



## Dual, 10-Bit, 40MHz Current/Voltage Alternate-Phase Output DACs

### General Description

The MAX5182 is a dual, 10-bit, alternate-phase-update, current-output digital-to-analog converter (DAC) designed for superior performance in systems requiring analog signal reconstruction with low distortion and low-power operation. The MAX5185 provides equal specifications with on-chip output resistors for voltage-output operation. Both devices are designed for 10pV-s glitch operation, to reduce distortion and minimize unwanted spurious signal components at the output. An on-board +1.2V bandgap circuit provides a well-regulated, low-noise reference that can be disabled for external reference operation.

The MAX5182/MAX5185 are designed to provide a high level of signal integrity for the least amount of power dissipation. Both DACs operate from a +2.7V to +3.3V single supply. Additionally, these DACs have three modes of operation: normal, low-power standby, and complete shutdown. A full shutdown provides the lowest possible power dissipation with a maximum shutdown current of 1 $\mu$ A. Fast wake-up time (0.5 $\mu$ s) from standby mode to full DAC operation allows for power conservation by activating the DACs only when required.

The MAX5182/MAX5185 are available in a 28-pin QSOP package and are specified for the extended (-40°C to +85°C) temperature range. For pin-compatible 8-bit versions, refer to the MAX5188/MAX5191 data sheet.

### Applications

Signal Reconstruction  
Digital Signal Processing  
Arbitrary Waveform Generators (AWGs)  
Imaging Applications

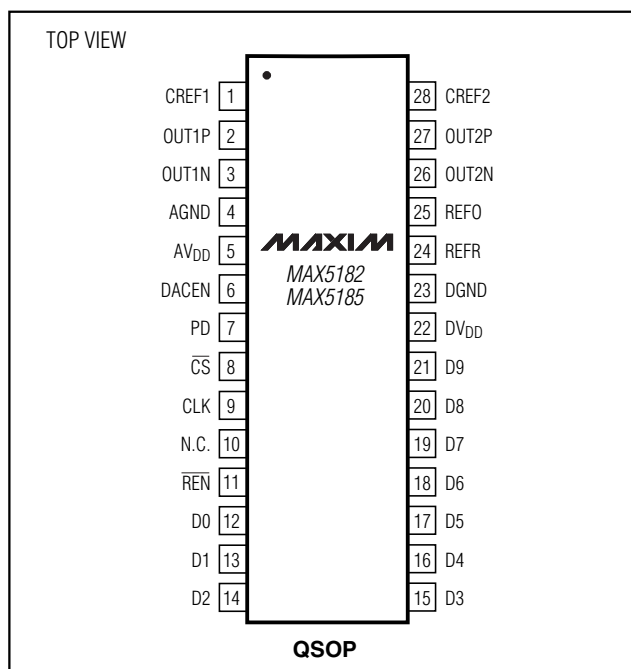
### Features

- ◆ +2.7V to +3.3V Single-Supply Operation
- ◆ Wide Spurious-Free Dynamic Range: 70dB at  $f_{OUT} = 2.2\text{MHz}$
- ◆ Fully-Differential Outputs for Each DAC
- ◆  $\pm 0.5\%$  FSR Gain Mismatch Between DAC Outputs
- ◆ Low-Current Standby or Full-Shutdown Modes
- ◆ Internal +1.2V Low-Noise Bandgap Reference
- ◆ Small 28-Pin QSOP Package

### Ordering Information

| PART        | TEMP. RANGE    | PIN-PACKAGE |
|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| MAX5182BEEI | -40°C to +85°C | 28 QSOP     |
| MAX5185BEEI | -40°C to +85°C | 28 QSOP     |

### Pin Configuration



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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

AVDD, DVDD to AGND, DGND ..... -0.3V to +6V  
 Digital Inputs to DGND ..... -0.3V to +6V  
 OUT1P, OUT1N, OUT2P, OUT2N, CREF1,  
 CREF2 to AGND ..... -0.3V to +6V  
 VREF to AGND ..... -0.3V to +6V  
 AGND to DGND ..... -0.3V to +0.3V  
 AVDD to DVDD ..... ±3.3V

Maximum Current into Any Pin ..... 50mA  
 Continuous Power Dissipation (TA = +70°C)  
 28-Pin QSOP (derate 9.00mW/°C above +70°C) ..... 725mW  
 Operating Temperature Ranges  
 MAX518\_BEEI ..... -40°C to +85°C  
 Storage Temperature Range ..... -65°C to +150°C  
 Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) ..... +300°C

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(AVDD = DVDD = +3V ±10%, AGND = DGND = 0, fCLK = 40MHz, IFS = 1mA, 400Ω differential output, CL = 5pF, TA = TMIN to TMAX, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at TA = +25°C.)

| PARAMETER                              | SYMBOL          | CONDITIONS                                        |                                                   | MIN  | TYP  | MAX | UNITS  |       |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|------|------|-----|--------|-------|
| STATIC PERFORMANCE                     |                 |                                                   |                                                   |      |      |     |        |       |
| Resolution                             | N               |                                                   |                                                   | 10   |      |     | Bits   |       |
| Integral Nonlinearity                  | INL             |                                                   |                                                   | -2   | ±0.5 | +2  | LSB    |       |
| Differential Nonlinearity              | DNL             | Guaranteed monotonic                              |                                                   | -1   | ±0.5 | +1  | LSB    |       |
| Zero-Scale Error                       |                 | MAX5182                                           |                                                   | -2   |      |     | +2     | LSB   |
|                                        |                 | MAX5185                                           |                                                   | -8   |      |     | +8     |       |
| Full-Scale Error                       |                 | (Note 1)                                          |                                                   | -40  | ±15  | +40 | LSB    |       |
| DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE                    |                 |                                                   |                                                   |      |      |     |        |       |
| Output Settling Time                   |                 | To ±0.5LSB error band                             |                                                   | 25   |      |     | ns     |       |
| Glitch Impulse                         |                 |                                                   |                                                   | 10   |      |     | pVs    |       |
| Spurious-Free Dynamic Range to Nyquist | SFDR            | f <sub>CLK</sub> = 40MHz                          | f <sub>OUT</sub> = 550kHz                         | 72   |      |     | dBc    |       |
|                                        |                 |                                                   | f <sub>OUT</sub> = 2.2MHz, T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C | 57   | 70   |     |        |       |
| Total Harmonic Distortion to Nyquist   | THD             | f <sub>CLK</sub> = 40MHz                          | f <sub>OUT</sub> = 550kHz                         | -70  |      |     | dB     |       |
|                                        |                 |                                                   | f <sub>OUT</sub> = 2.2MHz, T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C | -68  | -63  |     |        |       |
| Signal-to-Noise Ratio to Nyquist       | SNR             | f <sub>CLK</sub> = 40MHz                          | f <sub>OUT</sub> = 550kHz                         | 61   |      |     | dB     |       |
|                                        |                 |                                                   | f <sub>OUT</sub> = 2.2MHz, T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C | 56   | 59   |     |        |       |
| DAC-to-DAC Ouput Isolation             |                 | f <sub>OUT</sub> = 2.2MHz                         |                                                   | -60  |      |     | dB     |       |
| Clock and Data Feedthrough             |                 | All 0s to all 1s                                  |                                                   | 50   |      |     | nVs    |       |
| Output Noise                           |                 |                                                   |                                                   | 10   |      |     | pA/√Hz |       |
| Gain Mismatch Between DAC Outputs      |                 | f <sub>OUT</sub> = 2.2MHz, T <sub>A</sub> = +25°C |                                                   | ±0.5 |      |     | ±1     | % FSR |
| ANALOG OUTPUT                          |                 |                                                   |                                                   |      |      |     |        |       |
| Full-Scale Output Voltage              | V <sub>FS</sub> |                                                   |                                                   | 400  |      |     | mV     |       |
| Voltage Compliance of Output           |                 |                                                   |                                                   | -0.3 | 0.8  |     | V      |       |
| Output Leakage Current                 |                 | DACEN = 0, MAX5182 only                           |                                                   | -1   | 1    |     | µA     |       |
| Full-Scale Output Current              | I <sub>FS</sub> | MAX5182 only                                      |                                                   | 0.5  | 1    | 1.5 | mA     |       |
| DAC External Output Resistor Load      | R <sub>L</sub>  | MAX5182 only                                      |                                                   | 400  |      |     | Ω      |       |

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

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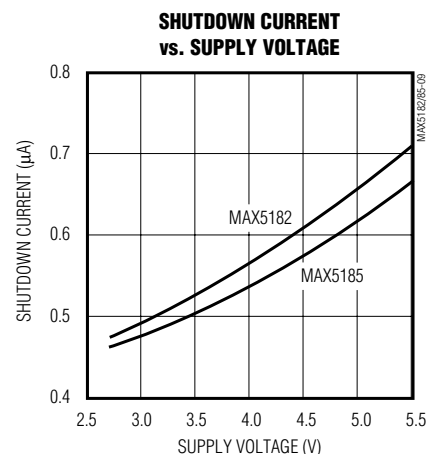
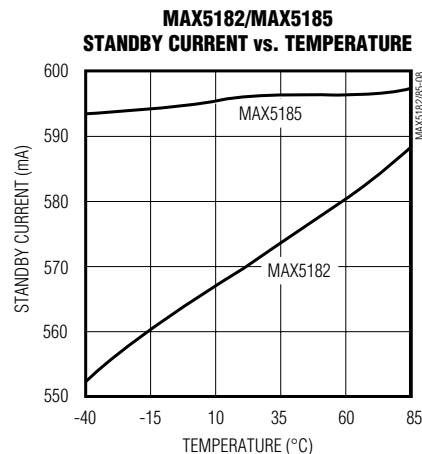
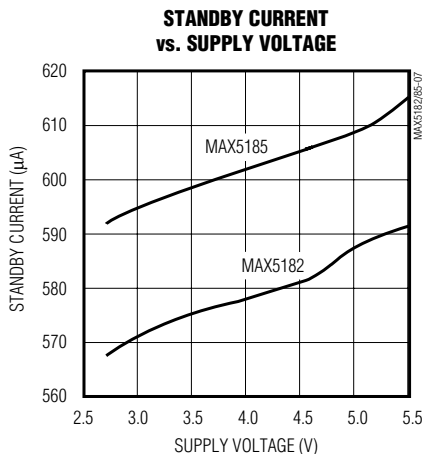
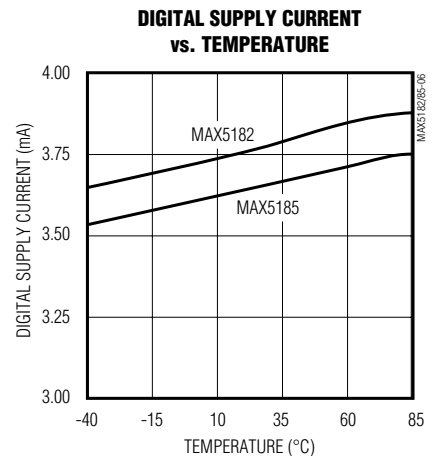
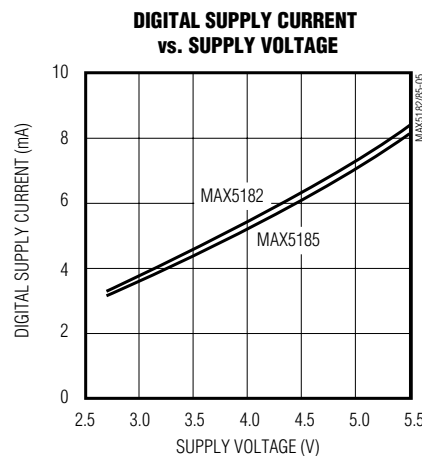
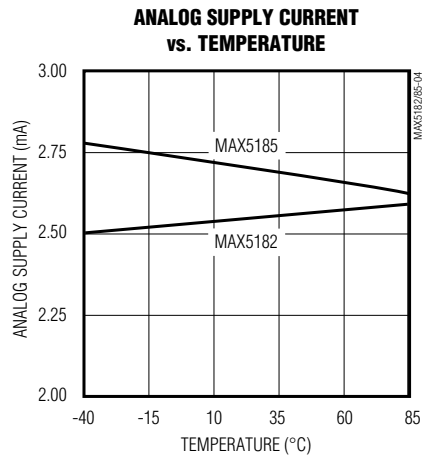
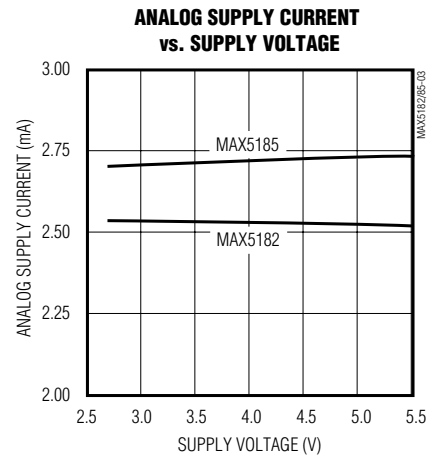
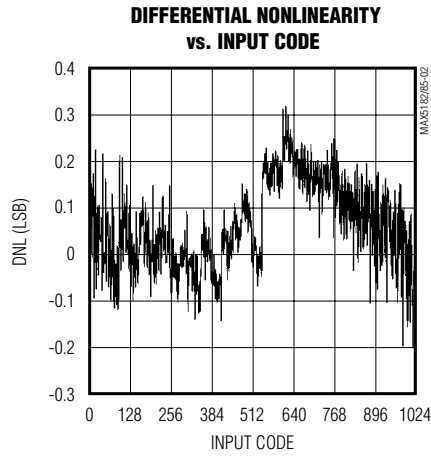
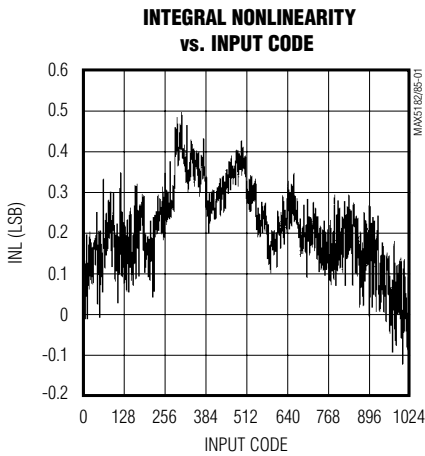
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|---------------------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|-----|---------|-----------------|
| <b>REFERENCE</b>                      |               |                                                                      |     |     |         |                 |
| Output Voltage Range                  | $V_{REF}$     |                                                                      | 2.7 | 1.2 | 1.28    | V               |
| Output Voltage Temperature Drift      | $TCV_{REF}$   |                                                                      |     | 50  |         | ppm/ $^\circ C$ |
| Reference Output Drive Capability     | $I_{REFOUT}$  |                                                                      |     | 10  |         | $\mu A$         |
| Reference Supply Rejection            |               |                                                                      |     | 0.5 |         | mV/V            |
| Current Gain ( $I_{FS} / I_{REF}$ )   |               |                                                                      |     | 8   |         | mA/mA           |
| <b>POWER REQUIREMENTS</b>             |               |                                                                      |     |     |         |                 |
| Analog Power-Supply Voltage           | $AV_{DD}$     |                                                                      | 2.7 |     | 3.3     | V               |
| Analog Supply Current                 | $I_{AVDD}$    | PD = 0, DACEN = 1, digital inputs at 0 or $DV_{DD}$                  |     | 2.7 | 5.0     | mA              |
| Digital Power-Supply Voltage          | $DV_{DD}$     |                                                                      | 2.7 |     | 3.3     | V               |
| Digital Supply Current                | $I_{DVDD}$    | PD = 0, DACEN = 1, digital inputs at 0 or $DV_{DD}$                  |     | 4.2 | 5.0     | mA              |
| Standby Current                       | $I_{STANDBY}$ | PD = 0, DACEN = 0, digital inputs at 0 or $DV_{DD}$                  |     | 1.0 | 1.5     | mA              |
| Shutdown Current                      | $I_{SHDN}$    | PD = 1, DACEN = X, digital inputs at 0 or $DV_{DD}$ (X = don't care) |     | 0.5 | 1       | $\mu A$         |
| <b>LOGIC INPUTS AND OUTPUTS</b>       |               |                                                                      |     |     |         |                 |
| Digital Input Voltage High            | $V_{IH}$      |                                                                      | 2   |     |         | V               |
| Digital Input Voltage Low             | $V_{IL}$      |                                                                      |     |     | 0.8     | V               |
| Digital Input Current                 | $I_{IN}$      | $V_{IN} = 0$ or $DV_{DD}$                                            |     |     | $\pm 1$ | $\mu A$         |
| Digital Input Capacitance             | $C_{IN}$      |                                                                      |     | 10  |         | pF              |
| <b>TIMING CHARACTERISTICS</b>         |               |                                                                      |     |     |         |                 |
| DAC1 DATA to CLK Rise Setup Time      | $t_{DS1}$     |                                                                      | 10  |     |         | ns              |
| DAC2 DATA to CLK Fall Setup Time      | $t_{DS2}$     |                                                                      | 10  |     |         | ns              |
| DAC1 CLK Rise to DATA Hold Time       | $t_{DH1}$     |                                                                      | 0   |     |         | ns              |
| DAC2 CLK Fall to DATA Hold Time       | $t_{DH2}$     |                                                                      | 0   |     |         | ns              |
| $\overline{CS}$ Fall to CLK Rise Time |               |                                                                      |     | 5   |         | ns              |
| $\overline{CS}$ Fall to CLK Fall Time |               |                                                                      |     | 5   |         | ns              |
| DACEN Rise Time to $V_{OUT\_}$        |               |                                                                      |     | 0.5 |         | $\mu s$         |
| PD Fall Time to $V_{OUT\_}$           |               |                                                                      |     | 50  |         | $\mu s$         |
| Clock Period                          | $t_{CLK}$     |                                                                      | 25  |     |         | ns              |
| Clock High Time                       | $t_{CH}$      |                                                                      | 10  |     | 0       | ns              |
| Clock Low Time                        | $t_{CL}$      |                                                                      | 10  |     |         | ns              |

**Note 1:** Excludes reference and reference resistor (MAX5185) tolerance.

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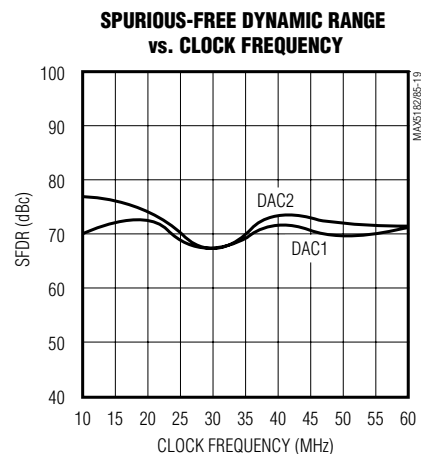
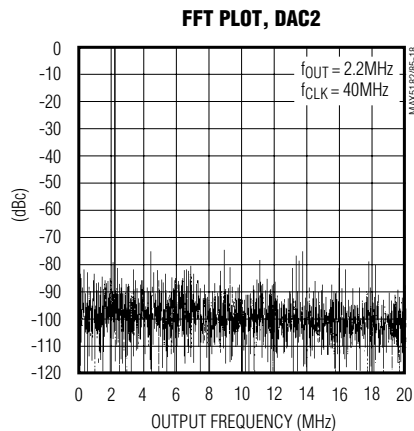
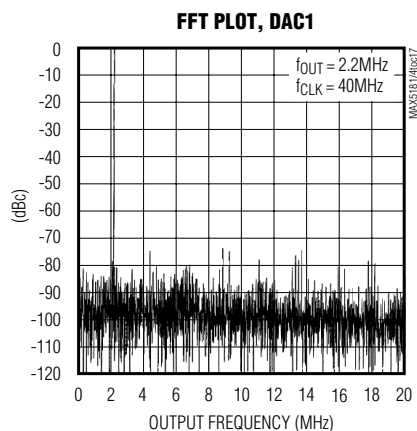
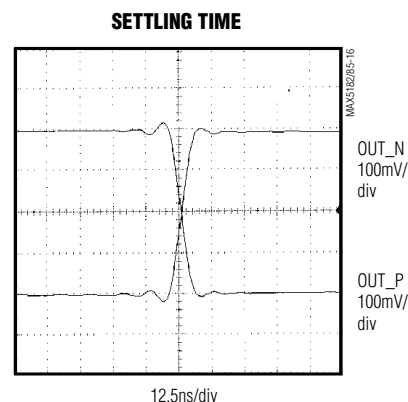
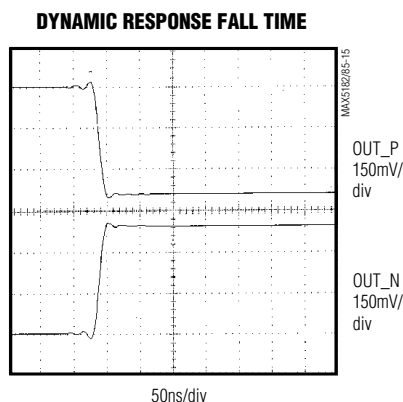
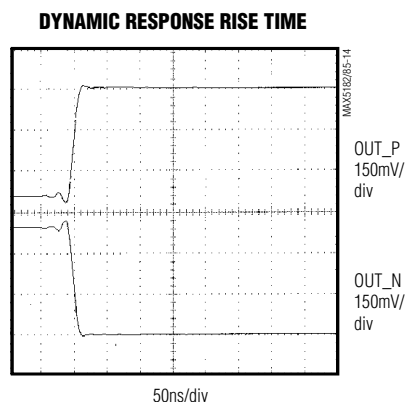
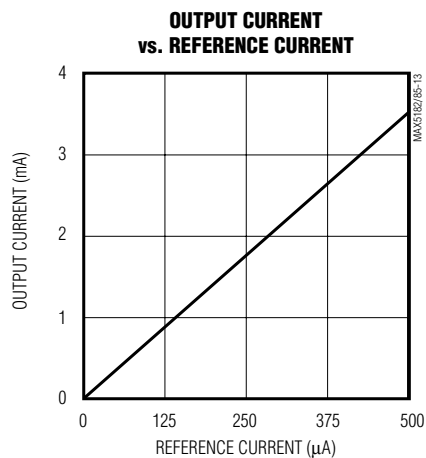
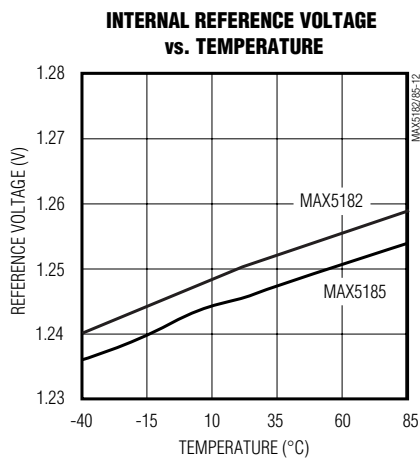
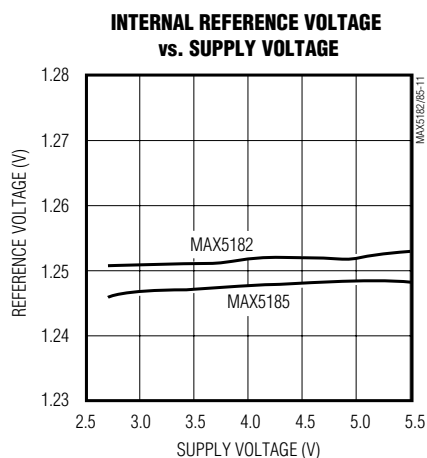


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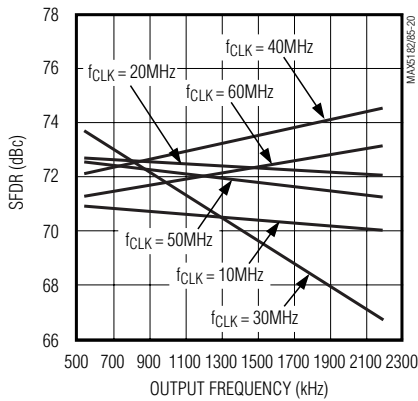


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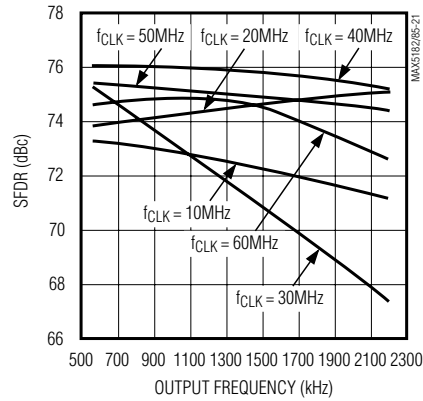
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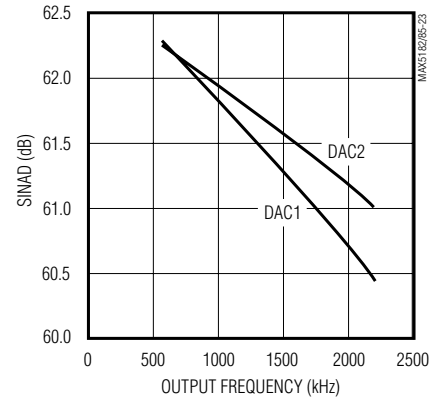
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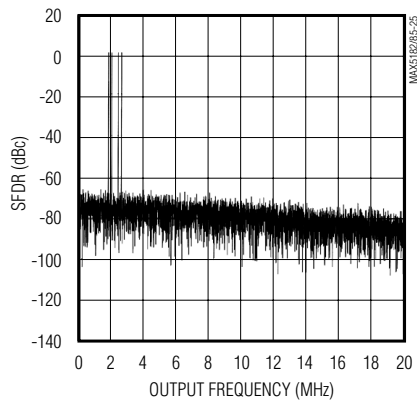
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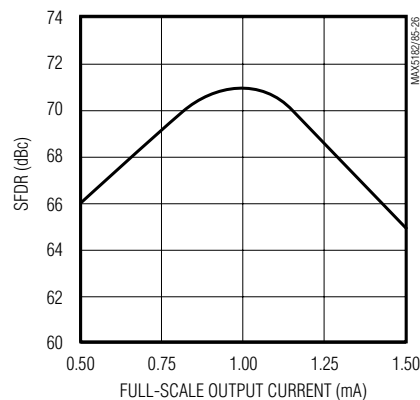
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**SPURIOUS-FREE DYNAMIC RANGE vs. FULL-SCALE OUTPUT CURRENT**



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## Pin Description

| PIN   | NAME             | FUNCTION                                                                                                                                                          |
|-------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1     | CREF1            | Reference Bias Bypass, DAC1                                                                                                                                       |
| 2     | OUT1P            | Positive Analog Output, DAC1. Current output for MAX5182; voltage output for MAX5185.                                                                             |
| 3     | OUT1N            | Negative Analog Output, DAC1. Current output for MAX5182; voltage output for MAX5185.                                                                             |
| 4     | AGND             | Analog Ground                                                                                                                                                     |
| 5     | AVDD             | Analog Positive Supply, +2.7V to +3.3V                                                                                                                            |
| 6     | DACEN            | DAC Enable, Digital Input<br>0: Enter DAC standby mode with PD = DGND<br>1: Power-up DAC with PD = DGND<br>X: Enter shutdown mode with PD = DVDD (X = don't care) |
| 7     | PD               | Power-Down Select<br>0: Enter DAC standby mode (DACEN = DGND) or power-up DAC (DACEN = DVDD)<br>1: Enter shutdown mode                                            |
| 8     | $\overline{CS}$  | Active-Low Chip Select                                                                                                                                            |
| 9     | CLK              | Clock Input                                                                                                                                                       |
| 10    | N.C.             | No Connection. <b>Do not connect to this pin.</b>                                                                                                                 |
| 11    | $\overline{REN}$ | Active-Low Reference Enable. Connect to DGND to activate the on-chip +1.2V reference.                                                                             |
| 12–21 | D0–D9            | Data Bit D0 (LSB) to Data Bit D9 (MSB)                                                                                                                            |
| 22    | DVDD             | Digital Supply, +2.7V to +3.3V                                                                                                                                    |
| 23    | DGND             | Digital Ground                                                                                                                                                    |
| 24    | REFR             | Reference Input                                                                                                                                                   |
| 25    | REFO             | Reference Output                                                                                                                                                  |
| 26    | OUT2N            | Negative Analog Output, DAC2. Current output for MAX5182; voltage output for MAX5185.                                                                             |
| 27    | OUT2P            | Positive Analog Output, DAC2. Current output for MAX5182; voltage output for MAX5185.                                                                             |
| 28    | CREF2            | Reference Bias Bypass, DAC2                                                                                                                                       |

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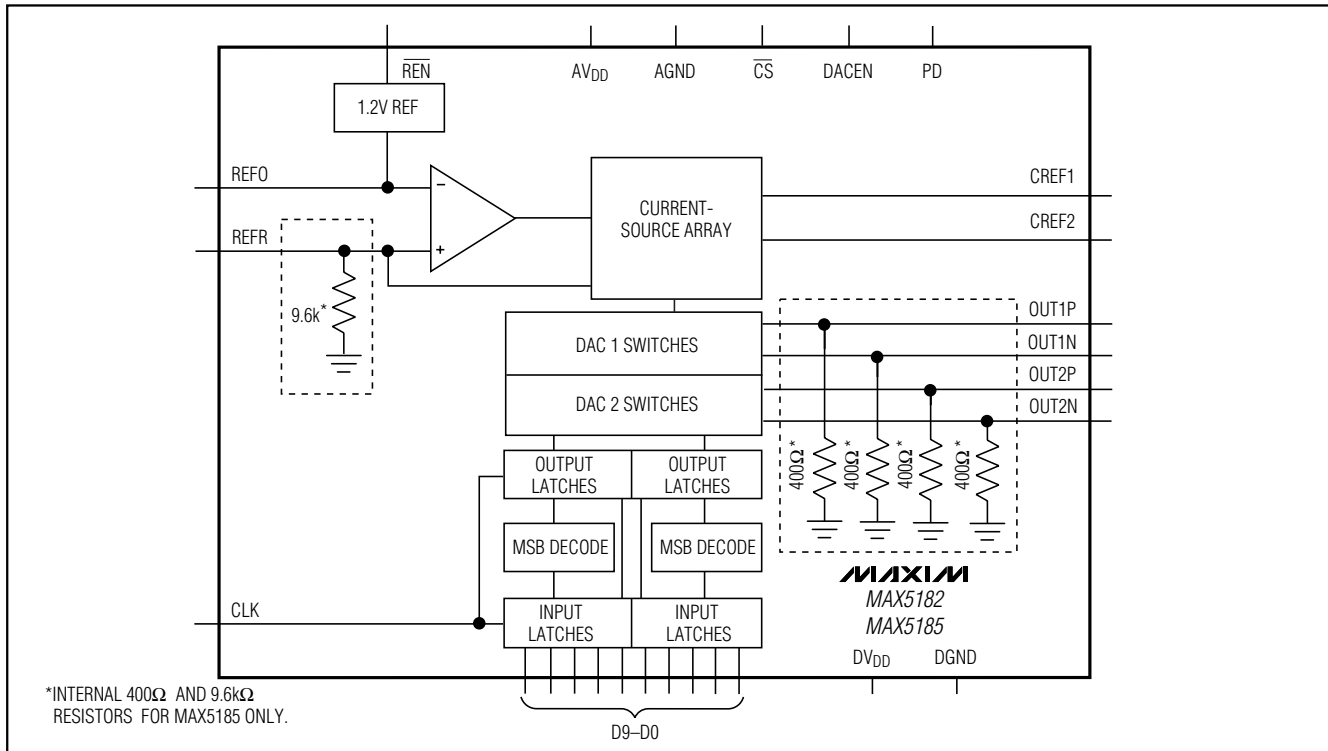


Figure 1. Functional Diagram

## Detailed Description

The MAX5182/MAX5185 are dual, 10-bit digital-to-analog converters (DACs) capable of operating with clock speeds up to 40MHz. Each of these dual converters consists of separate input and DAC registers, followed by a current-source array capable of generating up to 1.5mA full-scale output current (Figure 1). An integrated +1.2V voltage reference and control amplifier determine the data converters' full-scale output currents/voltages. Careful reference design ensures close gain matching and excellent drift characteristics. The MAX5185, with its voltage output operation, features matched 400Ω on-chip resistors that convert the current from the current array into a voltage.

### Internal Reference and Control Amplifier

The MAX5182/MAX5185 provide an integrated 50ppm/°C, +1.2V, low-noise bandgap reference, which can be disabled and overridden by an external reference voltage. REFO serves either as an input for an external reference or as an output for the integrated reference. If REN is connected to DGND, the internal reference is selected and REFO provides a +1.2V output. Due to its limited 10μA output drive capability, the

REFO pin must be buffered with an external amplifier if heavier loading is required.

The MAX5182/MAX5185 also employ a control amplifier designed to simultaneously regulate the full-scale output current IFS for both outputs of the ICs. The output current is calculated as follows:

$$I_{FS} = 8 \times I_{REF}$$

where IREF is the reference output current ( $I_{REF} = V_{REFO}/R_{SET}$ ), and IFS is the full-scale output current. RSET is the reference resistor that determines the amplifier's output current (Figure 2) on the MAX5182. This current is mirrored into the current-source array, where it is equally distributed between matched current segments, and summed to valid output current readings for the DACs.

Inside the MAX5185, each output current (DAC1 and DAC2) is converted to an output voltage (VOUT1, VOUT2) with two internal, ground-referenced 400Ω load resistors. Using the internal +1.2V reference voltage, the MAX5185's integrated reference output current resistor ( $R_{SET} = 9.6k\Omega$ ), sets IREF to 125μA and IFS to 1mA.

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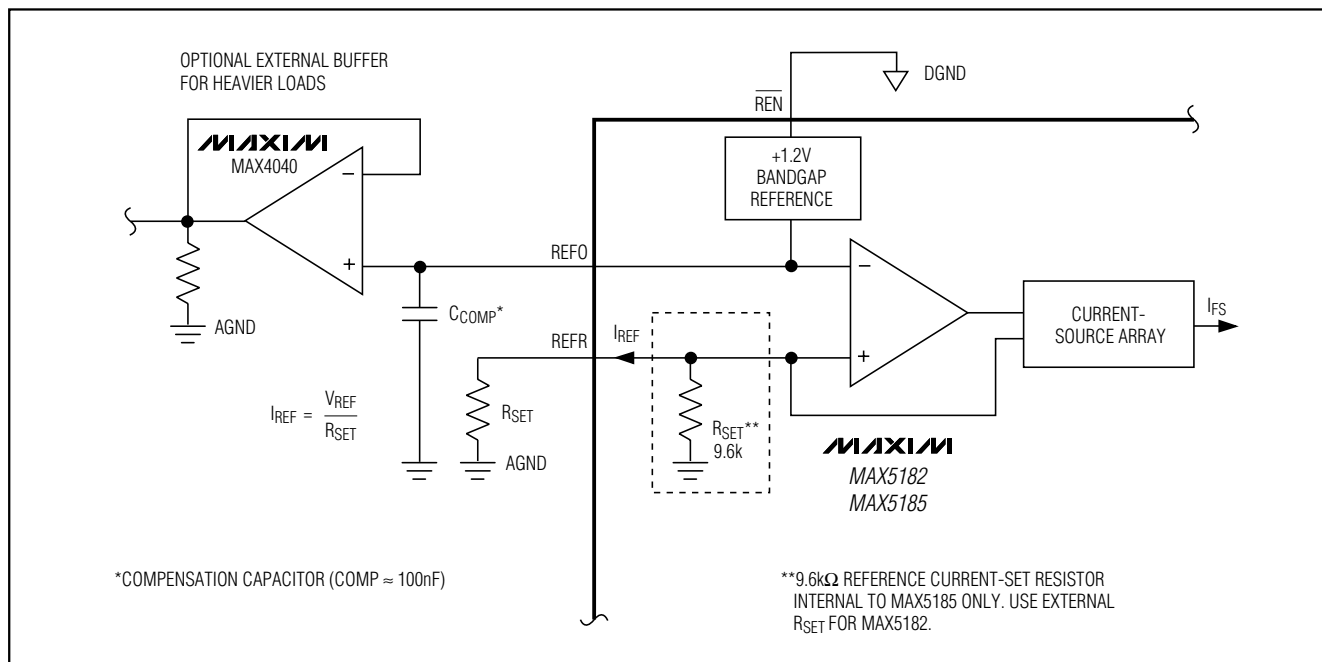


Figure 2. Setting  $I_{FS}$  with the Internal +1.2V Reference and the Control Amplifier

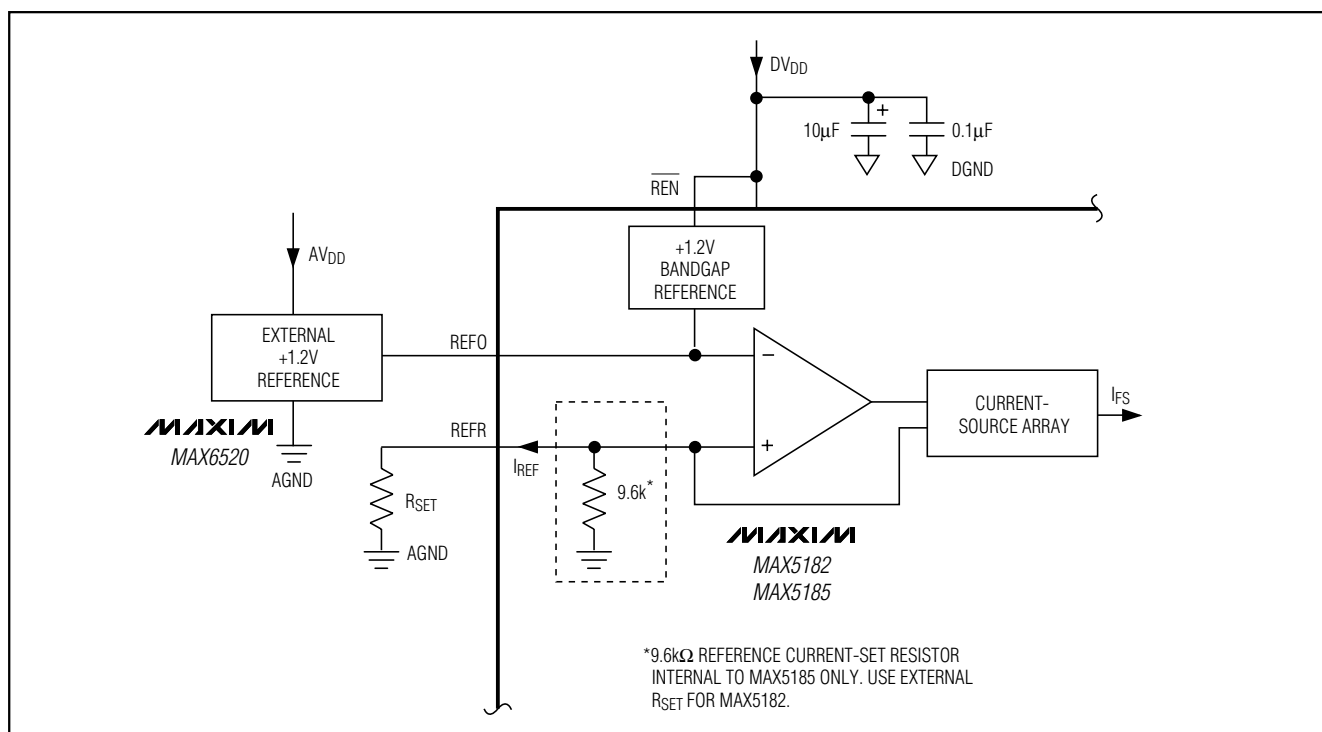


Figure 3. MAX5182/MAX5185 with External Reference

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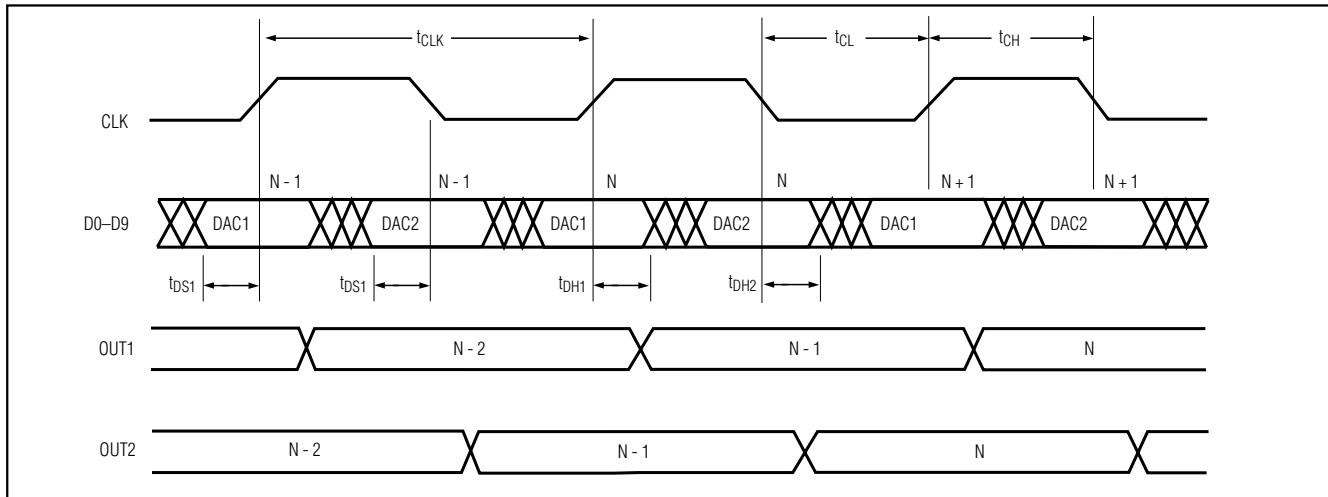


Figure 4. Timing Diagram

Table 1. Power-Down Mode Selection

| PD<br>(POWER-DOWN SELECT) | DACEN<br>(DAC ENABLE) | POWER-DOWN MODE | OUTPUT STATE                     |        |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|--------|
| 0                         | 0                     | Standby         | MAX5182                          | High-Z |
|                           |                       |                 | MAX5185                          | AGND   |
| 0                         | 1                     | Wake-Up         | Last state prior to standby mode |        |
| 1                         | X                     | Shutdown        | MAX5182                          | High-Z |
|                           |                       |                 | MAX5185                          | AGND   |

X = Don't care

## External Reference

To disable the MAX5182/MAX5185's internal reference, connect REN to DV<sub>DD</sub>. A temperature-stable, external reference may now be applied to drive the REFO pin (Figure 3) to set the full-scale output. Be sure to choose a reference capable of supplying at least 150μA to drive the bias circuit that generates the cascode current for the current array. For improved accuracy and drift performance, choose a fixed output voltage reference such as the +1.2V, 25ppm/°C MAX6520 bandgap reference.

## Standby Mode

To enter the lower power standby mode, connect digital inputs PD and DACEN to DGND. In standby, both the reference and the control amplifier are active, with the current array inactive. To exit this condition, DACEN must be pulled high with PD held at DGND. The MAX5182/MAX5185 typically require 50μs to wake up and let both outputs and reference settle.

## Shutdown Mode

For lowest power consumption, the MAX5182/MAX5185 provide a power-down mode in which the reference, control amplifier, and current array are inactive and the DACs supply current is reduced to 1μA. To enter this mode, connect PD to DV<sub>DD</sub>. To return to active mode, connect PD to DGND and DACEN to DV<sub>DD</sub>. About 50μs are required for the devices to leave the shutdown mode and to settle their outputs to the values prior to shutdown. Table 1 lists the power-down mode selection.

## Timing Information

Both internal DAC cells write to their outputs in alternate phase (Figure 4). The input latch of the first DAC (DAC1) is loaded after the clock signal transitions high. When the clock signal transitions low, the input latch of the second DAC (DAC2) is loaded. The contents of the first input latch are shifted into the DAC1 register on the rising edge of the clock; the contents of the second input latch are shifted into the input register of DAC2 on the falling edge of the clock. Both outputs are updated on alternate phases of the clock.

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## Outputs

The MAX5182 outputs are designed to supply 1mA full-scale output currents into 400Ω loads in parallel with a 5pF capacitive load. The MAX5185 features integrated 400Ω resistors that restore the array currents into proportional, differential voltages of 400mV. These differential output voltages can then be used to drive a balun transformer or a low-distortion, high-speed operational amplifier to convert the differential voltage into a single-ended voltage.

## Applications Information

### Static and Dynamic Performance Definitions

#### Integral Nonlinearity

Integral nonlinearity (INL) (Figure 5a) is the deviation of the values on an actual transfer function from either a best-straight-line fit (closest approximation to the actual

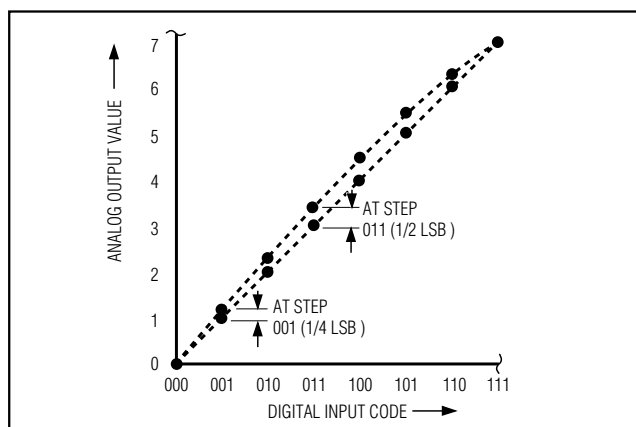


Figure 5a. Integral Nonlinearity

transfer curve) or a line drawn between the endpoints of the transfer function, once offset and gain errors have been nullified. For a DAC, the deviations are measured every single step.

#### Differential Nonlinearity

Differential nonlinearity (DNL) (Figure 5b) is the difference between an actual step height and the ideal value of 1LSB. A DNL error specification of less than 1LSB guarantees no missing codes and a monotonic transfer function.

#### Offset Error

Offset error (Figure 5c) is the difference between the ideal and the actual offset point. For a DAC, the offset point is the step value when the digital input is zero. This error affects all codes by the same amount and can usually be compensated by trimming.

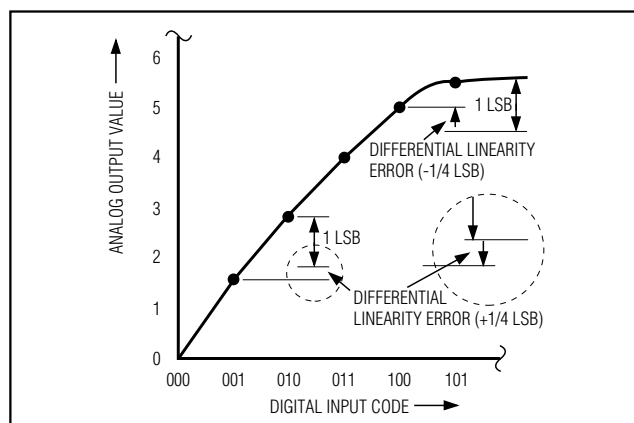


Figure 5b. Differential Nonlinearity

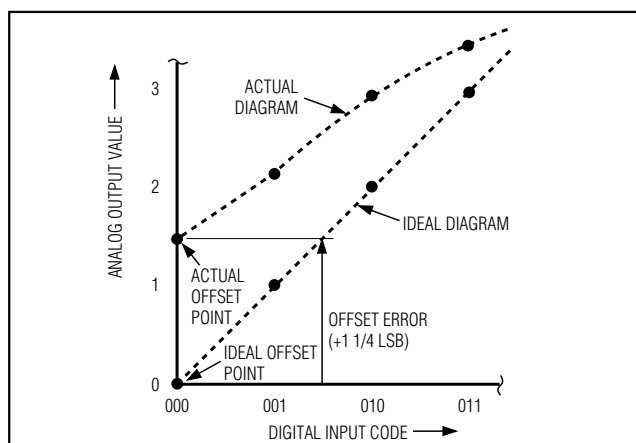


Figure 5c. Offset Error

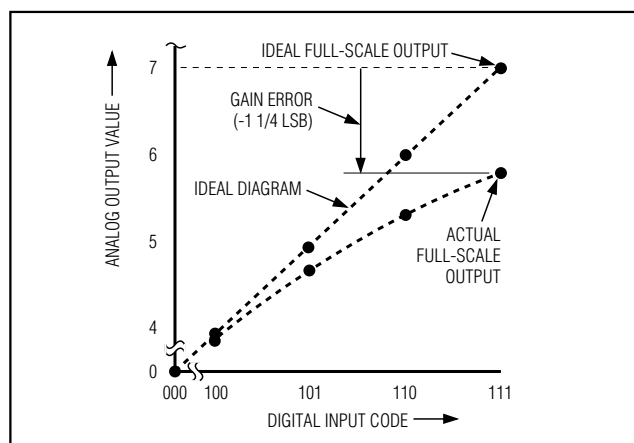


Figure 5d. Gain Error

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## Gain Error

Gain error (Figure 5d) is the difference between the ideal and the actual full-scale output voltage on the transfer curve, after nullifying the offset error. This error alters the slope of the transfer function and corresponds to the same percentage error in each step.

## Settling Time

Settling time is the amount of time required from the start of a transition until the DAC output settles its new output value to within the converter's specified accuracy.

## Digital Feedthrough

Digital feedthrough is the noise generated on a DAC's output when any digital input transitions. Proper board layout and grounding will significantly reduce this noise, but there will always be some feedthrough caused by the DAC itself.

## Total Harmonic Distortion

Total harmonic distortion (THD) is the ratio of the RMS sum of the input signal's first four harmonics to the fundamental itself. This is expressed as:

$$\text{THD} = 20 \times \log \left( \frac{\sqrt{V_2^2 + V_3^2 + V_4^2 + V_5^2}}{V_1} \right)$$

where  $V_1$  is the fundamental amplitude, and  $V_2$  through  $V_5$  are the amplitudes of the 2nd- through 5th-order harmonics.

## Spurious-Free Dynamic Range

Spurious-free dynamic range (SFDR) is the ratio of RMS amplitude of the fundamental (maximum signal component) to the RMS value of the next-largest distortion component.

## Differential to Single-Ended Conversion

The MAX4108 low-distortion, high-input bandwidth amplifier may be used to generate a voltage from the MAX5182's current array output. The differential voltage across OUT1P (or OUT2P) and OUT1N (or OUT2N) is converted into a single-ended voltage by designing an appropriate operational amplifier configuration as shown in Figure 6.

## Grounding and Power-Supply Decoupling

Grounding and power-supply decoupling strongly influence the performance of the MAX5182/MAX5185. Unwanted digital crosstalk may couple through the input, reference, power-supply, and ground connections, which may affect dynamic specifications like signal-to-noise ratio or SFDR. In addition, electromagnetic interference (EMI) can either couple into or be generated by the MAX5182/MAX5185. Therefore, grounding and power-supply decoupling guidelines for high-speed, high-frequency applications should be closely followed.

First, a multilayer PC board with separate ground and power-supply planes is recommended. High-speed signals should run on controlled impedance lines directly above the ground plane. Since the MAX5182/MAX5185 have separate analog and digital ground buses (AGND and DGND, respectively), the PC board should also have separate analog and digital ground sections with only one point connecting the two. Digital signals should run above the digital ground, and plane and analog signals should run above the analog ground plane.

Both devices have two power-supply inputs: analog  $V_{DD}$  (AVDD) and digital  $V_{DD}$  (DVDD). Each AVDD input should be decoupled with parallel 10 $\mu$ F and 0.1 $\mu$ F ceramic chip capacitors as close to the pin as possible. Their opposite ends should have the shortest possible connection to the ground plane. The DVDD pins should also have separate 10 $\mu$ F and 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitors, again adjacent to their respective pins. Try to minimize the analog load capacitance for proper operation. For best performance, it is recommended to bypass CREF1 and CREF2 with low-ESR 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitors to AVDD.

The power-supply voltages should also be decoupled at the point they enter the PC board with large tantalum or electrolytic capacitors. Ferrite beads with additional decoupling capacitors forming a pi network could also improve performance.

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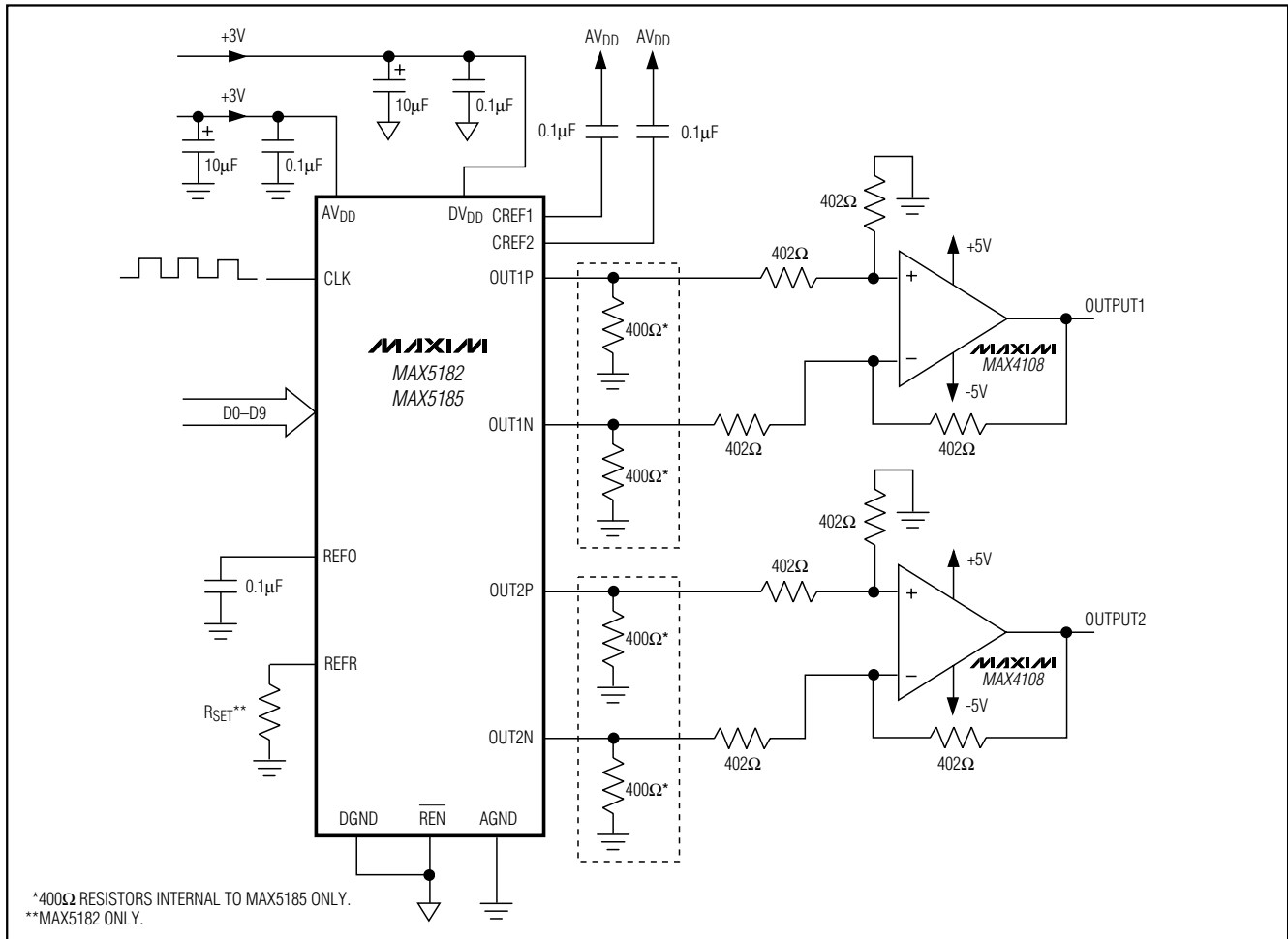


Figure 6. Differential to Single-Ended Conversion Using a Low-Distortion Amplifier

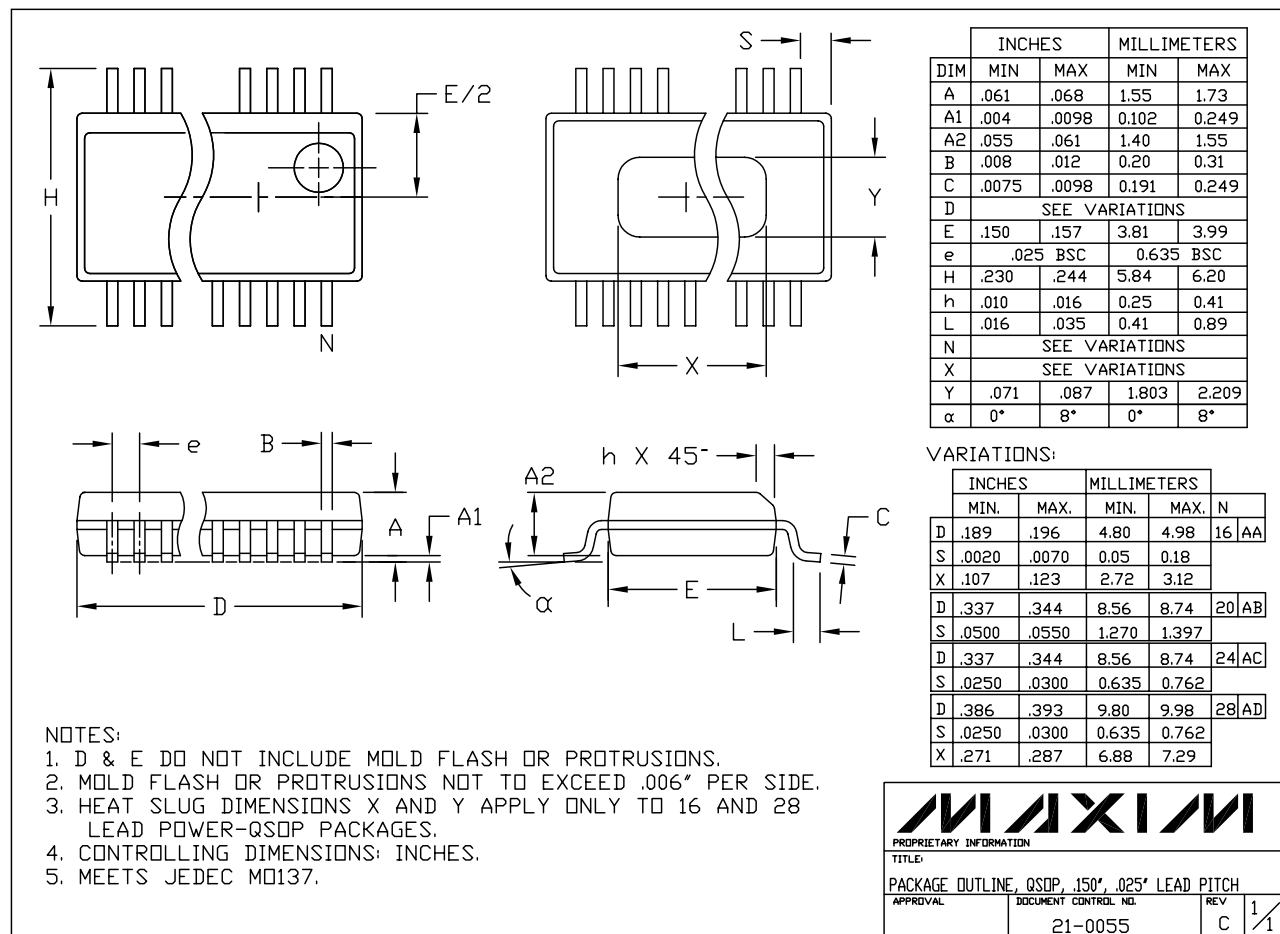
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