

FEATURES

Fixed gain of 20 dB
Operation up to 500 MHz
Input/output internally matched to 50 Ω
Integrated bias control circuit
Output IP3
 41 dBm at 70 MHz
 39 dBm at 190 MHz
Output 1 dB compression: 20.6 dB at 190 MHz
Noise figure: 2.5 dB at 190 MHz
Single 5 V power supply
Small footprint 8-lead LFCSP
ADL5534 20 dB gain dual-channel version
 ± 2 kV ESD (Class 2)

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The **ADL5531** is a broadband, fixed-gain, linear amplifier that operates at frequencies up to 500 MHz. The device can be used in a wide variety of equipment, including cellular, satellite, broadband, and instrumentation equipment.

The **ADL5531** provides a gain of 20 dB, which is stable over frequency, temperature, power supply, and from device to device. This amplifier is single ended and internally matched to 50 Ω . Only input/output ac coupling capacitors, power supply decoupling capacitors, and external inductors are required for operation.

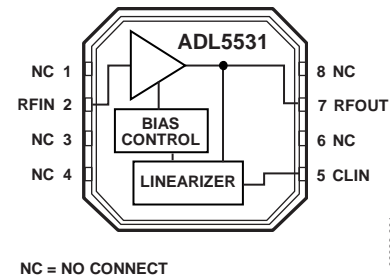
FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM


Figure 1.

The **ADL5531** is fabricated on a GaAs HBT process and has an ESD rating of ± 2 kV (Class 2). The device is packaged in an 8-lead 3 mm \times 3 mm LFCSP that uses an exposed paddle for excellent thermal impedance.

The **ADL5531** consumes 100 mA on a single 5 V supply and is fully specified for operation from -40°C to $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$.

The dual-channel 20 dB gain version, **ADL5534**, is also available from Analog Devices, Inc.

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REVISION HISTORY

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| Added Figure 14, Renumbered Sequentially | 8 |

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| Changes to Features Section and General Description | |
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| Added Exposed Pad Notation to Outline Dimensions | 11 |

8/07—Revision 0: Initial Version

SPECIFICATIONS

VPOS = 5 V and $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, unless otherwise noted.

Table 1.

| Parameter | Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
|-------------------------------|--|------|------------|------|------|
| OVERALL FUNCTION | | | | | |
| Frequency Range | | 20 | | 500 | MHz |
| Gain (S21) | 190 MHz | | 20.3 | | dB |
| Input Return Loss (S11) | 190 MHz | | -19.5 | | dB |
| Output Return Loss (S22) | 190 MHz | | -26.5 | | dB |
| Reverse Isolation (S12) | 190 MHz | | -23.0 | | dB |
| FREQUENCY = 70 MHz | | | | | |
| Gain | | | 20.9 | | dB |
| vs. Frequency | ± 5 MHz | | ± 0.03 | | dB |
| vs. Temperature | $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$ | | ± 0.22 | | dB |
| vs. Supply | 4.75 V to 5.25 V | | ± 0.19 | | dB |
| Output 1 dB Compression Point | | | 20.4 | | dBm |
| Output Third-Order Intercept | $\Delta f = 1$ MHz, output power (P_{out}) = 0 dBm per tone | | 41.0 | | dBm |
| Noise Figure | | | 2.5 | | dB |
| FREQUENCY = 190 MHz | | | | | |
| Gain | | 19.7 | 20.3 | 21.0 | dB |
| vs. Frequency | ± 50 MHz | | ± 0.12 | | dB |
| vs. Temperature | $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$ | | ± 0.22 | | dB |
| vs. Supply | 4.75 V to 5.25 V | | ± 0.17 | | dB |
| Output 1 dB Compression Point | | | 20.6 | | dBm |
| Output Third-Order Intercept | $\Delta f = 1$ MHz, output power (P_{out}) = 0 dBm per tone | | 39.0 | | dBm |
| Noise Figure | | | 2.5 | | dB |
| FREQUENCY = 380 MHz | | | | | |
| Gain | | 19.2 | 19.7 | 20.5 | dB |
| vs. Frequency | ± 50 MHz | | ± 0.15 | | dB |
| vs. Temperature | $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$ | | ± 0.24 | | dB |
| vs. Supply | 4.75 V to 5.25 V | | ± 0.15 | | dB |
| Output 1 dB Compression Point | | | 20.4 | | dBm |
| Output Third-Order Intercept | $\Delta f = 1$ MHz, output power (P_{out}) = 0 dBm per tone | | 36.0 | | dBm |
| Noise Figure | | | 3.0 | | dB |
| POWER INTERFACE | | | | | |
| Supply Voltage | Pin RFOUT | 4.75 | 5 | 5.25 | V |
| Supply Current | | | 100 | 110 | mA |
| vs. Temperature | $-40^\circ\text{C} \leq T_A \leq +85^\circ\text{C}$ | | ± 15 | | mA |
| Power Dissipation | VPOS = 5 V | | 0.5 | | W |

TYPICAL SCATTERING PARAMETERS

VPOS = 5 V and T_A = 25°C. The effects of the test fixture have been de-embedded up to the pins of the device.

Table 2.

| Frequency (MHz) | S11 | | S21 | | S12 | | S22 | |
|-----------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| | Magnitude (dB) | Angle (°) | Magnitude (dB) | Angle (°) | Magnitude (dB) | Angle (°) | Magnitude (dB) | Angle (°) |
| 20 | -19.9933 | -132.614 | 21.99753 | 173.7349 | -24.2574 | 4.854191 | -19.1444 | -46.7161 |
| 50 | -19.6622 | -151.093 | 21.20511 | 170.3258 | -23.4894 | 5.603544 | -21.4752 | -89.9497 |
| 100 | -17.9244 | -166.031 | 20.83152 | 167.5595 | -23.22 | 6.119636 | -23.0386 | -115.741 |
| 150 | -18.4041 | -177.116 | 20.67117 | 164.1871 | -23.0914 | 6.631844 | -23.335 | -119.722 |
| 200 | -18.6386 | +179.6269 | 20.56097 | 160.4721 | -22.9921 | 7.784913 | -22.8555 | -115.855 |
| 250 | -19.2303 | +175.3384 | 20.45422 | 156.5272 | -22.9219 | 8.763143 | -21.6619 | -111.307 |
| 300 | -19.4456 | +175.0622 | 20.34563 | 152.4398 | -22.8475 | 9.908631 | -20.2707 | -106.681 |
| 350 | -20.1783 | +173.422 | 20.21365 | 148.3008 | -22.7662 | 11.21706 | -18.7007 | -104.369 |
| 400 | -20.2409 | +174.1593 | 20.07116 | 144.2311 | -22.665 | 12.36953 | -17.1242 | -103.565 |
| 450 | -20.7266 | +175.6233 | 19.90932 | 140.0789 | -22.5569 | 13.57857 | -15.726 | -103.863 |
| 500 | -20.6064 | +175.853 | 19.72779 | 135.9952 | -22.4519 | 14.73385 | -14.41 | -105.079 |

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Table 3.

| Parameter | Rating |
|--|-----------------|
| Supply Voltage on RFOUT | 5.5 V |
| Input Power on RFIN | 10 dBm |
| Internal Power Dissipation (Paddle Soldered) | 600 mW |
| θ_{JA} (Junction to Air) | 103°C/W |
| Maximum Junction Temperature | 150°C |
| Operating Temperature Range | –40°C to +85°C |
| Storage Temperature Range | –65°C to +150°C |
| ESD Rating—Human Body Model | ±2 kV |

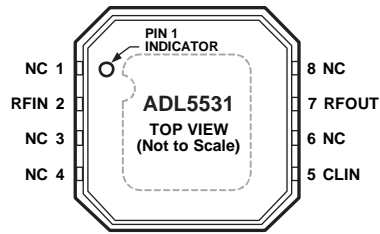
Stresses above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only; functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational section of this specification is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

ESD CAUTION



ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS



NOTES
 1. NC = NO CONNECT.
 2. EXPOSED PAD. SOLDER THIS PAD TO A LOW IMPEDANCE GROUND PLANE.

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Figure 2. Pin Configuration

Table 4. Pin Function Descriptions

| Pin No. | Mnemonic | Description |
|---------------|-------------|---|
| 1, 3, 4, 6, 8 | NC | No Connect. |
| 2 | RFIN | RF Input. Requires a 10 nF dc blocking capacitor. |
| 5 | CLIN | A 1 nF capacitor connected between Pin 5 and ground provides decoupling for the on-board linearizer. |
| 7 | RFOUT | RF Output and Bias. DC bias is provided to this pin through a 470 nH inductor (Coilcraft 1008CS-471XJLC or equivalent). The RF path requires a 10 nF dc blocking capacitor. |
| EP | Exposed Pad | GND. Solder this pad to a low impedance ground plane. |

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

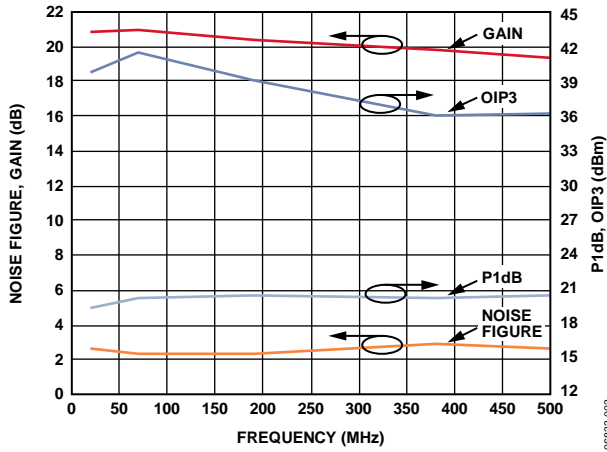


Figure 3. Noise Figure, Gain, P1dB, and OIP3 vs. Frequency

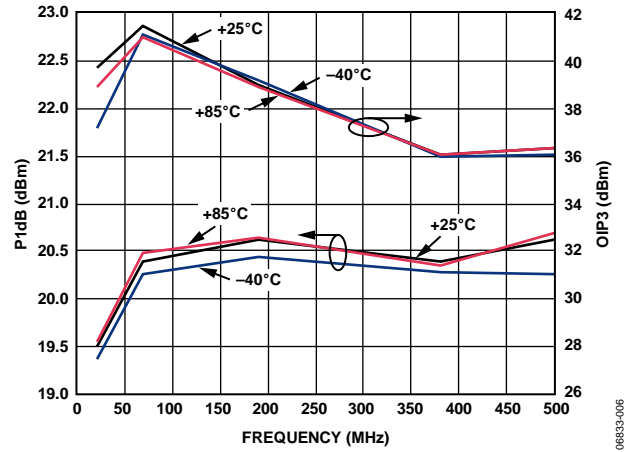


Figure 6. P1dB and OIP3 vs. Frequency and Temperature

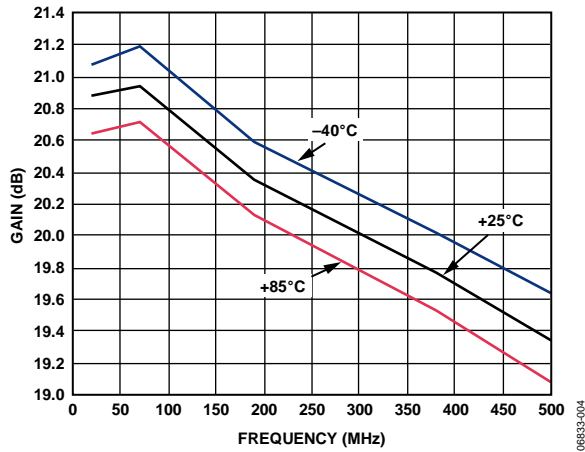


Figure 4. Gain vs. Frequency and Temperature

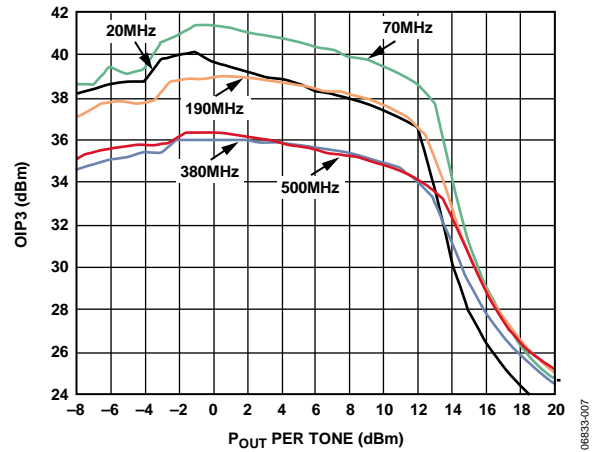


Figure 7. OIP3 vs. Output Power (P_{OUT}) and Frequency

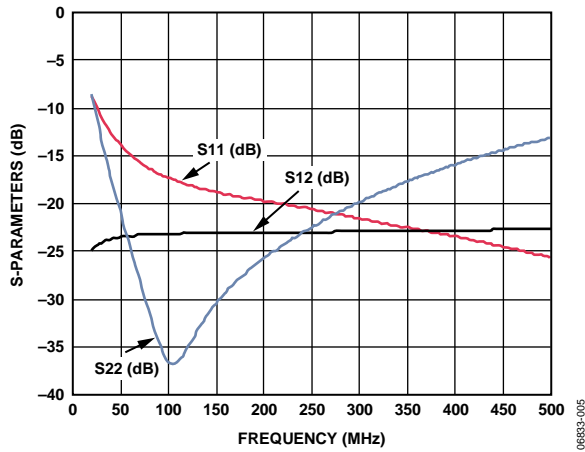


Figure 5. Input Return Loss (S_{11}), Reverse Isolation (S_{12}), and Output Return Loss (S_{22}) vs. Frequency

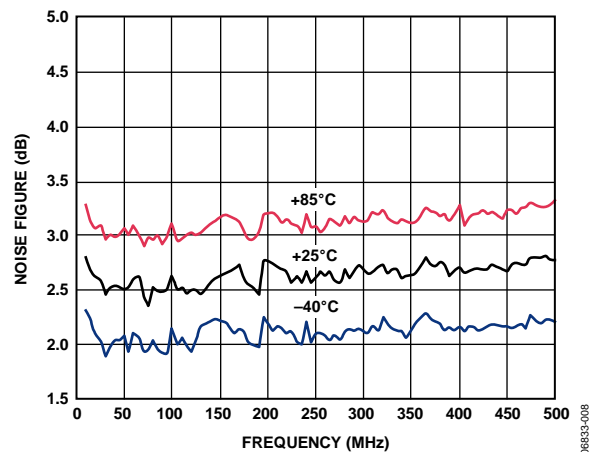


Figure 8. Noise Figure vs. Frequency and Temperature

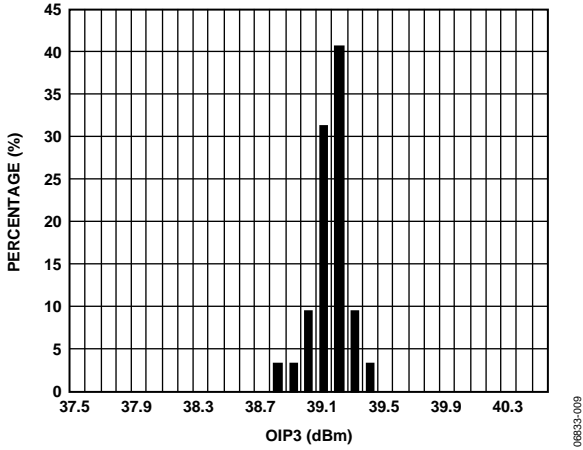


Figure 9. OIP3 Distribution at 190 MHz

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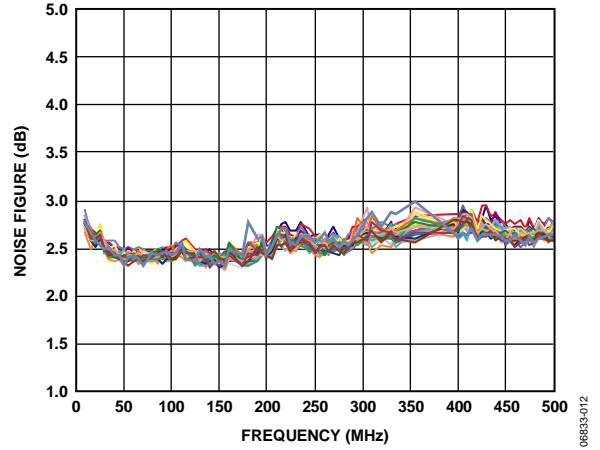


Figure 12. Noise Figure vs. Frequency at 25°C, Multiple Devices Shown

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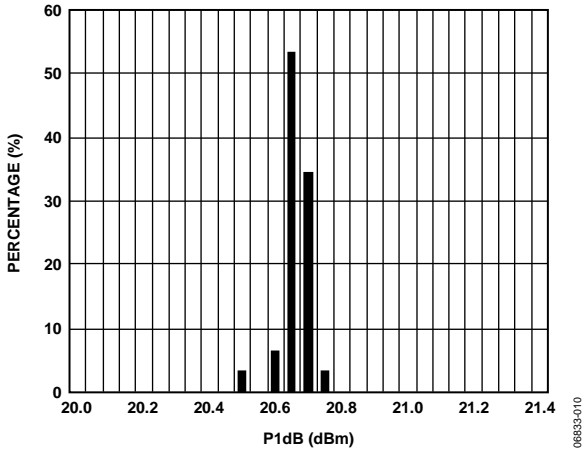


Figure 10. P1dB Distribution at 190 MHz

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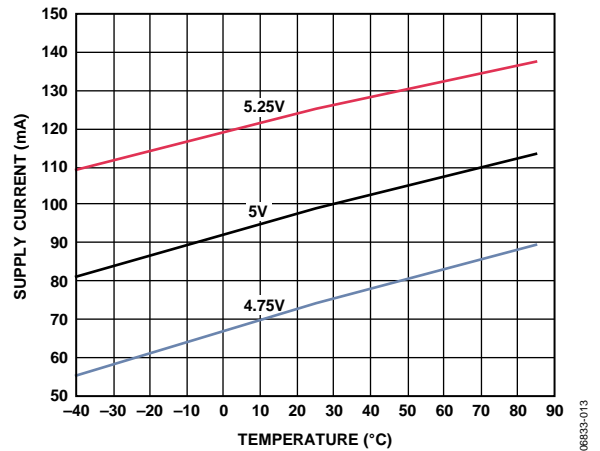


Figure 13. Supply Current vs. Supply Voltage and Temperature

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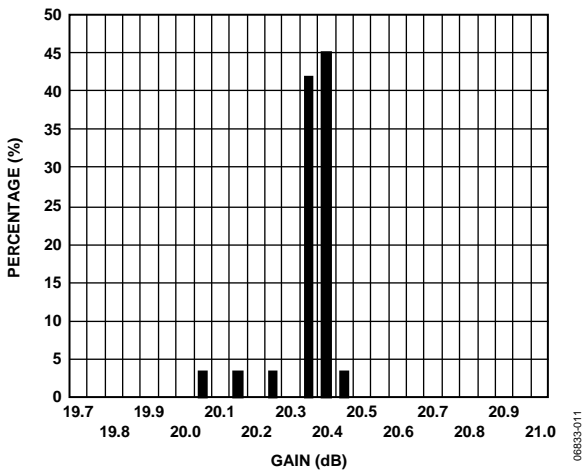


Figure 11. Gain Distribution at 190 MHz

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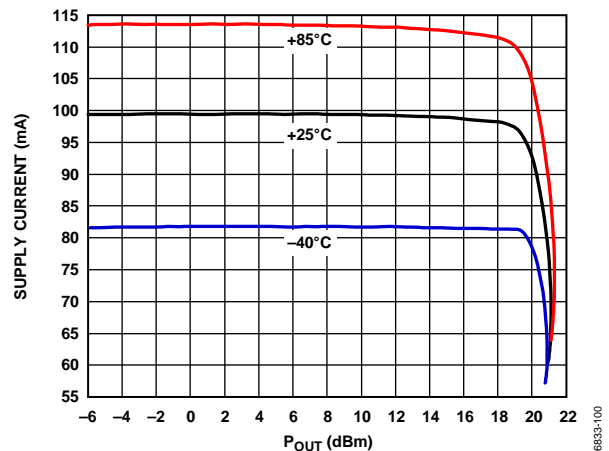


Figure 14. Supply Current vs. P_{OUT} and Temperature

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BASIC CONNECTIONS

The basic connections for operating the ADL5531 are shown in Figure 16. The input and output are ac-coupled with 10 nF (0402) capacitors. DC bias is provided to the amplifier via an inductor (Coilcraft 1008CS-471XJLC or equivalent) connected to the RFOUT pin. The bias voltage should be decoupled using 10 nF and 1 μ F capacitors.

SOLDERING INFORMATION AND RECOMMENDED PCB LAND PATTERN

Figure 15 shows the recommended land pattern for ADL5531. To minimize thermal impedance, the exposed pad on the package underside is soldered down to a ground plane. If multiple ground layers exist, they are stitched together using vias (a minimum of five vias is recommended). Pin 1, Pin 3, Pin 4, Pin 6, and Pin 8 can be left unconnected or can be connected to ground. Connecting these pins to ground slightly enhances thermal impedance. For more information on land pattern design and layout, refer to AN-772 Application Note, A Design and Manufacturing Guide for the Lead Frame Chip Scale Package (LFCSP).

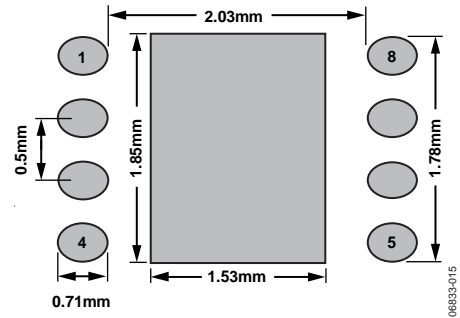


Figure 15. Recommended Land Pattern

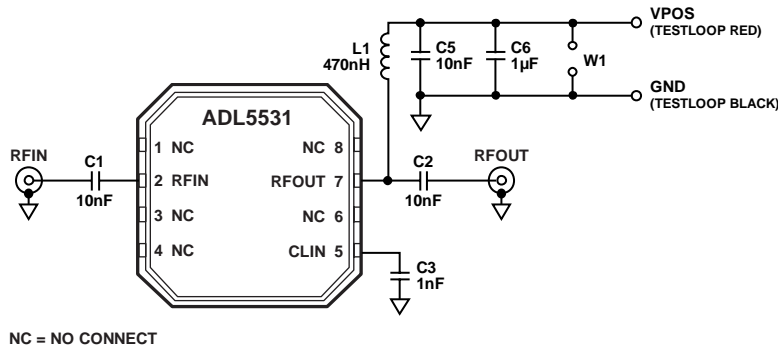


Figure 16. Basic Connections

EVALUATION BOARD

Figure 19 shows the schematic for the ADL5531 evaluation board. The board is powered by a single 5 V supply.

The components used on the board are listed in Table 5. Power can be applied to the board through clip-on leads or through Jumper W1. Note that C4, C7, C8, L3, L4, L5, R1, and R2 have no function.

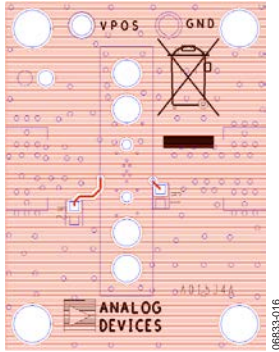


Figure 17. Evaluation Board Layout (Bottom)

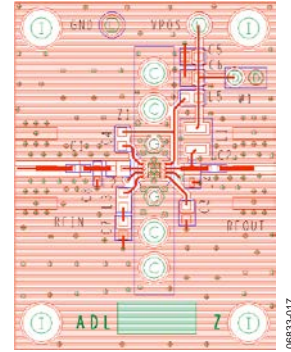


Figure 18. Evaluation Board Layout (Top)

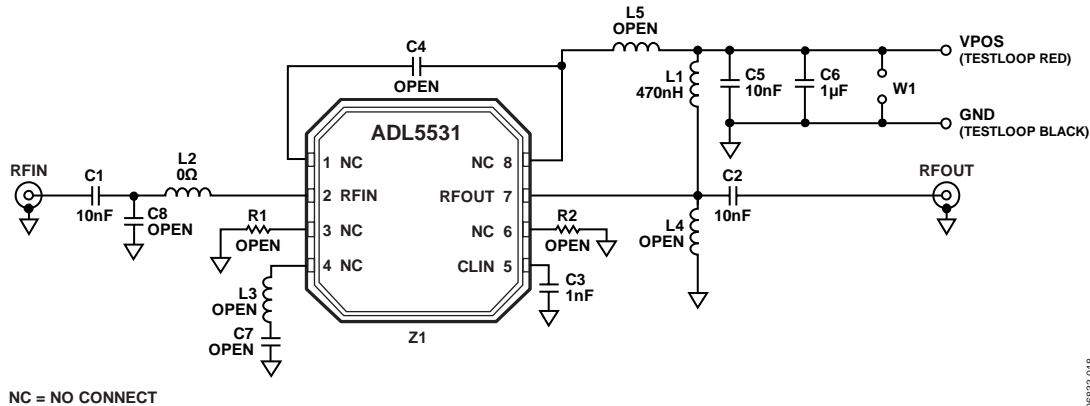
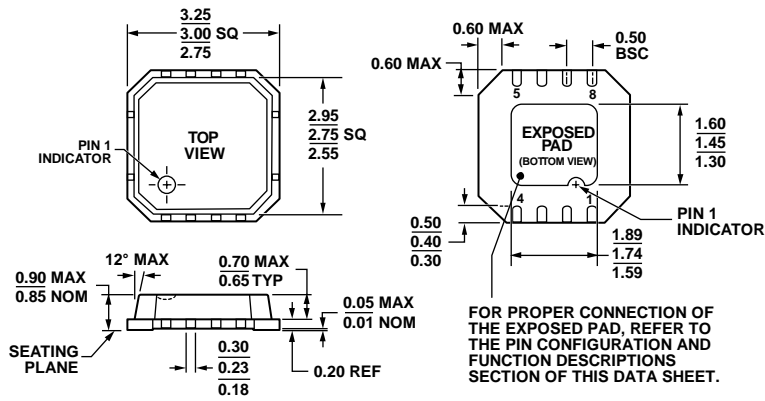


Figure 19. Evaluation Board Schematic

Table 5. Evaluation Board Configuration Options

| Component | Function | Default Value |
|-------------|--|---|
| Z1 | DUT | ADL5531 |
| C1, C2 | AC coupling capacitors | 10 nF, 0402 |
| C3 | Linearizer capacitor | 1 nF, 0603 |
| C5 | Power supply decoupling capacitor | 10 nF, 0603 |
| C6 | Power supply decoupling capacitor | 1 µF, 0603 |
| C4, C7, C8 | | Open |
| R1, R2 | | Open |
| L1 | DC bias inductor | 470 nH, 1008 (Coilcraft 1008CS-471XJLC or equivalent) |
| L2 | | 0 Ω, 0402 |
| L3, L4, L5 | | Open |
| VPOS, GND | Clip-on terminals for power supply | VPOS, GND |
| W1 | 2-pin jumper for connection of ground and supply via cable | W1 |
| RFIN, RFOUT | 50 Ω SMA female connectors | RFIN, RFOUT |

OUTLINE DIMENSIONS



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Figure 20. 8-Lead Lead Frame Chip Scale Package [LFCSP_VD]
 3 mm × 3 mm Body, Very Thin, Dual Lead
 CP-8-2
 Dimensions shown in millimeters

ORDERING GUIDE

| Model ¹ | Temperature Range | Package Description | Package Option | Branding |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------|
| ADL5531ACPZ-R7 | -40°C to +85°C | 8-Lead LFCSP_VD, 7" Tape and Reel | CP-8-2 | Q16 |
| ADL5531-EVALZ | | Evaluation Board | | |

¹ Z = RoHS Compliant Part.

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