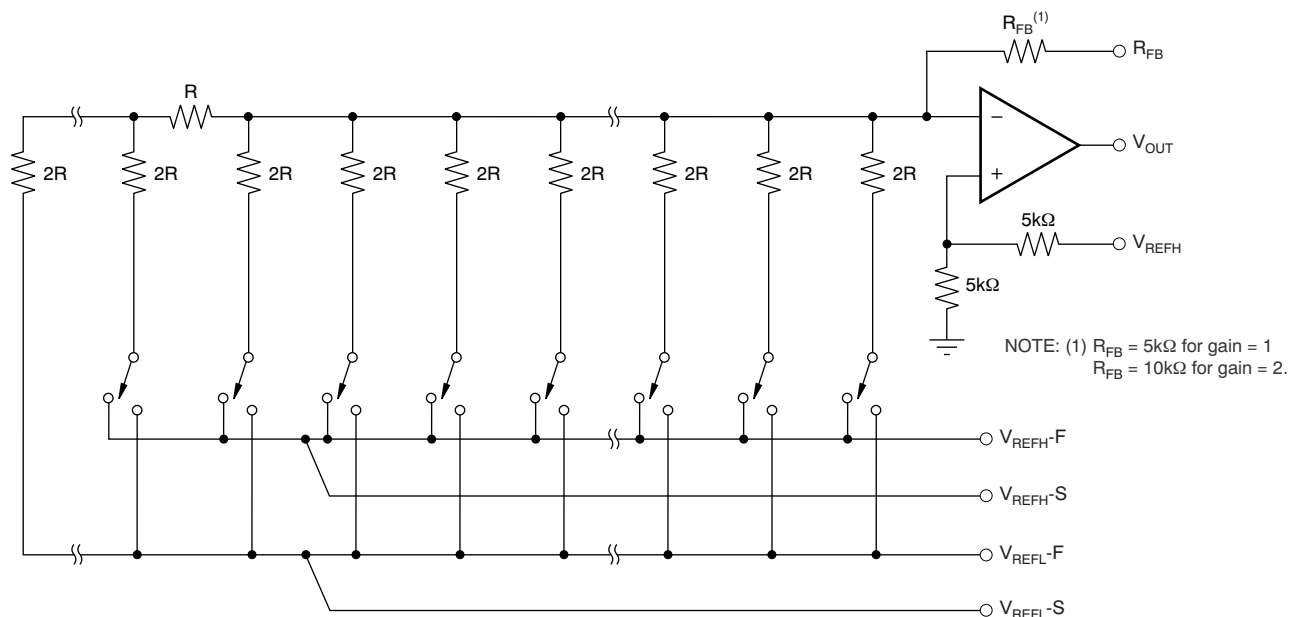


Figure 66. DAC8881 Architecture

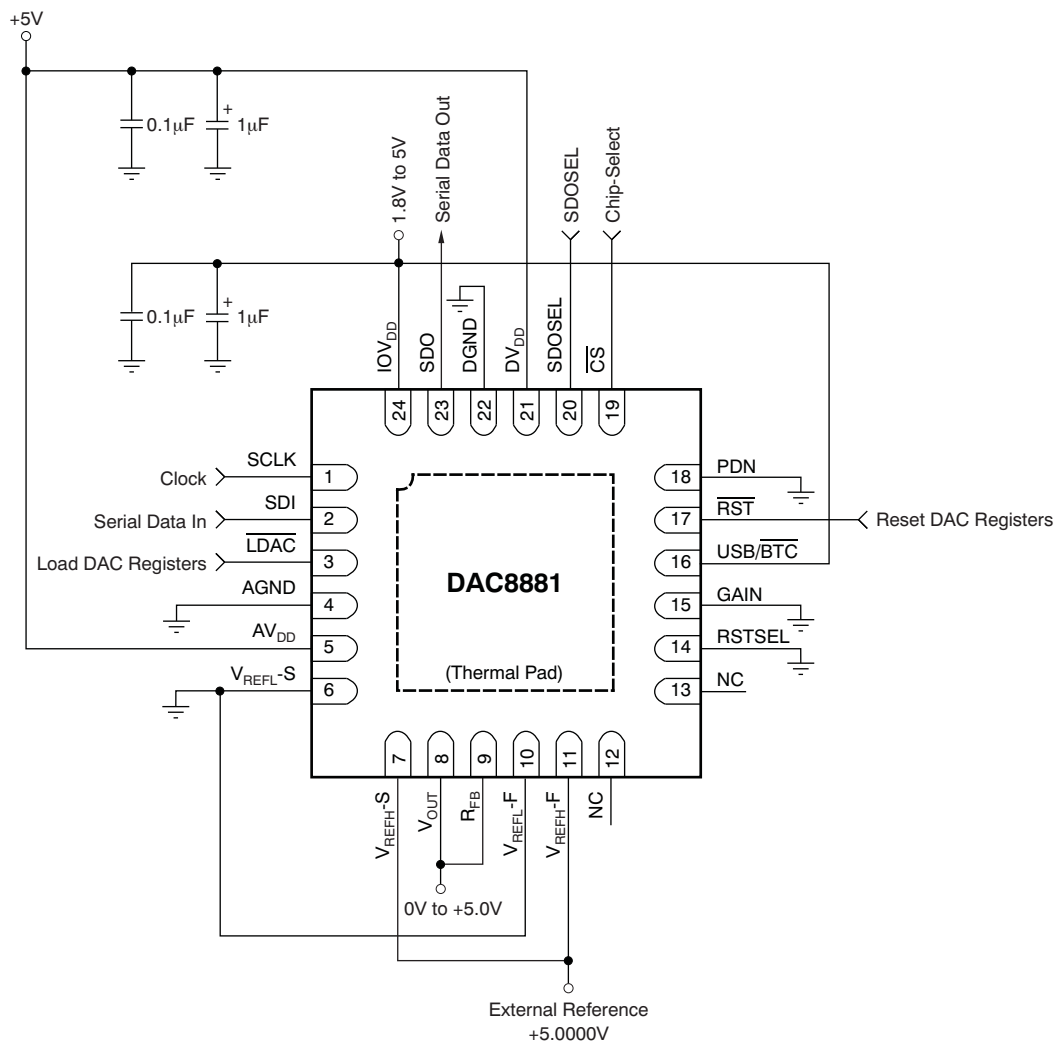


Figure 67. Basic Configuration

ANALOG OUTPUT

The DAC8881 offers a force and sense output configuration for the high open-loop gain output amplifier. This feature allows the loop around the output amplifier to be closed at the load (as shown in Figure 68), thus ensuring an accurate output voltage. The output buffer V_{OUT} and R_{FB} pins are provided so that the output op amp buffer feedback can be connected at the load. Without a driven load, the DAC8881 output typically swings to within 15mV of the AGND and AV_{DD} supply rails. Because of the high accuracy of these DACs, system design problems such as grounding and contact resistance become very important. A 16-bit converter with a 5V full-scale range has a 1LSB value of 76 μ V. With a load current of 1mA, a series wiring and connector resistance of only 80m Ω (R_{W2}) causes a voltage drop of 80 μ V. In terms of a system layout, the resistivity of a typical 1-ounce copper-clad printed circuit board is 0.5m Ω per square. For a 1mA load, a 0.25mm wide printed circuit circuit conductor 25mm long results in a voltage drop of 50 μ V.

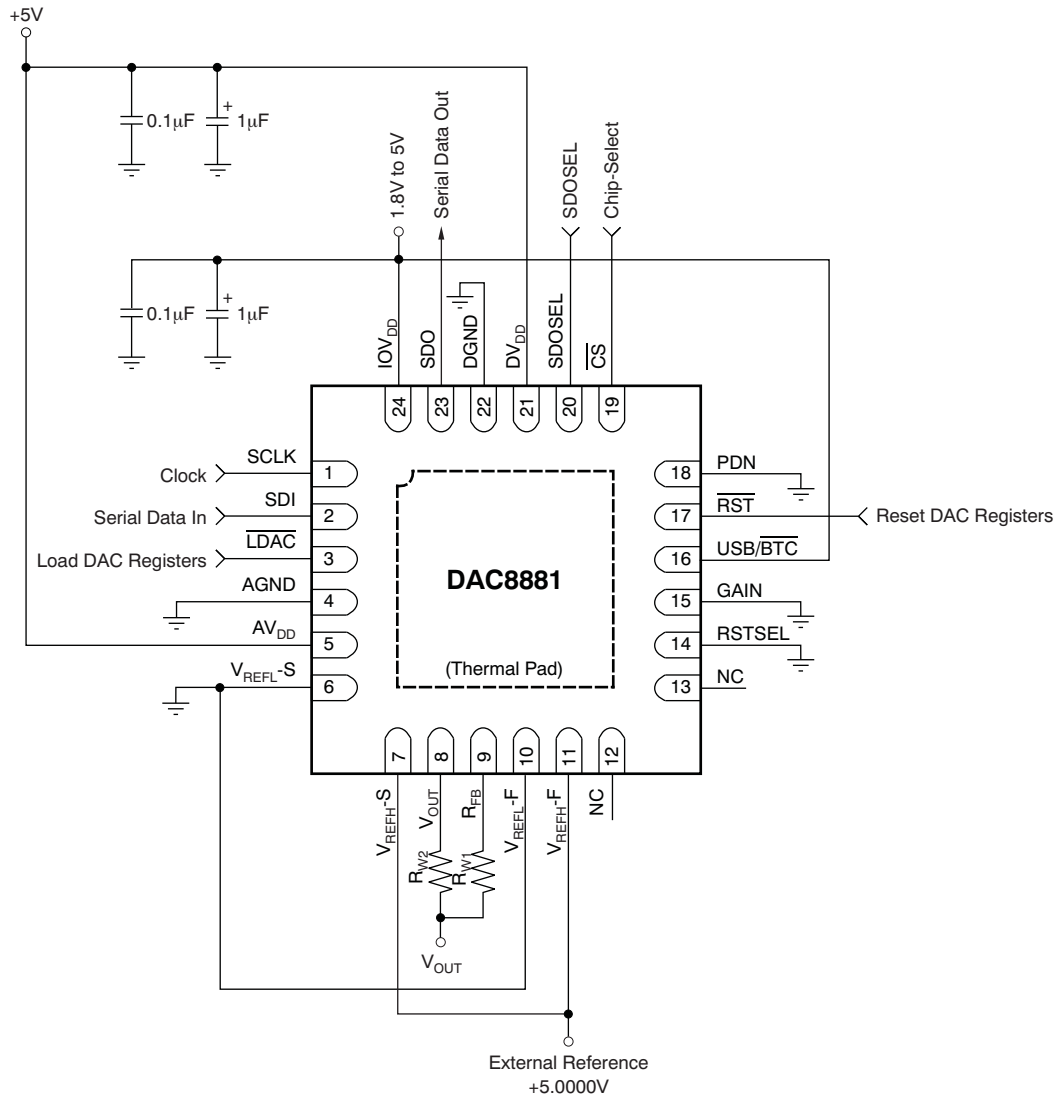


Figure 68. Analog Output Closed-Loop Configuration
(R_{W1} and R_{W2} represent wiring resistance)

REFERENCE INPUTS

The reference high input, V_{REFH} , can be set to any voltage in the range of 1.25V to AV_{DD} . The reference low input, V_{REFL} , can be set to any voltage in the range of $-0.2V$ to $+0.2V$ (to provide a small offset to the output of the DAC8881, if desired). The current into V_{REFH} and out of V_{REFL} depends on the DAC code, and can vary from approximately 0.5mA to 1mA in the gain = 1X mode of operation. The reference high and low inputs appear as varying loads to the external reference circuit. If the external references can source or sink the required current, and if low impedance connections are made to the V_{REFH} and V_{REFL} pins, external reference buffers are not required. Figure 67 shows a simple configuration of the DAC8881 using external references without force/sense reference buffers.

Kelvin sense connections for the reference high and low are included on the DAC8881. When properly used with external reference buffer op amps, these reference Kelvin sense pins ensure that the driven reference high and low voltages remain stable versus varying reference load currents. Figure 69 shows an example of a reference force/sense configuration of the DAC8881 operating from a single analog supply voltage. Both the V_{REFL} and V_{REFH} reference voltages are set to levels of 100mV from the DAC8881 supply rails, and are derived from a +5V external reference. Figure 71 and Figure 70 illustrate the effect of not using the reference force/sense buffers to drive the DAC8881 V_{REFL} and V_{REFH} pins. A slight degradation in INL and DNL performance of approximately 0.1 LSB may be seen without the use of the force/sense buffer configuration.

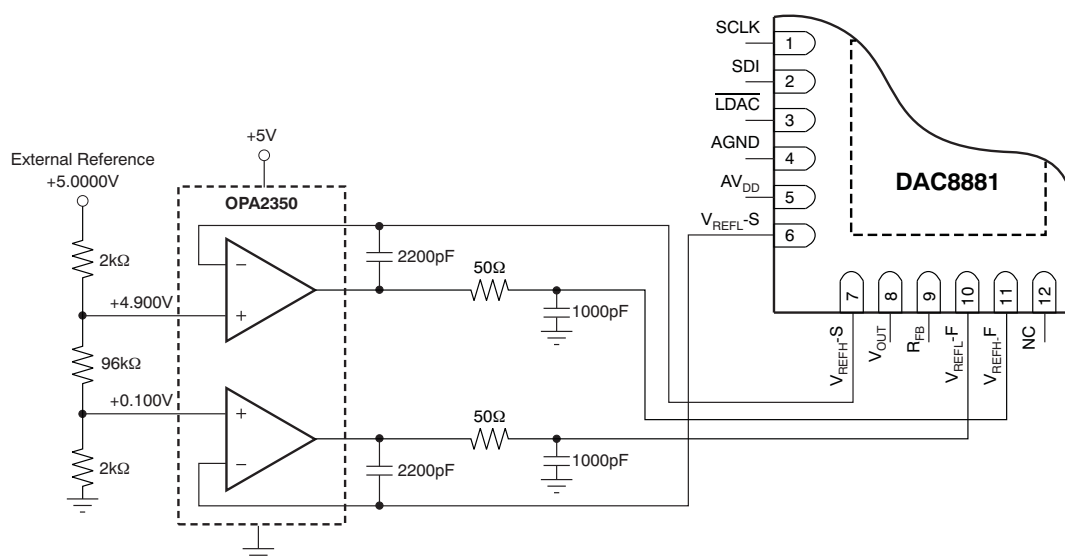


Figure 69. Buffered References ($V_{REFH} = +4.900V$ and $V_{REFL} = 100mV$)

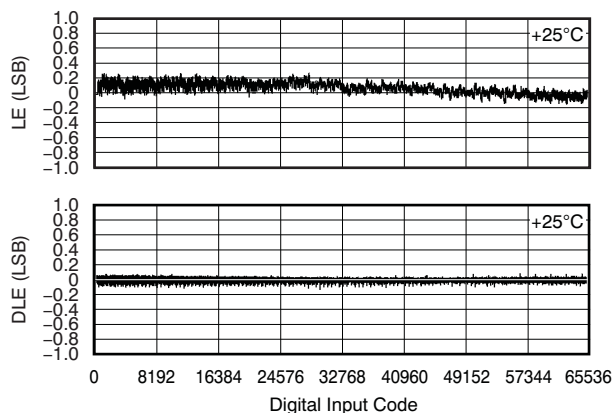


Figure 70. Linearity and Differential Linearity Error for Figure 67 without Reference Buffers

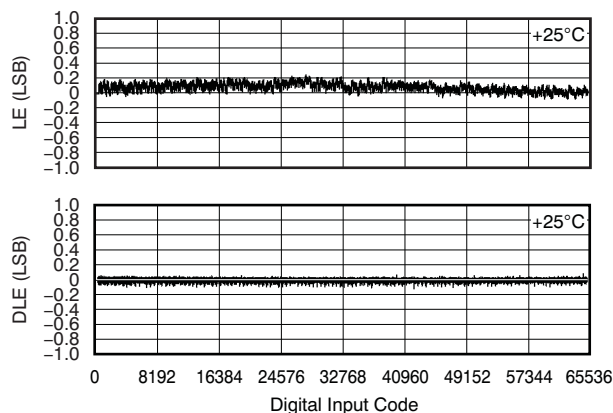


Figure 71. Linearity and Differential Linearity Error for Figure 69 with Reference Buffers

OUTPUT RANGE

The maximum output range of the DAC8881 is V_{REFL} to $V_{REFH} \times G$, where G is the output buffer gain set by the GAIN pin. When the GAIN pin is connected to DGND, the output buffer gain = 1. When the GAIN pin is connected to IOV_{DD}, the output buffer gain = 2. The output range must not be greater than AV_{DD} ; otherwise, output saturation occurs. The DAC8881 output transfer function is given in [Equation 1](#):

$$V_{OUT} = \frac{V_{REFH} - V_{REFL}}{65536} \times \text{CODE} \times \text{Buffer Gain} + V_{REFL} \quad (1)$$

Where:

CODE = 0 to 65535. This is the digital code loaded to the DAC.

Buffer Gain = 1 or 2 (set by the GAIN pin).

V_{REFH} = reference high voltage applied to the device.

V_{REFL} = reference low voltage applied to the device.

INPUT DATA FORMAT

The USB/ $\overline{BTC}$ pin defines the input data format. When this pin is connected to IOV_{DD}, the input data format is straight binary, as shown in [Table 1](#). When this pin is connected to DGND, the input data format is two's complement, as shown in [Table 2](#).

Table 1. Output vs Straight Binary Code

USB CODE	5V RANGE	DESCRIPTION
FFFFh	+4.99992	+Full-Scale – 1LSB
C000h	+3.75000	3/4-Scale
8000h	+2.50000	Midscale
4000h	+1.25000	1/4-Scale
0000h	0.00000	Zero-Scale

Table 2. Output vs Two's Complement Code

$\overline{BTC}$ CODE	5V RANGE	DESCRIPTION
7FFFh	+4.99992	+Full-Scale – 1LSB
4000h	+3.75000	3/4-Scale
0000h	+2.50000	Midscale
FFFFh	+2.49992	Midscale – 1LSB
C000h	+1.25000	1/4-Scale
8000h	0.00000	Zero-Scale

POWER DOWN

The DAC8881 has a hardware power-down function. When the PDN pin is high, the device is in power-down mode. The V_{OUT} pin is connected to ground through an internal 10k Ω resistor, but the contents of the input register and the DAC latch do not change. In power-down mode, SPI communication is still active.

HARDWARE RESET

When the $\overline{RST}$ pin is low, the device is in hardware reset mode, and the input register and DAC latch are set to the value defined by the RSTSEL pin. After $\overline{RST}$ goes high, the device is in normal operating mode.

POWER-ON RESET

The DAC8881 has a power-on reset function. After power-on, the value of the input register, the DAC latch, and the output from the V_{OUT} pin are set to the value defined by the RSTSEL pin.

PROGRAM RESET VALUE

After a power-on reset or a hardware reset, the output voltage from the V_{OUT} pin and the values of the input register and DAC latch are determined by the status of the RSTSEL pin and the input data format, as shown in [Table 3](#).

Table 3. Reset Value

RSTSEL PIN	USB/BTC PIN	INPUT FORMAT	V_{OUT}	VALUE OF INPUT REGISTER AND DAC LATCH
DGND	IOV_{DD}	Straight Binary	0	0000h
IOV_{DD}	IOV_{DD}	Straight Binary	Midscale	8000h
DGND	DGND	Two's Complement	Midscale	0000h
IOV_{DD}	DGND	Two's Complement	0	8000h

SERIAL INTERFACE

The DAC8881 is controlled by a versatile 3-wire serial interface that operates at clock rates of up to 50MHz and is compatible with SPI, QSPI™, MICROWIRE™, and DSP™ interface standards.

Input Shift Register

Data are loaded into the device as a 16-bit word under the control of the serial clock input, SCLK. The timing diagrams for this operation are shown in the [Timing Diagram](#) section.

The $\overline{CS}$ input is a level-triggered input that acts as a frame synchronization signal and chip enable. Data can be transferred into the device only while $\overline{CS}$ is low. To start the serial data transfer, $\overline{CS}$ should be taken low, observing the minimum $\overline{CS}$ falling edge to SCLK rising edge setup time, t_2 . After $\overline{CS}$ goes low, serial data are clocked into the device input shift register on the rising edges of SCLK for 16 or more clock pulses. If a frame contains less than 16 bits of data, the frame is invalid. Invalid data are not written into the input register and DAC, although the input register and DAC will continue to hold data from the preceding valid data cycle. If more than 16 bits of data are transmitted in one frame, the last 16 bits are written into the shift register and DAC. $\overline{CS}$ may be taken high after the rising edge of the 16th SCLK pulse, observing the minimum SCLK rising edge to $\overline{CS}$ rising edge time, t_7 . The contents of the shift register are transferred into the input register on the rising edge of $\overline{CS}$. When data have been transferred into the input register of the DAC, the corresponding DAC register and DAC output can be updated by taking the LDAC pin low.

Stand-Alone Mode

When the SDOSEL pin is tied to IOV_{DD} , the interface is in Stand-Alone mode. This mode provides serial readback for diagnostic purposes. The new input data (16 bits) are clocked into the device shift register and the existing data in the input register (16 bits) are shifted out from the SDO pin. If more than 16 SCLKs are clocked when $\overline{CS}$ is low, the contents of the input register are shifted out from the SDO pin, followed by zeroes; the last 16 bits of input data remain in the shift register. If less than 16 SCLKs are clocked while $\overline{CS}$ is low, the data from the SDO pin are part of the data in the input register and must be ignored. Refer to [Figure 2](#) for further detail.

Daisy-Chain Mode

When the SDOSEL pin is tied to GND, the interface is in Daisy-Chain mode. For systems that contain several DACs, the SDO pin may be used to daisy-chain several devices together.

In Daisy-Chain mode, SCLK is continuously applied to the input shift register while $\overline{CS}$ is low. If more than 16 clock pulses are applied, the data ripples out of the shift register and appears on the SDO line. These data are clocked out on the falling edge of SCLK and are valid on the rising edge. By connecting this line to the DIN input

on the next DAC in the chain, a multi-DAC interface is constructed. 16 clock pulses are required for each DAC in the system. Therefore, the total number of clock cycles must be equal to $(16 \times N)$, where N is the total number of devices in the chain. When the serial transfer to all devices is complete, $\overline{CS}$ should be taken high. This action prevents any further data from being clocked into the input shift register. The contents in the shift registers are transferred into the relevant input registers on the rising edge of the $\overline{CS}$ signal.

A continuous SCLK source may be used if $\overline{CS}$ can be held low for the correct number of clock cycles. Alternatively, a burst clock containing the exact number of clock cycles can be used and $\overline{CS}$ can be taken high some time later. When the transfer to all input registers is complete, a common $\overline{LDAC}$ signal updates all DAC registers, and all analog outputs update simultaneously.

DOUBLE-BUFFERED INTERFACE

The DAC8881 has a double-buffered interface consisting of two register banks: the input register and the DAC latch. The input register is connected directly to the input shift register and the digital code is transferred to the input register upon completion of a valid write sequence. The DAC latch contains the digital code used by the resistor R-2R ladder. The contents of the DAC latch defines the output from the DAC.

Access to the DAC register is controlled by the $\overline{LDAC}$ pin. When $\overline{LDAC}$ is high, the DAC register is latched and the input register can change state without affecting the contents of the DAC latch. When $\overline{LDAC}$ is low, however, the DAC latch becomes transparent and the contents of the input register is transferred to the DAC register.

Load DAC Pin ($\overline{LDAC}$)

$\overline{LDAC}$ transfers data from the input register to the DAC register (and, therefore, updates the DAC output). The contents of the DAC latch (and the output from DAC) can be changed in two ways, depending on the status of $\overline{LDAC}$.

Synchronous Mode

When $\overline{LDAC}$ is tied low, the DAC register updates as soon as new data are transferred into the input register after the rising edge of $\overline{CS}$.

Asynchronous Mode

When $\overline{LDAC}$ is high, the DAC latch is latched. The DAC latch (and DAC output) is not updated at the same time that the input register is written to. When $\overline{LDAC}$ goes low, the DAC register updates with the contents of the input register.

1.8V TO 5.5V LOGIC INTERFACE

All digital input and output pins are compatible with any logic supply voltage between 1.8V and 5.5V. Connect the interface logic supply voltage to the IOV_{DD} pin. Although timing is specified down to 2.7V (see the [Timing Characteristics](#)), IOV_{DD} can operate as low as 1.8V, but with degraded timing and temperature performance. For the lowest power consumption, logic V_{IH} levels should be as close as possible to IOV_{DD} , and logic V_{IL} levels should be as close as possible to GND. Note that the DAC8881 core internal digital logic operates from the same voltage as the 2.7V to 5.5V AV_{DD} supply, so the DV_{DD} pin must also be connected to the AV_{DD} supply voltage.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

BIPOLAR OPERATION USING THE DAC8881

The DAC8881 is designed for single-supply operation; however, a bipolar output range is also possible using the circuit shown in [Figure 72](#). This circuit gives a bipolar output voltage range of V_{BIP} , where V_{BIP} is represented by [Equation 2](#). Note that for this circuit to work, the DAC8881 must operate in the gain = 1X mode configuration with GAIN = DGND. The output voltage for any input code can be calculated with [Figure 72](#):

$$V_{BIP}(CODE) = \left[1 + \frac{R_3}{R_2} + \frac{R_3}{R_1} \right] \times \frac{CODE}{65536} - \frac{R_3}{R_1} \times V_{REF} \quad (2)$$

Where:

$V_{BIP}(CODE)$ = bipolar output voltage versus CODE from the [OPA211](#).

CODE = 0 to 65535. This is the digital code loaded to the DAC.

V_{REF} = reference high voltage applied to the DAC8881.

By first choosing a value for resistor R_3 , R_1 and R_2 can be determined by [Equation 3](#) and [Equation 4](#), respectively:

$$R_1 = \frac{V_{REF}}{V_{BIP}} \times R_3 \quad (3)$$

$$R_2 = \frac{V_{REF} \times R_3}{V_{BIP} - V_{REF}} \quad (4)$$

Where:

V_{BIP} = peak desired output voltage for bipolar output.

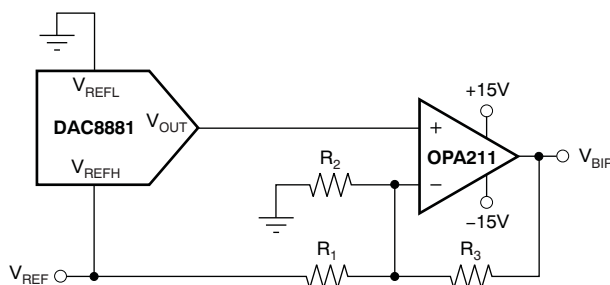
V_{REF} = reference high voltage applied to the DAC8881. NOTE: $V_{BIP} \geq V_{REF}$.

R_3 = OPA211 feedback resistor chosen by user.

Note that R_2 is not required in the circuit of [Figure 72](#) for bipolar output voltage ranges equal to $\pm V_{REF}$.

Using the previous equations, and with $V_{REF} = 5V$ and R_3 set to 10k Ω , a $\pm 8V$ output span can be achieved with R_1 calculated to be 6.25k Ω and R_2 to be 16.67k Ω .

Similarly, a near $\pm 15V$ rail-to-rail output can be achieved with R_1 calculated to be 3.33k Ω and R_2 calculated to be 5k Ω .



NOTE: Some pins omitted for clarity.

Figure 72. Bipolar Operation Using the DAC8881

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status ⁽¹⁾	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan ⁽²⁾	Lead/Ball Finish	MSL Peak Temp ⁽³⁾
DAC8881SRGER	ACTIVE	QFN	RGE	24	3000	TBD	Call TI	Call TI
DAC8881SRGERG4	ACTIVE	QFN	RGE	24	3000	TBD	Call TI	Call TI
DAC8881SRGET	ACTIVE	QFN	RGE	24	250	TBD	Call TI	Call TI
DAC8881SRGETG4	ACTIVE	QFN	RGE	24	250	TBD	Call TI	Call TI

⁽¹⁾ The marketing status values are defined as follows:

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NRND: Not recommended for new designs. Device is in production to support existing customers, but TI does not recommend using this part in a new design.

PREVIEW: Device has been announced but is not in production. Samples may or may not be available.

OBSOLETE: TI has discontinued the production of the device.

⁽²⁾ Eco Plan - The planned eco-friendly classification: Pb-Free (RoHS), Pb-Free (RoHS Exempt), or Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) - please check <http://www.ti.com/productcontent> for the latest availability information and additional product content details.

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⁽³⁾ MSL, Peak Temp. -- The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

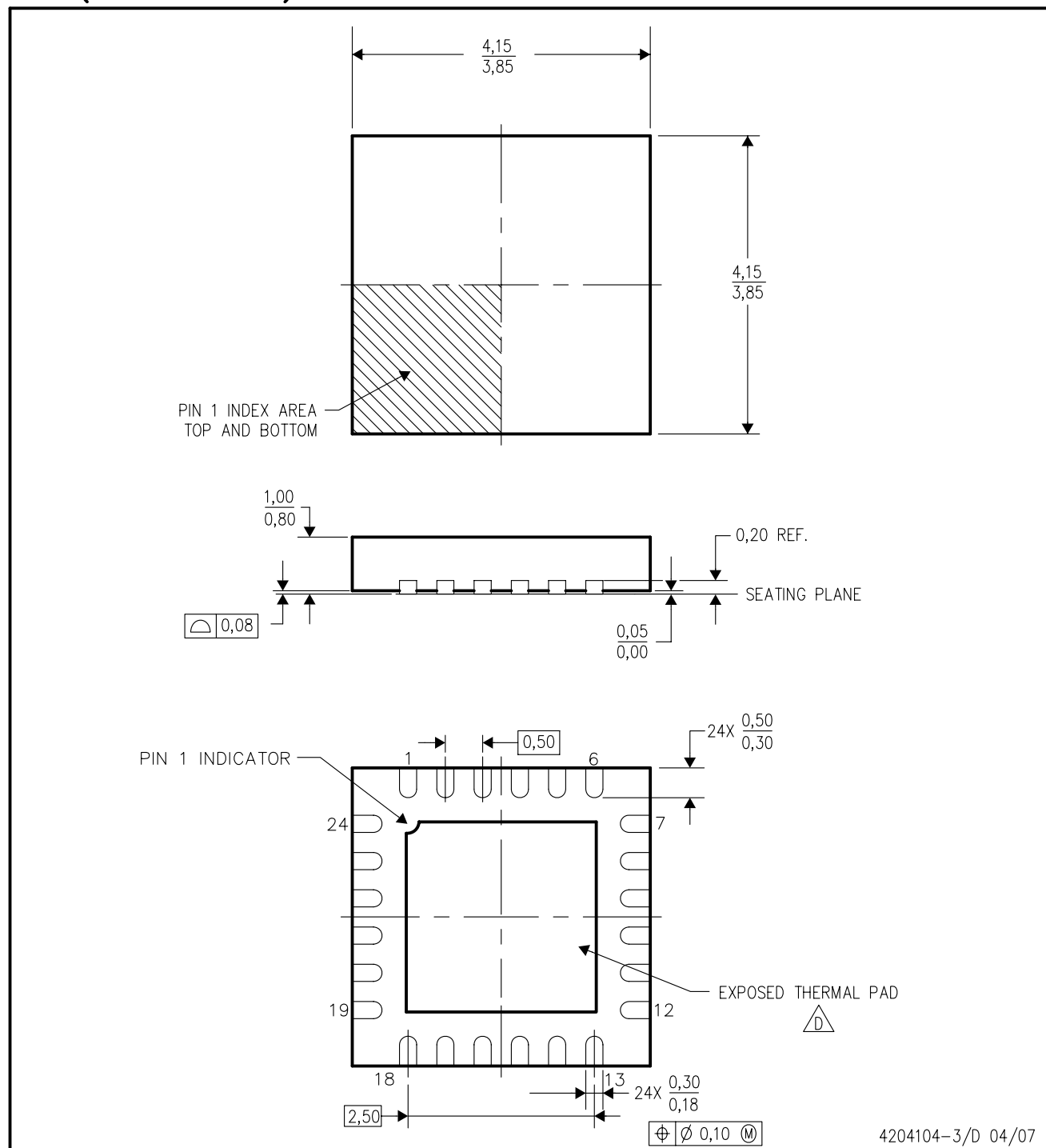
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PIN 1 OPTION

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK



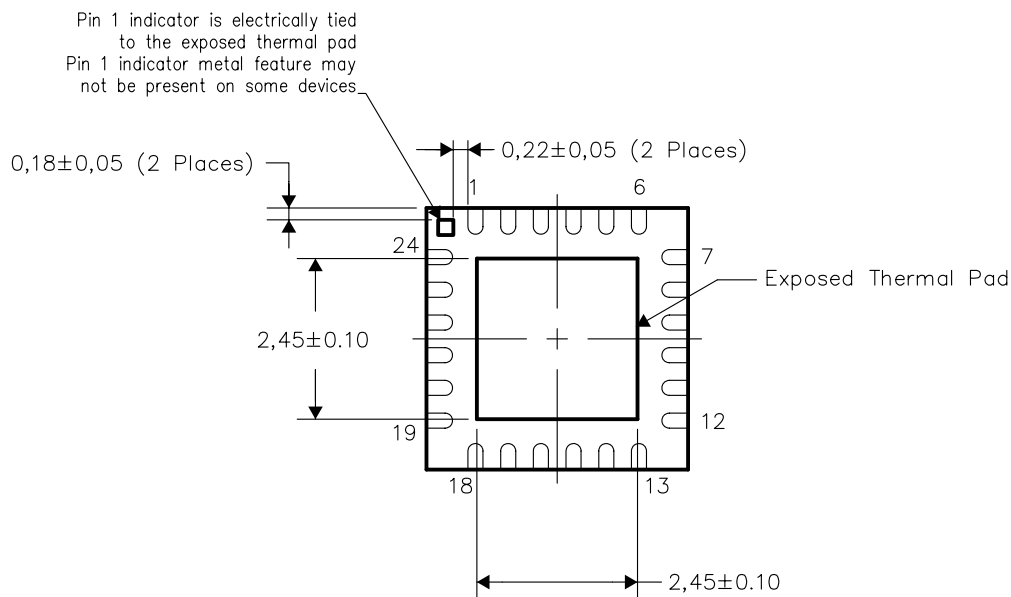
- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M-1994.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Quad Flatpack, No-Leads (QFN) package configuration.
 -  D. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the board for thermal and mechanical performance. See the Product Data Sheet for details regarding the exposed thermal pad dimensions.
 - E. Falls within JEDEC MO-220.

THERMAL INFORMATION

This package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached directly to an external heatsink. The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the printed circuit board (PCB). After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

For information on the Quad Flatpack No-Lead (QFN) package and its advantages, refer to Application Report, Quad Flatpack No-Lead Logic Packages, Texas Instruments Literature No. SCBA017. This document is available at www.ti.com.

The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.

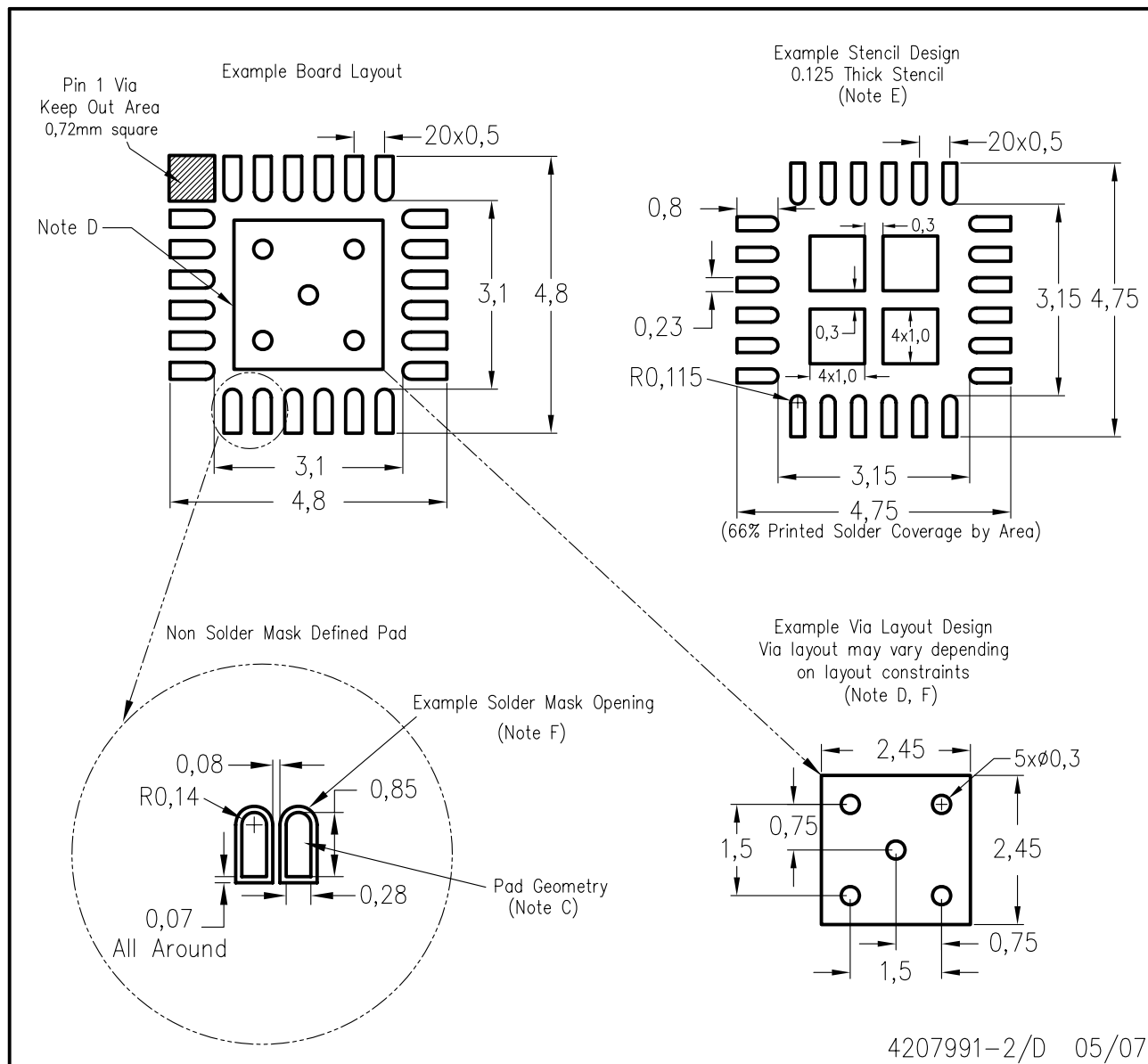


Bottom View

NOTE: All linear dimensions are in millimeters

Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

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- NOTES:
- All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - Publication IPC-7351 is recommended for alternate designs.
 - This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Application Note, Quad Flat-Pack Packages, Texas Instruments Literature No. SCBA017, SLUA271, and also the Product Data Sheets for specific thermal information, via requirements, and recommended board layout. These documents are available at www.ti.com <<http://www.ti.com>>.
 - Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC 7525 for stencil design considerations.
 - Customers should contact their board fabrication site for recommended solder mask tolerances and via tenting recommendations for vias placed in the thermal pad.

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