

Y Single/Dual/Quad 18MHz, Low Noise, Rail-to-Rail Output, CMOS Op Amps

## **FEATURES**

- 0.1Hz to 10Hz Noise: 550nV<sub>P-P</sub>
- Input Bias Current: 0.2pA (Typ at 25°C) 1pA Max (LT6240)
- Low Offset Voltage: 125µV Max
- Low Offset Drift: 2.5µV/°C Max
- Gain Bandwidth Product: 18MHz
- Output Swings Rail-to-Rail
- Supply Operation:
  - 2.8V to 6V LTC6240/LTC6241/LTC6242
  - 2.8V to ±5.5V LTC6240HV/LTC6241HV/LTC6242HV
- Low Input Capacitance
- H Grade Temperature Range: -40°C to 125°C
- Single LTC6240 in 5-Pin SOT-23 Package and 8-Pin SO for PCB Guard Ring
- Dual LTC6241 in 8-Pin SO and Tiny DFN Packages
- Quad LTC6242 in 16-Pin SSOP and 5mm × 3mm DFN Packages

## **APPLICATIONS**

- Photo Diode Amplifiers
- Charge Coupled Amplifiers
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  - Medical Instrumentation
  - High Impedance Transducer Amplifier

## DESCRIPTION

The LTC®6240/6241/LTC6242 are single, dual and quad low noise, low offset, rail-to-rail output, unity gain stable CMOS op amps that feature 1pA of input bias current. Input bias current is guaranteed to be 1pA max on the single LTC6240. The 0.1Hz to 10Hz noise of only  $550nV_{P-P}$ , along with an offset of just  $125\mu V$  are significant improvements over traditional CMOS op amps. Additionally, noise is guaranteed to be less than  $10nV/\sqrt{Hz}$  at 1kHz. An 18MHz gain bandwidth, and  $10V/\mu s$  slew rate, along with the wide supply range and low input capacitance, make them perfect for use as fast signal processing amplifiers.

These op amps have an output stage that swings within  $30\,\text{mV}$  of either supply rail to maximize the signal dynamic range in low supply applications. The input common mode range extends to the negative supply. They are fully specified on 3V and 5V, and an HV version guarantees operation on supplies up to  $\pm 5V$ .

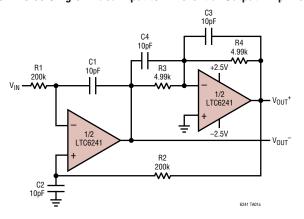
The LTC6240 is available in the 8-pin SO and the 5-pin SOT-23 packages. The LTC6241 is available in the 8-pin SO, and for compact designs it is packaged in a tiny dual fine pitch leadless (DFN) package. The LTC6242 is available in the 16-Pin SSOP as well as the 5mm  $\times$  3mm DFN package.

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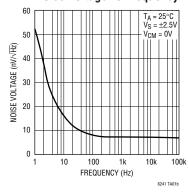
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## TYPICAL APPLICATION

Low Noise Single-Ended Input to Differential Output Amplifier



### Noise Voltage vs Frequency



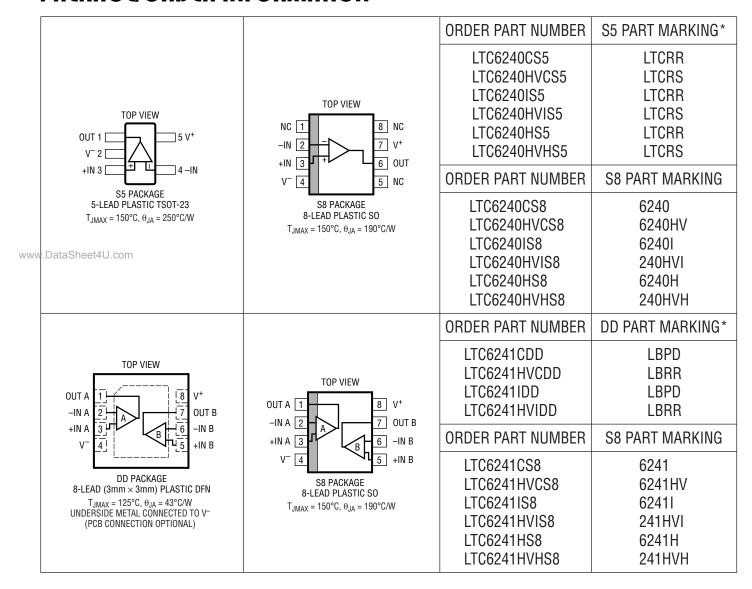


## **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS** (Note 1)

Total Supply Voltage (V <sup>+</sup> to V <sup>-</sup> )
LTC6240/LTC6241/LTC62427V
LTC6240HV/LTC6241HV/LTC6242HV12V
Input Voltage $(V^+ + 0.3V)$ to $(V^ 0.3V)$
Input Current±10mA
Output Short Circuit Duration (Note 2) Indefinite
Operating Temperature Range
LTC6240C/LTC6241C/LTC6242C40°C to 85°C
LTC6240I/LTC6241I/LTC6242I40°C to 85°C
LTC6240H/LTC6241H/LTC6242H40°C to 125°C

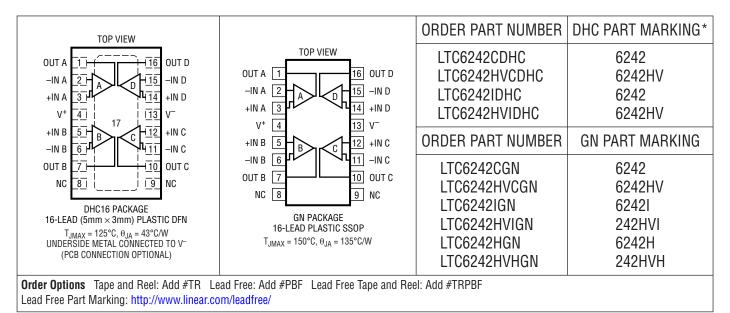
Specified Temperature Range (Note 3)	
LTC6240C/LTC6241C/LTC6242C	0°C to 70°C
LTC6240I/LTC6241I/LTC6242I	–40°C to 85°C
LTC6240H/LTC6241H/LTC6242H	–40°C to 125°C
Junction Temperature	150°C
DHC, DD Package	125°C
Storage Temperature Range	65°C to 150°C
DHC, DD Package	65°C to 125°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec).	300°C

## PACKAGE/ORDER INFORMATION



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<sup>\*</sup>The temperature grade is identified by a label on the shipping container. Consult LTC Marketing for parts specified with wider operating temperature ranges.

## **AVAILABLE OPTIONS**

PART NUMBER	AMPS/PACKAGE	SPECIFIED TEMP RANGE	SPECIFIED SUPPLY VOLTAGE	PACKAGE	PART MARKING
LTC6240CS5	1	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V	S0T-23	LTCRR
LTC6240CS8	1	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V	SO-8	6240
LTC6240HVCS5	1	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	S0T-23	LTCRS
w <b>LT06240H∀G\$8</b> com	1	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	SO-8	6240HV
LTC6240IS5	1	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V	S0T-23	LTCRR
LTC6240IS8	1	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V	SO-8	62401
LTC6240HVIS5	1	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	S0T-23	LTCRS
LTC6240HVIS8	1	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	SO-8	240HVI
LTC6240HS5	1	-40°C to 125°C	3V, 5V	S0T-23	LTCRR
LTC6240HS8	1	-40°C to 125°C	3V, 5V	SO-8	6240H
LTC6240HVHS5	1	-40°C to 125°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	S0T-23	LTCRS
LTC6240HVHS8	1	-40°C to 125°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	SO-8	240HVH
LTC6241CS8	2	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V	SO-8	6241
LTC6241CDD	2	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V	DD	LBPD
LTC6241HVCS8	2	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	SO-8	6241HV
LTC6241HVCDD	2	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	DD	LBRR
LTC6241IS8	2	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V	SO-8	62411
LTC6241IDD	2	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V	DD	LBPD
LTC6241HVIS8	2	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	SO-8	241HVI
LTC6241HVIDD	2	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	DD	LBRR
LTC6241HS8	2	-40°C to 125°C	3V, 5V	SO-8	6241H
LTC6241HVHS8	2	-40°C to 125°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	SO-8	241HVH



## **AVAILABLE OPTIONS**

PART NUMBER	AMPS/PACKAGE	SPECIFIED TEMP RANGE	SPECIFIED SUPPLY VOLTAGE	PACKAGE	PART MARKING
LTC6242CGN	4	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V	GN	6242
LTC6242CDHC	4	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V	DHC	6242
LTC6242HVCGN	4	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	GN	6242HV
LTC6242HVCDHC	4	0°C to 70°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	DHC	6242HV
LTC6242IGN	4	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V	GN	62421
LTC6242IDHC	4	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V	DHC	6242
LTC6242HVIGN	4	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	GN	242HVI
LTC6242HVIDHC	4	-40°C to 85°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	DHC	6242HV
LTC6242HGN	4	-40°C to 125°C	3V, 5V	GN	6242H
LTC6242HVHGN	4	-40°C to 125°C	3V, 5V, ±5V	GN	242HVH

**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** (LTC6240C/I, LTC6240HVC/I, LTC6241C/I, LTC6241HVC/I, LTC6242C/I, LTC6242HVC/I) The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply over the specified temperature range, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C.  $V_S = 5$ V, 0V,  $V_{CM} = 2.5$ V unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>0S</sub>	Input Offset Voltage (Note 4)	LTC6241 S8 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C		40	125 250 300	μV μV μV
		LTC6242 GN 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C		50	150 275 300	μV μV μV
		LTC6240 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C		50	175 300 350	μV μV μV
vw.DataSheet4U.com		LTC6241 DD, LTC6242 DHC 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C		100	550 650 725	μV μV μV
	V <sub>OS</sub> Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)	LTC6241 S8 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C		40	160 300 375	μV μV μV
		LTC6242 GN 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C		50	185 325 400	μV μV μV
		LTC6241 DD, LTC6242 DHC 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C		150	650 700 750	μV μV μV
TC V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage Drift (Note 6)			0.7	2.5	μV/°C
I <sub>B</sub>	Input Bias Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242		0.2	75	pA pA
		LTC6240		0.2	1 75	pA pA
I <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242		0.2	75	pA pA
		LTC6240		0.2	1 75	pA pA
	Input Noise Voltage	0.1Hz to 10Hz		550		nV <sub>P-P</sub>

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**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** (LTC6240C/I, LTC6240HVC/I, LTC6241C/I, LTC6241HVC/I, LTC6242C/I, LTC6242HVC/I) The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply over the specified temperature range, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ .  $V_S = 5\text{V}$ ,  $V_{CM} = 2.5\text{V}$  unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
e <sub>n</sub>	Input Noise Voltage Density	f = 1kHz			7	10	nV/√Hz
i <sub>n</sub>	Input Noise Current Density (Note 8)				0.56		fA/√Hz
R <sub>IN</sub>	Input Resistance	Common Mode			10 <sup>12</sup>		Ω
C <sub>IN</sub>	Input Capacitance Differential Mode Common Mode	f = 100kHz			3.5 3		pF pF
V <sub>CM</sub>	Input Voltage Range	Guaranteed by CMRR	•	0		3.5	V
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection	$0V \le V_{CM} \le 3.5V$	•	80	105		dB
	CMRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	76	95		dB
A <sub>VOL</sub>	Large Signal Voltage Gain	V <sub>0</sub> = 1V to 4V R <sub>L</sub> = 10k to V <sub>S</sub> /2 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•	425 300 200	1600		V/mV V/mV V/mV
		$V_0$ = 1.5V to 3.5V $R_L$ = 1k to $V_S/2$ 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•	90 60 50	215		V/mV V/mV V/mV
V <sub>OL</sub>	Output Voltage Swing Low (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SINK</sub> = 1mA I <sub>SINK</sub> = 5mA	•		7 40 190	30 75 325	mV mV mV
V <sub>OH</sub>	Output Voltage Swing High (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 1mA I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 5mA	•		11 45 190	30 75 325	mV mV mV
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection	V <sub>S</sub> = 2.8V to 6V, V <sub>CM</sub> = 0.2V	•	80	104		dB
	PSRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	74	100		dB
.DataSheet4U.con	Minimum Supply Voltage (Note 10)		•	2.8			V
I <sub>SC</sub>	Short-Circuit Current		•	15	30		mA
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply Current per Amplifier	LTC6241, LTC6242 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		1.8	2.2 2.3 2.4	mA mA mA
		LTC6240 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		2	2.4 2.5 2.6	mA mA mA
GBW	Gain Bandwidth Product	Frequency = $20kHz$ , $R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	13	18		MHz
SR	Slew Rate (Note 11)	$A_V = -2$ , $R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	5	10		V/µs
FPBW	Full Power Bandwidth (Note 12)	$V_{OUT} = 3V_{P-P}, R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	0.53	1.06		MHz
$\overline{t_{s}}$	Settling Time	$V_{STFP} = 2V, A_V = -1, R_I = 1k\Omega, 0.1\%$			1100		ns



**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** (LTC6240C/I, LTC6240HVC/I, LTC6241C/I, LTC6241HVC/I, LTC6242C/I, LTC6242HVC/I) The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply over the specified temperature range, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ .  $V_S = 3V$ , 0V,  $V_{CM} = 1.5V$  unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage (Note 4)	LTC6241 S8 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		40	175 275 325	μV μV μV
		LTC6242 GN 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		60	200 275 325	μV μV μV
		LTC6240 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		50	200 325 375	μV μV μV
		LTC6241 DD, LTC6242 DHC 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		100	550 650 725	μV μV μV
	V <sub>OS</sub> Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)	LTC6241 S8 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		40	200 325 400	μV μV μV
		LTC6242 GN 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		60	225 325 400	μV μV μV
		LTC6241 DD, LTC6242 DHC 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		150	650 700 750	μV μV μV
TC V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage Drift (Note 6)		•		0.7	2.5	μV/°C
I <sub>B</sub>	Input Bias Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.2	75	pA pA
		LTC6240	•		0.2	1 75	pA pA
I <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.2	75	pA pA
		LTC6240	•		0.2	1 75	pA pA
V <sub>CM</sub>	Input Voltage Range	Guaranteed by CMRR	•	0		1.5	V
CMRBSheet4U.com	Common Mode Rejection	$0V \le V_{CM} \le 1.5V$	•	78	100		dB
	CMRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	76	95		dB
A <sub>VOL</sub>	Large Signal Voltage Gain	$ \begin{array}{l} V_0 = 1 V \ to \ 2 V \\ R_L = 10 k \ to \ V_S/2 \\ 0^\circ C \ to \ 70^\circ C \\ -40^\circ C \ to \ 85^\circ C \end{array} $	•	140 100 75	600		V/mV V/mV V/mV
V <sub>OL</sub>	Output Voltage Swing Low (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SINK</sub> = 1mA	•		3 65	30 110	mV mV
V <sub>OH</sub>	Output Voltage Swing High (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 1mA	•		4 70	30 120	mV mV
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection	$V_S = 2.8V \text{ to 6V}, V_{CM} = 0.2V$	•	80	104		dB
	PSRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	74	100		dB
	Minimum Supply Voltage (Note 10)		•	2.8			V
I <sub>SC</sub>	Short-Circuit Current		•	3	6		mA
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply Current per Amplifier	LTC6241, LTC6242 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		1.4	1.7 1.8 1.9	mA mA mA
		LTC6240 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		1.5	1.9 2 2.1	mA mA mA
GBW	Gain Bandwidth Product	Frequency = $20kHz$ , $R_1 = 1k\Omega$		12	17		MHz



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SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage (Note 4)	LTC6241 S8 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		50	175 275 325	μV μV μV
		LTC6242 GN 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		60	200 275 325	μV μV μV
		LTC6240 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		60	250 350 400	μV μV μV
		LTC6241 DD, LTC6242 DHC 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		100	550 650 725	μV μV μV
	V <sub>OS</sub> Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)	LTC6241 S8 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		50	200 325 400	μV μV μV
		LTC6242 GN 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		60	225 325 400	μV μV μV
		LTC6241 DD, LTC6242 DHC 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		150	650 700 750	μV μV μV
TC V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage Drift (Note 6)		•		0.7	2.5	μV/°C
I <sub>B</sub>	Input Bias Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.5	75	pA pA
		LTC6240	•		0.5	1 75	pA pA
I <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.2	75	pA pA
		LTC6240	•		0.2	1 75	pA pA
D-4-0b4411	Input Noise Voltage	0.1Hz to 10Hz			550		nV <sub>P-P</sub>
<del>r.DataSheet4U.com</del> e <sub>n</sub>	Input Noise Voltage Density	f = 1kHz			7	10	nV/√Hz
i <sub>n</sub>	Input Noise Current Density (Note 8)				0.56		fA/√Hz
R <sub>IN</sub>	Input Resistance	Common Mode			10 <sup>12</sup>		Ω
C <sub>IN</sub>	Input Capacitance Differential Mode Common Mode	f = 100kHz			3.5 3		pF pF V
V <sub>CM</sub>	Input Voltage Range	Guaranteed by CMRR	•	<b>-</b> 5		3.5	V
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection	$-5V \le V_{CM} \le 3.5V$	•	83	105		dB
	CMRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	76	95		dB
A <sub>VOL</sub>	Large Signal Voltage Gain	V <sub>0</sub> = -3.5V to 3.5V R <sub>L</sub> = 10k 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•	775 600 500	2700		V/mV V/mV V/mV
		R <sub>L</sub> = 1k 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•	150 90 75	360		V/mV V/mV V/mV
V <sub>OL</sub>	Output Voltage Swing Low (Note 9)	No Load   <sub>SINK</sub> = 1mA   <sub>SINK</sub> = 10mA	•		15 45 360	30 75 550	mV mV mV



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SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>OH</sub>	Output Voltage Swing High (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 1 mA I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 10mA	•		15 45 360	30 75 550	mV mV mV
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection	$V_S = 2.8V$ to 11V, $V_{CM} = 0.2V$	•	85	110		dB
	PSRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	82	106		dB
	Minimum Supply Voltage (Note 10)		•	2.8			V
I <sub>SC</sub>	Short-Circuit Current		•	15	35		mA
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply Current per Amplifier	LTC6241, LTC6242 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		2.5	3.2 3.3 3.7	mA mA mA
		LTC6240 0°C to 70°C -40°C to 85°C	•		2.7	3.3 3.4 3.8	mA mA mA
GBW	Gain Bandwidth Product	Frequency = $20kHz$ , $R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	13	18		MHz
SR	Slew Rate (Note 11)	$A_V = -2$ , $R_L = 1$ k $\Omega$	•	5.5	10		V/µs
FPBW	Full Power Bandwidth (Note 12)	$V_{OUT} = 3V_{P-P}, R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	0.58	1.06		MHz
$t_s$	Settling Time	$V_{STEP} = 2V, A_V = -1, R_L = 1k\Omega, 0.1\%$			900		ns

(LTC6240H/LTC6240HVH, LTC6241HVH, LTC6242H/LTC6242HVH) The ullet denotes the specifications which apply from -40°C to 125°C, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A$  = 25°C.  $V_S$  = 5V, 0V,  $V_{CM}$  = 2.5V unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage (Note 4)	LTC6241 S8	•		40	125 400	μV μV
		LTC6242 GN	•		50	150 400	μV μV
		LTC6240	•		50	175 450	μV μV
ww.DataSheet4U.com	V <sub>OS</sub> Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)	LTC6241 S8	•		40	160 400	μV μV
		LTC6242 GN	•		50	185 400	μV μV
TC V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage Drift (Note 6)		•		0.7	2.5	μV/°C
I <sub>B</sub>	Input Bias Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.2	1.5	pA nA
		LTC6240	•		0.2	1 2.5	pA nA
I <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.2	150	pA pA
		LTC6240	•		0.2	1 750	pA pA
$V_{CM}$	Input Voltage Range	Guaranteed by CMRR	•	0		3.5	V
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection	$0V \le V_{CM} \le 3.5V$	•	78			dB
	CMRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	74			dB
A <sub>VOL</sub>	Large Signal Voltage Gain	$V_0 = 1V \text{ to } 4V$ $R_L = 10k \text{ to } V_S/2$	•	425 200	1600		V/mV V/mV
		V <sub>0</sub> = 1.5V to 3.5V R <sub>L</sub> = 1k to V <sub>S</sub> /2	•	90 40	215		V/mV V/mV
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**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** (LTC6240H/LTC6240HVH, LTC6241H/LTC6241HVH, LTC6242H/LTC6242HVH) The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply from  $-40^{\circ}$ C to 125°C, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C.  $V_S = 5$ V, 0V,  $V_{CM} = 2.5$ V unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>0L</sub>	Output Voltage Swing Low (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SINK</sub> = 1mA I <sub>SINK</sub> = 5mA	•			30 85 325	mV mV mV
V <sub>OH</sub>	Output Voltage Swing High (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 1mA I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 5mA	•			30 85 325	mV mV mV
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection	$V_S = 2.8V \text{ to 6V}, V_{CM} = 0.2V$	•	78			dB
	PSRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	74			dB
	Minimum Supply Voltage (Note 10)		•	2.8			V
I <sub>SC</sub>	Short-Circuit Current		•	15			mA
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply Current per Amplifier	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		1.8	2.2 2.4	mA mA
		LTC6240	•		2	2.4 2.8	mA mA
GBW	Gain Bandwidth Product	Frequency = $20kHz$ , $R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	12			MHz
SR	Slew Rate (Note 11)	$A_V = -2$ , $R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	4.5			V/µs
FPBW	Full Power Bandwidth (Note 12)	$V_{OUT} = 3V_{P-P}, R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	0.48			MHz

(LTC6240H/LTC6240HVH, LTC6241HVH, LTC6242H/LTC6242HVH) The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply from -40°C to 125°C, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A$  = 25°C.  $V_S$  = 3V, 0V,  $V_{CM}$  = 1.5V unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage (Note 4)	LTC6241 S8	•		40	175 400	μV μV
		LTC6242 GN	•		60	200 400	μV μV
		LTC6240	•		50	200 450	μV μV
w.DataSheet4U.com	V <sub>OS</sub> Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)	LTC6241 S8	•		40	200 400	μV μV
		LTC6242 GN	•		60	225 400	μV μV
TC V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage Drift (Note 6)		•		0.7	2.5	μV/°C
I <sub>B</sub>	Input Bias Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.2	1.5	pA nA
		LTC6240	•		0.2	1 2.5	pA nA
I <sub>0S</sub>	Input Offset Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.2	150	pA pA
		LTC6240	•		0.2	1 750	pA pA
$V_{CM}$	Input Voltage Range	Guaranteed by CMRR	•	0		1.5	V
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection	$0V \le V_{CM} \le 1.5V$	•	75			dB
	CMRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	74			dB
A <sub>VOL</sub>	Large Signal Voltage Gain	$V_0 = 1V \text{ to } 2V$ $R_L = 10k \text{ to } V_S/2$	•	140 65	600		V/mV V/mV



**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** (LTC6240H/LTC6240HVH, LTC6241H/LTC6241HVH, LTC6242H/LTC6242HVH) The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply from  $-40^{\circ}$ C to 125°C, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C.  $V_S = 3V$ ,  $V_{CM} = 1.5V$  unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>0L</sub>	Output Voltage Swing Low (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SINK</sub> = 1mA	•			30 130	mV mV
V <sub>OH</sub>	Output Voltage Swing High (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 1mA	•			30 130	mV mV
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection	$V_S = 2.8V \text{ to 6V}, V_{CM} = 0.2V$	•	78			dB
	PSRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	74			dB
	Minimum Supply Voltage (Note 10)		•	2.8			V
I <sub>SC</sub>	Short-Circuit Current		•	2.5			mA
Is	Supply Current per Amplifier	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		1.4	1.7 1.9	mA mA
		LTC6240	•		1.5	1.9 2.1	mA mA
GBW	Gain Bandwidth Product	Frequency = $20kHz$ , $R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	10			MHz

(LTC6240HVH/LTC6241HVH/LTC6242HVH) The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply from  $-40^{\circ}$ C to 125°C, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C.  $V_S = \pm 5V$ ,  $V_{CM} = 0V$  unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>0S</sub>	Input Offset Voltage (Note 4)	LTC6241 S8	•		50	175 400	μ\ μ\
		LTC6242 GN	•		60	200 400	μ\ μ\
		LTC6240	•		60	250 450	μ\ μ\
	V <sub>OS</sub> Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)	LTC6241 S8	•		50	200 400	μ\ μ\
v.DataSheet4U.com		LTC6242 GN	•		60	225 400	μ\ μ\
TC V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage Drift (Note 6)		•		0.7	2.5	μV/°C
I <sub>B</sub>	Input Bias Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.5	1.5	pA nA
		LTC6240	•		0.5	1 2.5	pA nA
I <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Current (Notes 4, 7)	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		0.2	150	pA pA
		LTC6240	•		0.2	1 750	pA pA
V <sub>CM</sub>	Input Voltage Range	Guaranteed by CMRR	•	-5		3.5	٧
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection	$-5V \le V_{CM} \le 3.5V$	•	80			dB
	CMRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	76			dB
A <sub>VOL</sub>	Large Signal Voltage Gain	$V_0 = -3.5V$ to 3.5V $R_L = 10k$	•	775 350	2700		V/mV V/mV
		R <sub>L</sub> = 1k	•	150 60	360		V/mV V/mV



**ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** (LTC6240HVH/LTC6241HVH/LTC6242HVH) The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply from  $-40^{\circ}$ C to 125°C, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C.  $V_S = \pm 5V$ ,  $V_{CM} = 0V$  unless otherwise noted.

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>OL</sub>	Output Voltage Swing Low (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SINK</sub> = 1mA I <sub>SINK</sub> = 10mA				30 85 600	mV mV mV
V <sub>OH</sub>	Output Voltage Swing High (Note 9)	No Load I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 1mA I <sub>SOURCE</sub> = 10mA	•			30 85 600	mV mV mV
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection	V <sub>S</sub> = 2.8V to 11V, V <sub>CM</sub> = 0.2V	•	83			dB
	PSRR Match Channel-to-Channel (Note 5)		•	82			dB
	Minimum Supply Voltage (Note 10)		•	2.8			V
I <sub>SC</sub>	Short-Circuit Current		•	15			mA
Is	Supply Current per Amplifier	LTC6241, LTC6242	•		2.5	3.2 3.7	mA mA
		LTC6240	•		2.7	3.3 3.8	mA mA
GBW	Gain Bandwidth Product	Frequency = $20kHz$ , $R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	12			MHz
SR	Slew Rate (Note 11)	$A_V = -2$ , $R_L = 1$ k $\Omega$	•	5			V/µs
FPBW	Full Power Bandwidth (Note 12)	$V_{OUT} = 3V_{P-P}, R_L = 1k\Omega$	•	0.53			MHz

**Note 1:** Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. Exposure to any Absolute Maximum Rating condition for extended periods may affect device reliability and lifetime.

**Note 2:** A heat sink may be required to keep the junction temperature below the absolute maximum rating when the output is shorted indefinitely.

Note 3: The LTC6240C/LTC6240HVC/LTC6241C/LTC6241HVC, LTC6242C/LTC6242HVC are guaranteed to meet specified performance from 0°C to 70°C. They are designed, characterized and expected to meet specified performance from -40°C to 85°C, but are not tested or QA sampled at these temperatures. The LTC6240I/LTC6240HVI, LTC6241I/LTC6241HVI, LTC6242I/LTC6242HVI are guaranteed to meet specified performance from -40°C to 85°C. All versions of the LTC6240H/LTC6241H/LTC6242H are guaranteed to meet specified performance from -40°C to 125°C.

**Note 4:** ESD (Electrostatic Discharge) sensitive device. ESD protection devices are used extensively internal to the LTC6240/LTC6241/LTC6242; however, high electrostatic discharge can damage or degrade the device. Use proper ESD handling precautions.

**Note 5:** Matching parameters are the difference between the two amplifiers A and D and between B and C of the LTC6242; between the two amplifiers of the LTC6241. CMRR and PSRR match are defined as follows: CMRR

and PSRR are measured in  $\mu V/V$  on the matched amplifiers. The difference is calculated between the matching sides in  $\mu V/V$ . The result is converted to dB.

**Note 6:** This parameter is not 100% tested.

**Note 7:** Bias current at  $T_A$  = 25°C is 100% tested and guaranteed for the LTC6240 in the S8 package. The LTC6240S5, LTC6241 and LTC6242 are expected to achieve the same performance as the LTC6240S8. All parts are guaranteed to meet specifications over temperature.

**Note 8:** Current noise is calculated from the formula:  $i_n = (2ql_B)^{1/2}$  where  $q = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  coulomb. The noise of source resistors up to  $50G\Omega$  dominates the contribution of current noise. See also Typical Characteristics curve Noise Current vs Frequency.

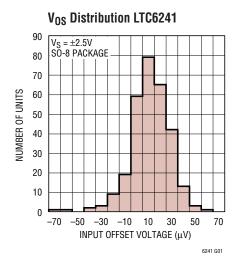
**Note 9:** Output voltage swings are measured between the output and power supply rails.

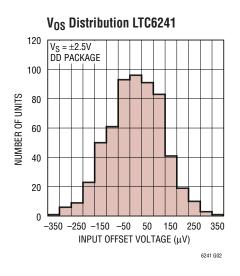
**Note 10:** Minimum supply voltage is guaranteed by the power supply rejection ratio test.

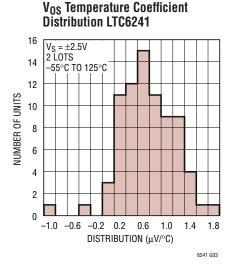
Note 11: Slew rate is measured in a gain of -2 with  $R_F=1k$  and  $R_G=500\Omega.$  On the LTC6240/LTC6241/LTC6242,  $V_S=\pm 2.5 V,\, V_{IN}$  is  $\pm 1 V$  and  $V_{OUT}$  slew rate is measured between -1 V and  $\pm 1 V.$  On the LTC6240HV/LTC6241HV/LTC6242HV,  $V_{IN}$  is  $\pm 2 V$  and  $V_{OUT}$  slew rate is measured between -2 V and  $\pm 2 V.$ 

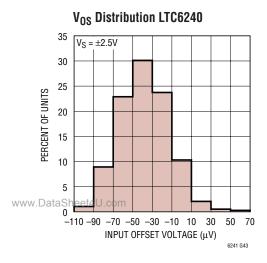
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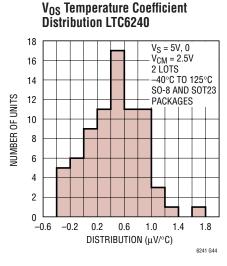


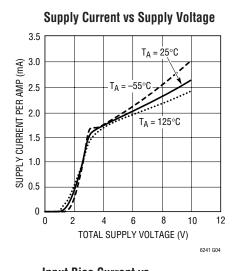


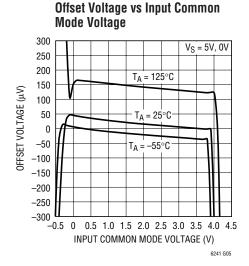


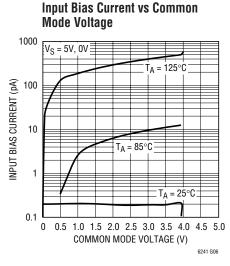


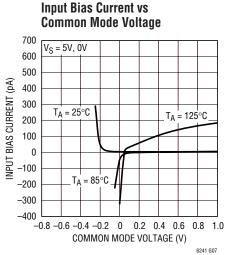






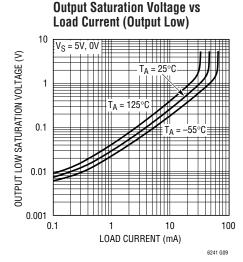


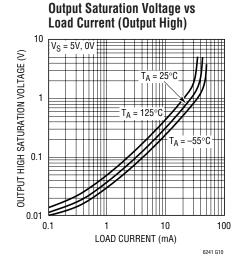




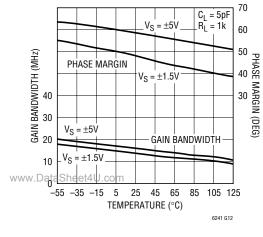


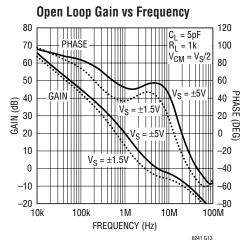
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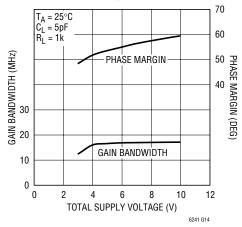




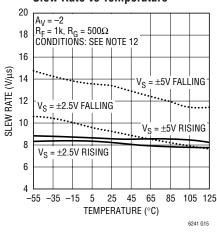


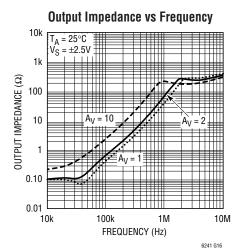




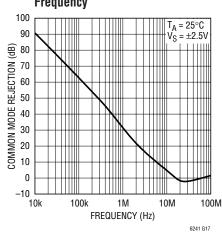


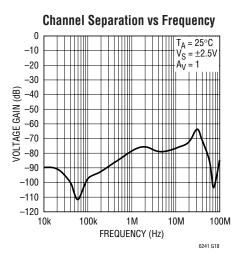
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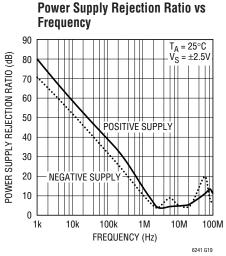


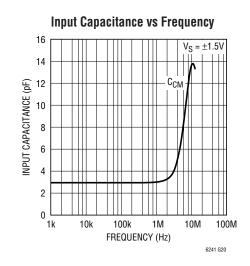


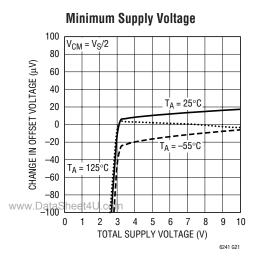
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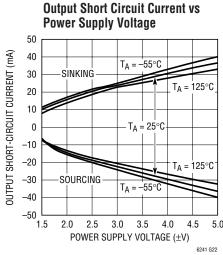


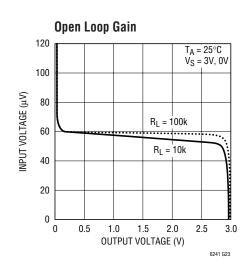


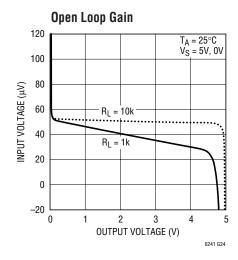


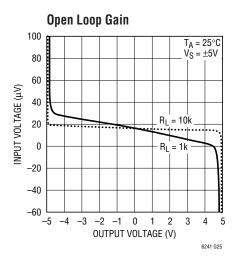


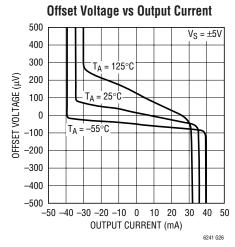




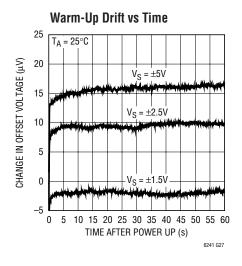


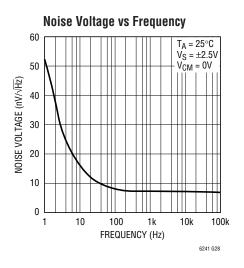


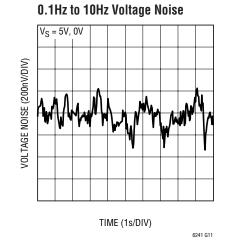


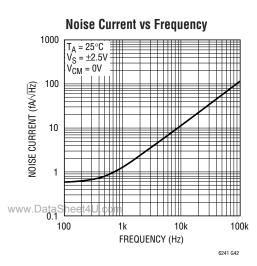


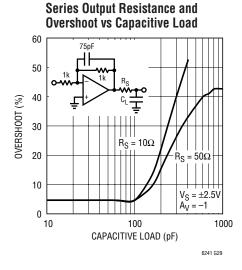


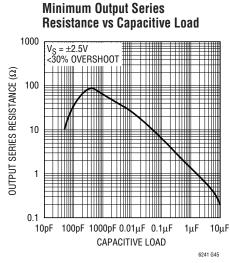


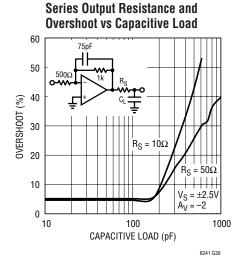


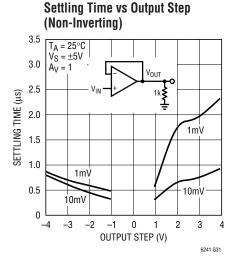


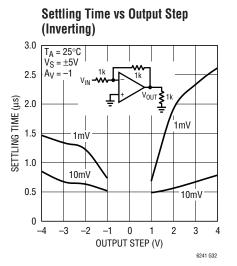












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## Signal vs Frequency 10 9 OUTPUT VOLTAGE SWINGING (VP-P) 8 $A_V = -1$ 7 $A_V = +2$ 6 5

T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C

 $V_S = \pm 5V$  $\mathsf{HD}_2$ ,  $\mathsf{HD}_3$ 

< -40dBc

100k

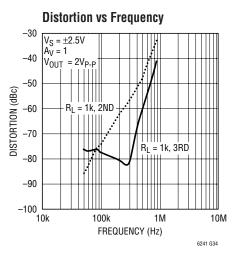
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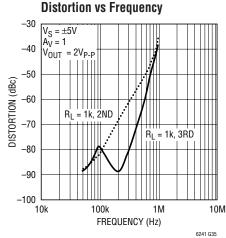
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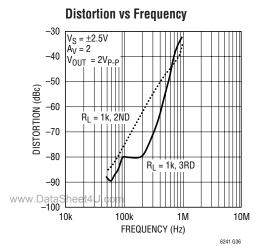
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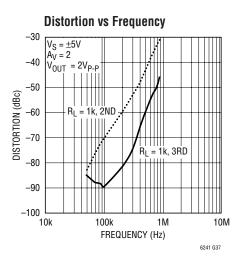
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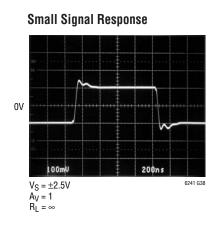
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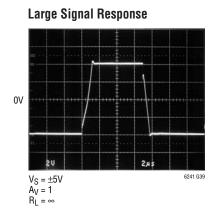


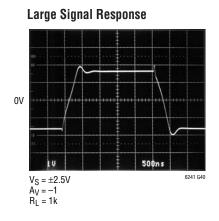


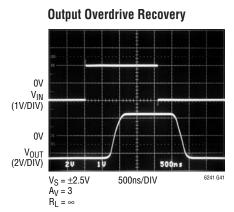














## APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

### **Amplifier Characteristics**

Figure 1 is a simplified schematic of the amplifier, which has a pair of low noise input transistors M1 and M2. A simple folded cascode Q1, Q2 and R1, R2 allow the input stage to swing to the negative rail, while performing level shift to the Differential Drive Generator. Low offset voltage is accomplished by laser trimming the input stage.

Capacitor C1 reduces the unity cross frequency and improves the frequency stability without degrading the gain bandwidth of the amplifier. Capacitor Cm sets the overall amplifier gain bandwidth. The differential drive generator supplies signals to transistors M3 and M4 that swing the output from rail-to-rail.

The photo of Figure 2 shows the output response to an input overdrive with the amplifier connected as a voltage follower. If the negative going input signal is less than a diode drop below  $V^-$ , no phase inversion occurs. For input signals greater than a diode drop below  $V^-$ , limit the current to 3mA with a series resistor  $R_{\rm S}$  to avoid phase inversion.

### **ESD**

The LTC6240/LTC6241/LTC6242 have reverse-biased ESD protection diodes on all input and outputs as shown in Figure 1. If these pins are forced beyond either supply, unlimited current will flow through these diodes. If the current is transient and limited to one hundred milliamps or less, no damage to the device will occur.

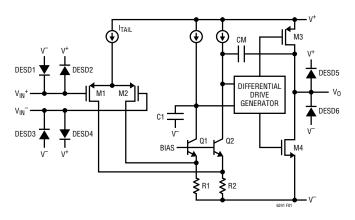


Figure 1. Simplified Schematic

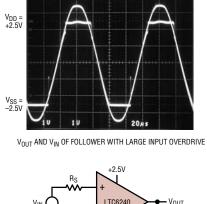
The amplifier input bias current is the leakage current of these ESD diodes. This leakage is a function of the temperature and common mode voltage of the amplifier, as shown in the Typical Performance Curves.

### Noise

The LTC6240/LTC6241/LTC6242 exhibit exceptionally low 1/f noise in the 0.1Hz to 10Hz region. This  $550nV_{P-P}$  noise allows these op amps to be used in a wide variety of high impedance low frequency applications, where Zero-Drift amplifiers might be inappropriate due to their charge injection.

In the frequency region above 1kHz the LTC6240/LTC6241/LTC6242 also show good noise voltage performance. In this frequency region, noise can easily be dominated by the total source resistance of the particular application. Specifically, these amplifiers exhibit the noise of a  $3.1 k\Omega$  resistor, meaning it is desirable to keep the source and feedback resistance at or below this value, i.e.  $R_S + R_G ||R_{FB} \leq 3.1 k\Omega$ . Above this total source impedance, the noise voltage is not dominated by the amplifier.

Noise current can be estimated from the expression  $i_n = \sqrt{2qI_B}$ , where  $q = 1.6 \cdot 10^{-19}$  coulombs. Equating  $\sqrt{4kTR}\Delta f$  and  $R\sqrt{2qI_B}\Delta f$  shows that for source resistors below  $50G\Omega$  the amplifier noise is dominated by the source resistance. See the Typical Characteristics curve Noise Current vs Frequency.



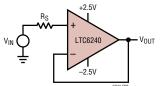


Figure 2. Unity Gain Follower Test Circuit



Proprietary design techniques are used to obtain simultaneous low 1/f noise and low input capacitance. Low input capacitance is important when the amplifier is used with high value source and feedback resistors. High frequency noise from the amplifier tail current source,  $I_{TAIL}$  in Figure 1, couples through the input capacitance and appears across these large source and feedback resistors. As an example, the photodiode amplifier of Figure 15 on the last page of this data sheet shows the noise results from the LTC6241 and the results of a competitive CMOS amplifier. The LTC6241 output is the ideal noise of a 1M $\Omega$  resistor at room temperature,  $130 \text{nV} \sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ .

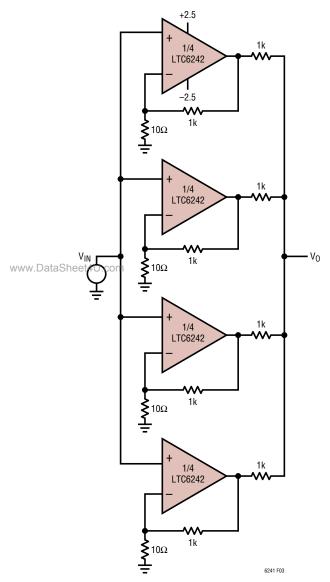


Figure 3. Parallel Amplifier Lowers Noise by 2x

### Half the Noise

The circuit shown in Figure 3 can be used to achieve even lower noise voltage. By paralleling 4 amplifiers the noise voltage can be lowered by  $\sqrt{4}$ , or half as much noise. The  $\sqrt{\phantom{1}}$  comes about from an RMS summing of uncorrelated noise sources. This circuit maintains extremely high input resistance, and has a  $250\Omega$  output resistance. For lower output resistance, a buffer amplifier can be added without influencing the noise.

### Stability

The good noise performance of these op amps can be attributed to large input devices in the differential pair. Above several hundred kilohertz, the input capacitance rises and can cause amplifier stability problems if left unchecked. When the feedback around the op amp is resistive (R<sub>F</sub>), a pole will be created with R<sub>F</sub>, the source resistance, source capacitance (R<sub>S</sub>, C<sub>S</sub>), and the amplifier input capacitance. In low gain configurations and with R<sub>F</sub> and R<sub>S</sub> in even the kilohm range (Figure 4), this pole can create excess phase shift and possibly oscillation. A small capacitor C<sub>F</sub> in parallel with R<sub>F</sub> eliminates this problem.

# Low Noise Single-Ended Input to Differential Output Amplifier

The circuit on the first page of the data sheet is a low noise single-ended input to differential output amplifier, with a 200k input impedance. The very low input bias current of the LTC6241 allows for these large input and feedback resistors. The 200k resistors, R1 and R2, along with C1 and C2 set the –3dB bandwidth to 80kHz. Capacitor C3 is used to cancel effects of input capacitance, while C4 adds

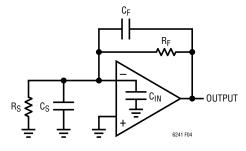


Figure 4. Compensating Input Capacitance



phase lead to compensate the phase lag of the second amplifier. The op amp's good input offset voltage match and low input bias current means that the typical differential output offset voltage is less than  $40\mu V$ . A noise spectrum plot of the differential output is shown in Figure 5.

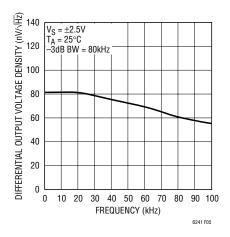


Figure 5. Differential Output Noise

### **Achieving Low Input Bias Current**

The DD package is leadless and makes contact to the PCB beneath the package. Solder flux used during the attachment of the part to the PCB can create leakage current paths and can degrade the input bias current performance of the part. All inputs are susceptible because the backside paddle is connected to V<sup>-</sup> internally. As the input voltage changes or if V<sup>-</sup> changes, a leakage path can be formed and alter the observed input bias current. For lowest bias current, use the LTC6240/LTC6241 in the SO-8 and provide a guard ring around the inputs that are tied to a potential near the input voltage.

## **Layout Considerations and a PCB Guard Ring**

In high source impedance applications such as pH probes, photodiodes, strain gauges, et cetera, the low input bias current of these parts requires a clean board layout to minimize additional leakage current into a high impedance signal node. A mere  $100G\Omega$  of PC board resistance between a 5V supply trace and an input trace adds 50pA of leakage current, far greater then the input bias current of the operational amplifier. A guard ring around the high-impedance input traces driven by a low-impedance

source equal to the input voltage prevents such leakage problems. The guard ring should extend as far as necessary to shield the high impedance signal from any and all leakage paths. Figure 6 shows the use of a guard ring on the LTC6241 in a unity gain configuration. In this case the guard ring is connected to the output and is shielding the high impedance non-inverting input from V<sup>-</sup>. Figure 7 shows the inverting gain configuration.

### A Digitally Programmable AC Difference Amplifier

The LTC6241 configured as a difference amplifier, can be combined with a programmable gain amplifier (PGA) to obtain a low noise high speed programmable difference amplifier. Figure 8 shows the LTC6241 based as a single-supply AC amplifier. One LTC6241 op amp is used at the circuit's input as a standard four resistor difference

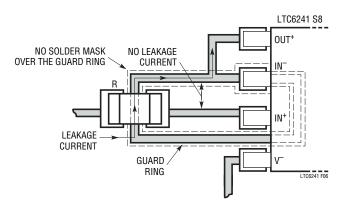


Figure 6. Sample Layout. Unity Gain Configuration, Using Guard Ring to Shield High Impedance Input from Board Leakage

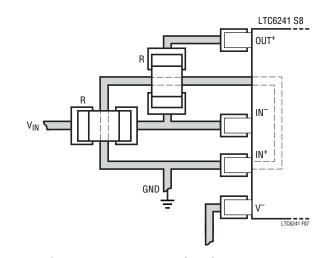
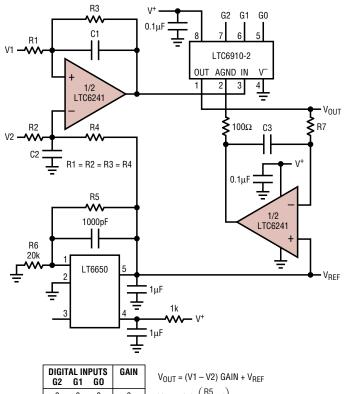


Figure 7. Sample Layout. Inverting Gain Configuration, Using Guard Ring to Shield High Impedance Input from Board Leakage





DIGITAL INPUTS GAIN G2 G1 G0		GAIN	$V_{OUT} = (V1 - V2) \text{ GAIN} + V_{REF}$			
0	0	0	0 –1	$V_{REF} = 0.4 \cdot \left( \frac{R5}{R6} + 1 \right)$		
0	1	0	-1 -2 -4	$R5 = 10k \cdot (5 \cdot V_{REF} - 2)$ $R6 = 20k$		
1	0	0	-8 10	-3d BANDWIDTH = (f <sub>HIGH</sub> - f <sub>LOW</sub> )		
1	0	0	-8 -16 -32 -64	$f_{HIGH} = \frac{1}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot R3 \cdot C1}$ $f_{LOW} = \frac{GAIN}{2 \cdot \pi \cdot R7 \cdot C3}$		
1	1	1	-64		624	

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amplifier. The low bias current and current noise of the LTC6241 allow the use of high valued input resistors, 100k or greater. Resistors R1, R2, R3 and R4 are equal and the gain of the difference amplifier is one. An LTC6910-2 PGA amplifies the difference amplifier output with inverting gains of -1, -2, -4, -8, -16, -32 and -64. The second LTC6241 op amp is used as an integrator to set the DC output voltage equal to the LT6650 reference voltage  $V_{REF}$ . The integrator drives the PGA analog ground to provide a feedback loop, in addition to blocking any DC voltage through the PGA. The reference voltage of the LT6650 can be set to a voltage from 400mV to V+ - 350mV with resistors R5 and R6. If R6 is 20k or less, the error due to the LT6650 op amp bias current is negligible. The low voltage offset and drift of the LTC6241 integrator will not

contribute any significant error to the LT6650 reference voltage. The LT6650  $V_{REF}$  voltage has a maximum error of ±2% with 1% resistors. The upper –3dB frequency of the amplifier is set by resistor R3 and capacitor C1 and is limited by the bandwidth of the PGA when operated at a gain of 64. Capacitor C2 is equal to C1 and is added to maintain good common mode rejection at high frequency. The lower –3dB frequency is set by the integrator resistor R7, capacitor C3, and the gain setting of the LTC6910-2 PGA. This lower –3dB zero frequency is multiplied by the PGA gain. The rail-to-rail output of the LTC6910-2 PGA allows for a maximum output peak-to-peak voltage equal to twice the  $V_{REF}$  voltage. At the maximum gain setting of 64, the maximum peak-to-peak difference between inputs V1 and V2 is equal to twice  $V_{REF}$  divided by 64.

**Example Design:** Design a programmable gain AC difference amplifier, with a bandwidth of at least 10Hz to 100kHz, an input impedance equal to or greater than  $100k\Omega$ , and an output DC reference equal to 1V.

- a. Select input resistors R1, R2, R3 and R4 equal to 100k.
- b. If the upper –3dB frequency is 100kHz then C1 =  $1/(2\pi$  R2 f3dB) = 1/(6.28  $100k\Omega$  100kHz) = 15pF (to the nearest 5% value) and C2 = C1 = 15pF.
- c. Select R7 equal to one 1M and set the lower -3dB frequency to 10Hz at the highest PGA gain of 64, then  $C3 = Gain/(2\pi \cdot R7 \cdot f3dB) = 64/(6.28 \cdot 100k\Omega \cdot 10Hz)$  = 1uF. Lower gains settings will give a lower f3dB.
- d. Calculate the value of R5 to set the LT6650 reference equal to 1V;

 $V_{REF}$  = 0.4(R5/R6 + 1), so R5 = R6(2.5 $V_{REF}$  - 1). For R6 = 20k $\Omega$ , R5 = 30k $\Omega$ 

With  $V_{REF} = 1V$  the maximum input difference voltage is equal to 2V/64 = 31.2mV.

# 40nVpp Noise, 0.05µV/°C Drift, Chopped FET Amplifier

Figure 9's circuit combines the ±5V rail-to-rail performance of the LTC6241HV with a pair of extremely low noise JFETs configured in a chopper based carrier modulation scheme

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to achieve an extraordinarily low noise and low DC drift. The performance of this circuit is suited for the demanding transducer signal conditioning situations such as high resolution scales and magnetic search coils.

The LTC1799's output is divided down to form a 2-phase 925Hz square wave clock. This frequency, harmonically unrelated to 60Hz, provides excellent immunity to harmonic beating or mixing effects which could cause instabilities. S1 and S2 receive complementary drive, causing A1 to see a chopped version of the input voltage. A1's square wave output is synchronously demodulated by S3 and S4. Because these switches are synchronously driven

with the input chopper, proper amplitude and polarity information is presented to A2, the DC output amplifier. This stage integrates the square wave into a DC voltage, providing the output. The output is divided down (R2 and R1) and fed back to the input chopper where it serves as a zero signal reference. Gain, in this case 1000, is set by the R1-R2 ratio. Because A1 is AC coupled, its DC offset and drift do not affect the overall circuit offset, resulting in the extremely low offset and drift noted. The JFETs have an input RC damper that minimizes offset voltage contribution due to parasitic switch behavior, resulting in the  $1\mu V$  offset specification.

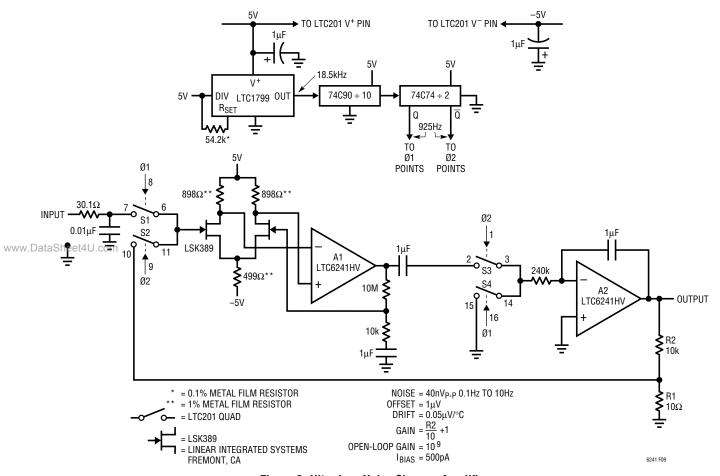


Figure 9. Ultra Low Noise Chopper Amplifier



The noise measured over a 50 second interval, in Figure 10, is 40nV in a 0.1Hz to 10Hz bandwidth. This low noise is attributed to the input JFET's die size and current density.

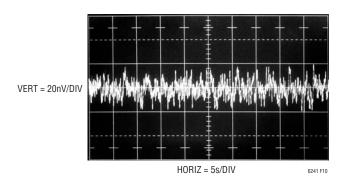


Figure 10. Noise in a 0.1Hz to 10Hz Bandwidth

### **Low Noise Shock Sensor Amplifiers**

Figures 11 and 12 show the amplifiers realizing two different approaches to amplifying signals from a capacitive sensor. The sensor in both cases is a 770pF piezoelectric shock sensor accelerometer, which generates charge under physical acceleration.

Figure 11 shows the classical "charge amplifier" approach. The LTC6240 is in the inverting configuration so the sensor looks into a virtual ground. All of the charge generated

by the sensor is forced across the feedback capacitor by the op amp action. Because the feedback capacitor is 100 times smaller than the sensor, it will be forced to 100 times what would have been the sensor's open circuit voltage. So the circuit gain is 100. The benefit of this approach is that the signal gain of the circuit is independent of any cable capacitance introduced between the sensor and the amplifier. Hence this circuit is favored for remote accelerometers where the cable length may vary. Difficulties with the circuit are inaccuracy of the gain setting with the small capacitor, and low frequency cutoff due to the bias resistor working into the small feedback capacitor.

Figure 12 shows a non-inverting amplifier approach. This approach has many advantages. First of all, the gain is set accurately with resistors rather than with a small capacitor. Second, the low frequency cutoff is dictated by the bias resistor working into the large 770pF sensor, rather than into a small feedback capacitor, for lower frequency response. Third, the non-inverting topology can be paralleled and summed (as shown) for scalable reductions in voltage noise. The only drawback to this circuit is that the parasitic capacitance at the input reduces the gain slightly. This circuit is favored in cases where parasitic input capacitances such as traces and cables will be relatively small and invariant.

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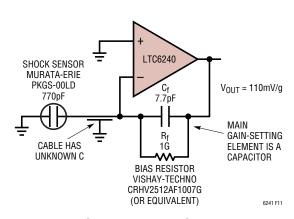


Figure 11. Classical Inverting Charge Amplifier

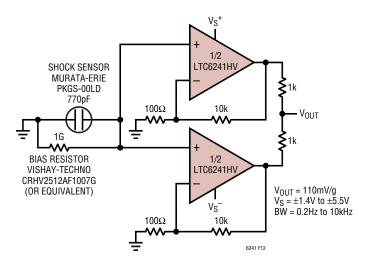


Figure 12. Low Noise Non-Inverting Shock Sensor Amplifier

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### 1M Transimpedance Amplifier with 43nV/√Hz Output Noise

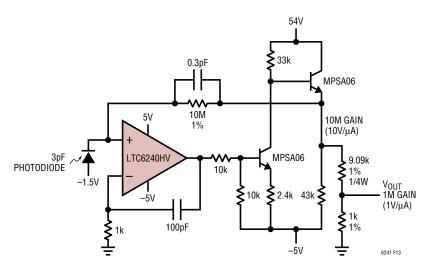
In a normal 1M transimpedance amplifier, like that shown on the back page of this data sheet, the output noise density must be at least  $130\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  at room temperature. This is true even should the op amp be perfectly noiseless, because the 1M resistor provides  $130\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$  of voltage noise at room temperature independently of the op amp.

The circuit of Figure 13 provides an overall transimpedance gain of  $1M\Omega$ , but it has an output noise density of only  $43\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ , about 1/3 of the normal transimpedance amplifier. It does this by taking a higher initial transimpedance gain of 10M and then attenuating by a factor of 10. The transistor section provides voltage gain and works on a 54V supply voltage to guarantee adequate output swing.

By achieving an output swing of 50V before attenuation, the circuit provides an output swing to 5V after attenuation. The 10M resistor sets the gain of the TIA stage and has a noise density of  $400\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ . After attenuation, the effective TIA gain drops to 1M while the noise floor drops to  $40\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ , which clearly dominates the observed  $43\text{nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ . Note the additional benefit that the offset voltage of the op amp is divided by 10. Worst case output offset for this circuit is  $150\mu\text{V}$  over temperature.

### **Reference Buffer**

Figure 14 shows the LTC6240 being utilized as a buffer in conjunction with the LT1019 reference. The passive R-C filter attenuates the reference noise and the LTC6240 provides a low noise buffer, resulting in an output noise of  $8nV/\sqrt{Hz}$ .



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Figure 13. 1M Transimpedance Amplifier with 43nV/√Hz Output Noise

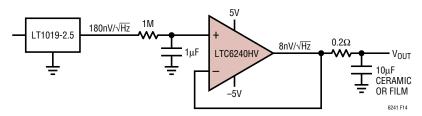
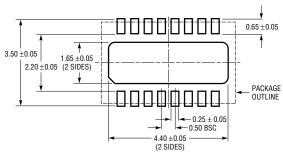


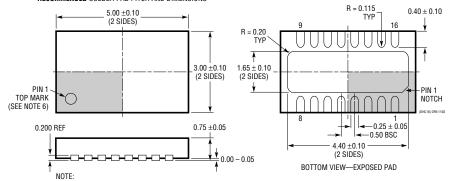
Figure 14. Low Noise Reference Buffer

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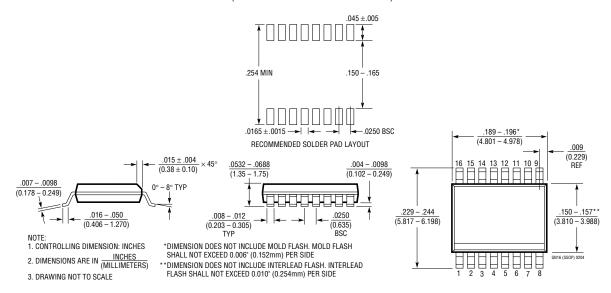


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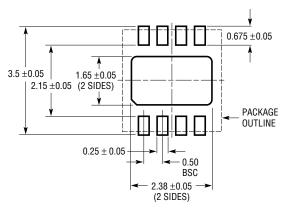
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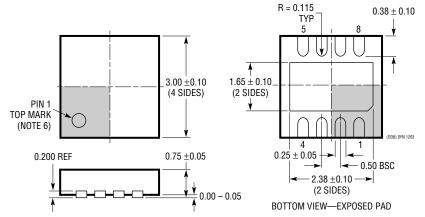


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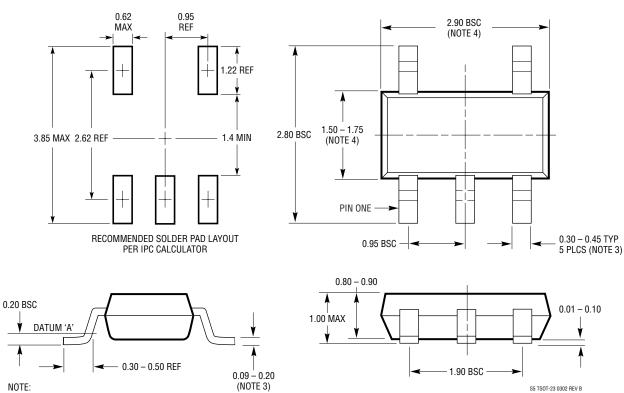
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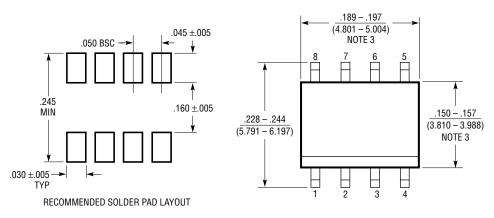


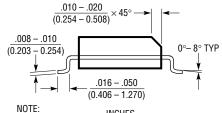
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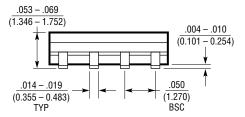
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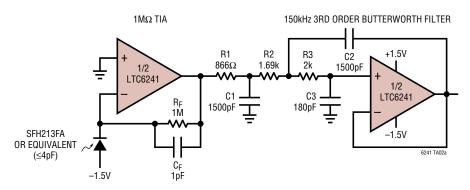
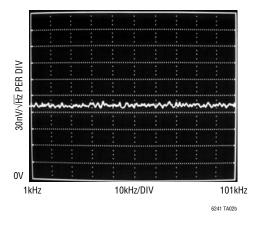
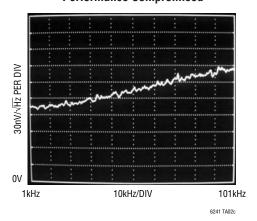


Figure 15. Ultralow Noise 1M $\Omega$  150kHz Photodiode Amplifier

### LTC6241 Output Noise Spectrum. $1M\Omega$ Resistor Noise Dominates; Ideal Performance



### Competition Output Noise Spectrum. Op Amp Noise Dominates; **Performance Compromised**



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PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS		
LTC1151 ±15V Zero-Drift Op Amp		Dual High Voltage Operation ±18V		
LT1792	Low Noise Precision JFET Op Amp	6nV/√Hz Noise, ±15V Operation		
LTC2050	Zero-Drift Op Amp	2.7 Volt Operation, SOT-23		
LTC2051/LTC2052	Dual/Quad Zero-Drift Op Amp	Dual/Quad Version of LTC2050 in MS8/GN16 Packages		
LTC2054/LTC2055	Single/Dual Zero-Drift Op Amp	Micropower Version of the LTC2050/LTC2051 in SOT-23 and DD Packages		
LTC6244	Dual 50MHz Rail-to-Rail Op Amp	100μV V <sub>OS(MAX)</sub> , 1pA I <sub>BIAS</sub> , 40V/μV, Slew Rate		