

## <span id="page-0-0"></span>**FEATURES**

**With no external resistors Difference amplifier: gains of 0.5, 1, or 2 Single ended amplifiers: over 40 different gains Set reference voltage at midsupply Excellent ac specifications 15 MHz bandwidth 30 V/μs slew rate High accuracy dc performance 0.08% maximum gain error 10 ppm/°C maximum gain drift 80 dB minimum CMRR (G = 2) Two channels in small 4 mm × 4 mm LFCSP Supply current: 2.5 mA per channel Supply range: ±2.5 V to ±18 V** 

## <span id="page-0-1"></span>**APPLICATIONS**

**Instrumentation amplifier building blocks Level translators Automatic test equipment High performance audio Sine/cosine encoders** 

## <span id="page-0-3"></span>**GENERAL DESCRIPTION**

The [AD8270 i](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)s a low distortion, dual-channel amplifier with internal gain setting resistors. With no external components, it can be configured as a high performance difference amplifier with gains of 0.5, 1, or 2. It can also be configured in over 40 singleended configurations, with gains ranging from −2 to +3.

The [AD8270 i](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)s the first dual-difference amplifier in the small  $4 \text{ mm} \times 4 \text{ mm}$  LFCSP. It requires the same board area as a typical single-difference amplifier. The smaller package allows a 2× increase in channel density and a lower cost per channel, all with no compromise in performance.

# Precision Dual-Channel Difference Amplifier

# Data Sheet **[AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)**

## **FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM**

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The [AD8270 o](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)perates on both single and dual supplies and requires only 2.5 mA maximum supply current for each amplifier. It is specified over the industrial temperature range of −40°C to +85°C and is fully RoHS compliant.

### **Table 1. Difference Amplifiers by Category**



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## <span id="page-2-1"></span>**DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER CONFIGURATIONS**

 $V_S = \pm 15$  V,  $V_{REF} = 0$  V,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ ,  $R_{LOAD} = 2$  k $\Omega$ , specifications referred to input, unless otherwise noted.

### **Table 2.**



<sup>1</sup> Includes amplifier voltage and current noise, as well as noise of internal resistors.

<sup>2</sup> Includes input bias and offset errors.

<sup>3</sup> At voltages beyond the rails, internal ESD diodes begin to turn on. In some configurations, the input voltage range may be limited by the internal op amp (see the [Input Voltage Range](#page-13-0) section for details).

<sup>4</sup> Internal resistors are trimmed to be ratio matched but have ±20% absolute accuracy. Common-mode resistance was calculated with both inputs in parallel. Commonmode impedance at only one input is 2× the resistance listed.

 $V_S = \pm 5$  V,  $V_{REF} = 0$  V,  $T_A = 25$ °C,  $R_{LOAD} = 2$  k $\Omega$ , specifications referred to input, unless otherwise noted.

## **Table 3.**



<sup>1</sup> Includes amplifier voltage and current noise, as well as noise of internal resistors.

<sup>2</sup> Includes input bias and offset errors.

<sup>3</sup> At voltages beyond the rails, internal ESD diodes begin to turn on. In some configurations, the input voltage range may be limited by the internal op amp (see the [Input Voltage Range](#page-13-0) section for details).

<sup>4</sup> Internal resistors are trimmed to be ratio matched but have ±20% absolute accuracy. Common-mode resistance was calculated with both inputs in parallel. Commonmode impedance at only one input is 2x the resistance listed.

## <span id="page-4-0"></span>ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

### **Table 4.**



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

## <span id="page-4-1"></span>**THERMAL RESISTANCE**

### <span id="page-4-5"></span>**Table 5. Thermal Resistance**



The  $\theta_{JA}$  values in [Table 5](#page-4-5) assume a 4-layer JEDEC standard board with zero airflow. If the thermal pad is soldered to the board, it is also assumed it is connected to a plane.  $\theta_{\text{JC}}$  at the exposed pad is 9.7°C/W.

## <span id="page-4-2"></span>**MAXIMUM POWER DISSIPATION**

The maximum safe power dissipation for the [AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) is limited by the associated rise in junction temperature  $(T_J)$  on the die. At approximately 130°C, which is the glass transition temperature, the plastic changes its properties. Even temporarily exceeding this temperature limit may change the stresses that the package exerts on the die, permanently shifting the parametric performance of the amplifiers. Exceeding a temperature of 130°C for an extended period of time can result in a loss of functionality.

The [AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) has built-in, short-circuit protection that limits the output current to approximately 100 mA (se[e Figure 19](#page-8-0) for more information). While the short-circuit condition itself does not damage the device, the heat generated by the condition can cause the device to exceed its maximum junction temperature, with corresponding negative effects on reliability.



*Figure 2. Maximum Power Dissipation vs. Ambient Temperature*

## <span id="page-4-4"></span><span id="page-4-3"></span>**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.

## <span id="page-5-0"></span>PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS



### **Table 6. Pin Function Descriptions**



## <span id="page-6-0"></span>TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

 $V_s = \pm 15$  V,  $T_A = 25$ °C, difference amplifier configuration, unless otherwise noted.



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Figure 6. Typical Distribution of Gain Error,  $G = 1$ 



Figure 7. Common-Mode Input Voltage vs. Output Voltage, Gain =  $0.5$ ,  $\pm$ 15 V Supplies



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Figure 9. Common-Mode Input Voltage vs. Output Voltage, Gain =  $1, ±15$  V Supplies







Figure 11. Common-Mode Input Voltage vs. Output Voltage, Gain =  $2, \pm 15$  V Supplies



Figure 12. Common-Mode Input Voltage vs. Output Voltage, Gain =  $2, \pm 5$  V and  $\pm 2.5$  V Supplies











Figure 15. Output Voltage Swing vs. Large Signal Frequency Response

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Figure 22. Small Signal Step Response, Gain = 0.5



Figure 23. Small Signal Step Response, Gain = 1



Figure 24. Small Signal Step Response, Gain = 2



Figure 25. Small Signal Overshoot with Capacitive Load, Gain = 0.5



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Figure 27. Small Signal Overshoot with Capacitive Load, Gain = 2



Figure 28. Large Signal Pulse Response Gain = 0.5



Figure 29. Large Signal Pulse Response Gain = 1



Figure 30. Large Signal Pulse Response, Gain = 2





Figure 32. Voltage Noise Spectral Density vs. Frequency, Referred to Output



Figure 33. 0.1 Hz to 10 Hz Voltage Noise, Referred to Output



Figure 34. Typical Distribution of Op Amp Voltage Offset



Figure 35. Typical Distribution of Op Amp Bias Current



Figure 36. Typical Distribution of Op Amp Offset Current



Figure 37. Change in Op Amp Offset Voltage vs. Warm-Up Time



Figure 38. 0.1 Hz to 10 Hz Current Noise of Internal Op Amp



Figure 39. Current Noise Spectral Density of Internal Op Amp

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## <span id="page-12-1"></span>**CIRCUIT INFORMATION**

The [AD8270 h](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)as two channels, each consisting of a high precision, low distortion op amp and seven trimmed resistors. These resistors can be connected to make a wide variety of amplifier configurations: difference, noninverting, inverting, and more. The resistors on the chip can be connected in parallel for a wider range of options. Using the on-chip resistors of the [AD8270 p](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)rovides the designer several advantages over a discrete design.

## **DC Performance**

Much of the dc performance of op amp circuits depends on the accuracy of the surrounding resistors. The resistors on th[e AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) are laid out to be tightly matched. The resistors of each device are laser trimmed and tested for their matching accuracy. Because of this trimming and testing, th[e AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) can guarantee high accuracy for specifications such as gain drift, common-mode rejection, and gain error.

## **AC Performance**

Because feature size is much smaller in an integrated circuit than on a printed circuit board (PCB), the corresponding parasitics are smaller, as well. The smaller feature size helps the ac performance of the [AD8270.](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) For example, the positive and negative input terminals of th[e AD8270 o](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)p amp are not pinned out intentionally. By not connecting these nodes to the traces on the PCB, the capacitance remains low, resulting in both improved loop stability and common-mode rejection over frequency.

## **Production Costs**

Because one part, rather than several, is placed on the PCB, the board can be built more quickly.

## **Size**

The [AD8270 f](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)its two op amps and 14 resistors in a 4 mm  $\times$ 4 mm package.

## <span id="page-12-2"></span>**DRIVING TH[E AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)**

The [AD8270 i](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)s easy to drive, with all configurations presenting at least several kilohms (k $\Omega$ ) of input resistance. Th[e AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) should be driven with a low impedance source: for example, another amplifier. The gain accuracy and common-mode rejection of the [AD8270 d](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)epend on the matching of its resistors. Even source resistance of a few ohms can have a substantial effect on these specifications.

## <span id="page-12-3"></span>**PACKAGE CONSIDERATIONS**

The [AD8270 i](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)s packaged in a 4 mm  $\times$  4 mm LFCSP. Beware of blindly copying the footprint from another  $4 \text{ mm} \times 4 \text{ mm}$  LFCSP device; it may not have the same thermal pad size and leads. Refer to th[e Outline Dimensions s](#page-18-0)ection to verify that the PCB symbol has the correct dimensions.

The 4 mm  $\times$  4 mm LFCSP of the [AD8270 c](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)omes with a thermal pad. This pad is connected internally to  $-V<sub>S</sub>$ . Connecting to this pad is not necessary for electrical performance; the pad can be left unconnected or can be connected to the negative supply rail.

Connecting the pad to the negative supply rail is recommended in high vibration applications or when good heat dissipation is required (for example, with high ambient temperatures or when driving heavy loads). For best heat dissipation performance, the negative supply rail should be a plane in the board. See th[e Absolute](#page-4-0)  [Maximum Ratings s](#page-4-0)ection for thermal coefficients with and without the pad soldered.

Space between the leads and thermal pad should be as wide as possible to minimize the risk of contaminants affecting performance. A thorough washing of the board is recommended after the soldering process, especially if high accuracy performance is required at high temperatures.

## <span id="page-12-4"></span>**POWER SUPPLIES**

A stable dc voltage should be used to power th[e AD8270.](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) Noise on the supply pins can adversely affect performance. A bypass capacitor of 0.1 μF should be placed between each supply pin and ground, as close as possible to each supply pin. A tantalum capacitor of 10 μF should also be used between each supply and ground. It can be farther away from the supply pins and, typically, it can be shared by other precision integrated circuits.

Th[e AD8270 i](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)s specified at  $\pm 15$  V and  $\pm 5$  V, but it can be used with unbalanced supplies, as well. For example,  $-V<sub>S</sub> = 0$  V,  $+V<sub>S</sub> = 20$  V. The difference between the two supplies must be kept below 36 V.

## <span id="page-13-0"></span>**INPUT VOLTAGE RANGE**

The [AD8270 h](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)as a true rail-to-rail input range for the majority of applications. Because mos[t AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) configurations divide down the voltage before they reach the internal op amp, the op amp sees only a fraction of the input voltage. [Figure 41 s](#page-13-1)hows an example of how the voltage division works in the difference amplifier configuration.



<span id="page-13-1"></span>Figure 41. Voltage Division in the Difference Amplifier Configuration

The internal op amp voltage range may be relevant in the following applications, and calculating the voltage at the internal op amp is advised.

- Difference amplifier configurations using supply voltages of less than ±4.5 V
- Difference amplifier configurations with a reference voltage near the rail
- Single-ended amplifier configurations

For correct operation, the input voltages at the internal op amp must stay within 1.5 V of either supply rail.

Voltages beyond the supply rails should not be applied to the device. The device contains ESD diodes at the input pins, which conduct if voltages beyond the rails are applied. Currents greater than 5 mA can damage these diodes and the device. For a similar device that can operate with voltages beyond the rails, see the [AD8273 d](http://www.analog.com/AD8273?doc=ad8270.pdf)ata sheet.

## <span id="page-14-0"></span>APPLICATIONS INFORMATION **DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER CONFIGURATIONS**

<span id="page-14-1"></span>Th[e AD8270 c](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)an be placed in difference amplifier configurations with gains of 0.5, 1, and 2[. Figure 42](#page-14-3) through [Figure 44 s](#page-14-4)how the difference amplifier configurations, referenced to ground. The [AD8270 c](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)an also be referred to a combination of reference voltages. For example, the reference could be set at 2.5 V, using just 5 V and GND. Some of the possible configurations are shown i[n Figure 45 t](#page-14-5)hroug[h Figure 47.](#page-14-6)

The layout for Channel A is shown i[n Figure 42](#page-14-3) throug[h Figure 47.](#page-14-6) The layout for Channel B is symmetrical[. Table 7 s](#page-14-7)hows the pin connections for Channel A and Channel B.



<span id="page-14-3"></span>Figure 42. Gain = 0.5 Difference Amplifier, Referenced to Ground



Figure 43. Gain = 1 Difference Amplifier, Referenced to Ground



<span id="page-14-4"></span>Figure 44. Gain = 2 Difference Amplifier, Referenced to Ground

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## <span id="page-14-2"></span>**SINGLE-ENDED CONFIGURATIONS**

The [AD8270 c](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)an be configured for a wide variety of single-ended configurations with gains ranging from −2 to +3[. Table 8](#page-15-0) shows a subset of the possible configurations.

Many signal gains have more than one configuration choice, which allows freedom in choosing the op amp closed-loop gain. In general, for designs that need to be stable with a large capacitive load on the output, choose a configuration with high loop gain. Otherwise, choose a configuration with low loop gain, because these configurations typically have lower noise, lower offset, and higher bandwidth.



<span id="page-14-5"></span>Figure 45. Gain = 0.5 Difference Amplifier, Referenced to Midsupply



Figure 46. Gain = 1 Difference Amplifier, Referenced to Midsupply



<span id="page-14-6"></span>Figure 47. Gain = 2 Difference Amplifier, Referenced to Midsupply



<span id="page-15-0"></span>**Table 8. Selected Single-Ended Configurations** 



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The [AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) [Specifications s](#page-2-0)ection an[d Typical Performance](#page-6-0)  [Characteristics s](#page-6-0)ection show the performance of the device primarily when it is in the difference amplifier configuration. To get a good estimate of the performance of the device in a singleended configuration, refer to the difference amplifier configuration with the corresponding closed-loop gain (se[e Table 9\)](#page-16-1).

<span id="page-16-1"></span>**Table 9. Closed-Loop Gain of the Difference Amplifiers** 



## **Gain of 1 Configuration**

The [AD8270 i](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)s designed to be stable for loop gains of 1.5 and greater. Because a typical voltage follower configuration has a loop gain of 1, it may be unstable. Several stable  $G = 1$  configurations are listed i[n Table 8.](#page-15-0) 

## <span id="page-16-0"></span>**DIFFERENTIAL OUTPUT**

The [AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) can easily be configured for differential output. [Figure 48 s](#page-16-2)hows the configuration for a  $G = 1$  differential output amplifier. The OCM node in the figure sets the common-mode output voltage[. Figure 49 s](#page-16-3)hows the configuration for a  $G = 1$ differential output amplifier, where the average of two voltages sets the common-mode output voltage. For example, this configuration can be used to set the common mode at 2.5 V, using just a 5 V reference and GND.



<span id="page-16-2"></span>Figure 48. Differential Output, G = 1, Common-Mode Output Voltage Set with Reference Voltage



<span id="page-16-3"></span>Figure 49. Differential Output, G = 1, Common-Mode Output Voltage Set as the Average of Two Voltages

Note that these two configurations are based on the  $G = 0.5$ difference amplifier configurations shown in [Figure 42 a](#page-14-3)nd [Figure 45.](#page-14-5) A similar technique can be used to create differential output with a gain of 2 or 4, using the  $G = 1$  and  $G = 2$  difference amplifier configurations, respectively.

## <span id="page-17-0"></span>**DRIVING AN ADC**

The high slew rate and drive capability of th[e AD8270,](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) combined with its dc accuracy, make it a good analog-to-digital converter (ADC) driver. Th[e AD8270 c](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)an drive both single-ended and differential input ADCs. Many converters require the output to be buffered with a small value resistor combined with a high quality ceramic capacitor. See the converter data sheet for more details[. Figure 51 s](#page-17-2)hows th[e AD8270 i](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)n differential configuration, driving the [AD7688 A](http://www.analog.com/AD7688?doc=ad8270.pdf)DC. Th[e AD8270 d](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)ivides down the 5 V reference voltage from th[e ADR435,](http://www.analog.com/ADR435?doc=ad8270.pdf) so that the common-mode output voltage is 2.5 V, which is precisely where the [AD7688](http://www.analog.com/AD7688?doc=ad8270.pdf) needs it.

## <span id="page-17-1"></span>**DRIVING CABLING**

All cables have a certain capacitance per unit length, which varies widely with cable type. The capacitive load from the cable may cause peaking or instability in output response, especially when the [AD8270 i](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf)s operating in a gain of 0.5.

To reduce the peaking, use a resistor between th[e AD8270](http://www.analog.com/AD8270?doc=ad8270.pdf) and the cable. Because cable capacitance and desired output response vary widely, this resistor is best determined empirically. A good starting point is 20  $Ω$ .



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## <span id="page-18-0"></span>OUTLINE DIMENSIONS



*Dimensions are shown in millimeters*

## <span id="page-18-1"></span>**ORDERING GUIDE**



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