

# Preset equalizer sound control (P.S.C) IC

## BA3842F

The BA3842F is a preset graphic equalizer IC with dynamic bass boost which is designed for audio equipment.

### ●Applications

Mini-component stereos

Micro-component stereos

Radio cassette recorders with CD

### ●Features

- 1) Includes preset equalizer function with five equalizer positions and a flat mode setting.
- 2) Built-in dynamic bass boost with gain settings from 0 to 20dB in steps of 5dB.
- 3) Low distortion and low noise.
- 4) Built-in dynamic bass boost and interlocked ALC (Auto Level Control).

### ●Absolute maximum ratings (Ta = 25°C)

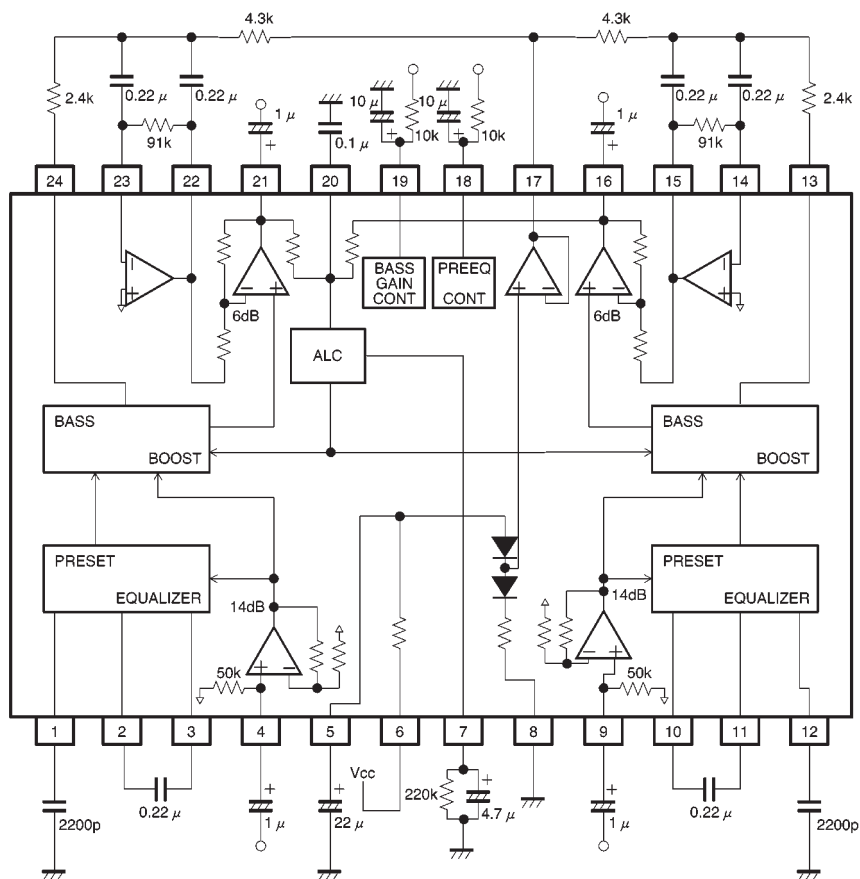
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Applied voltage	V <sub>CC</sub>	11.0	V
Power dissipation	P <sub>d</sub>	550*	mW
Operating temperature	T <sub>opr</sub>	−40~+85	°C
Storage temperature	T <sub>stg</sub>	−55~+125	°C

\* Reduced by 5.5mW for each increase in Ta of 1°C over 25°C.

### ●Recommended operating conditions

Parameter	Symbol	Limits	Unit
Power supply voltage	V <sub>CC</sub>	8.0~10.5	V

● Block diagram

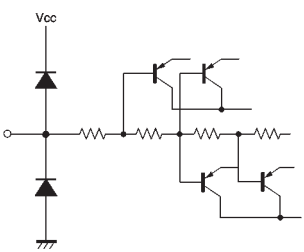
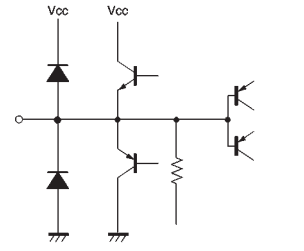
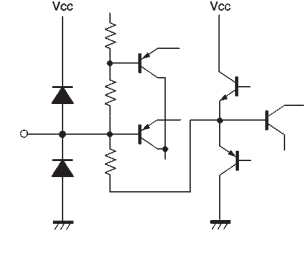
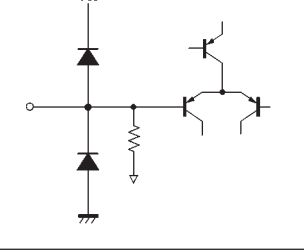
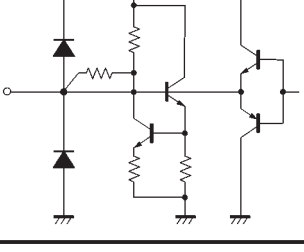


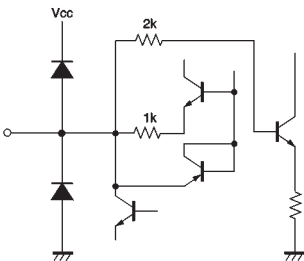
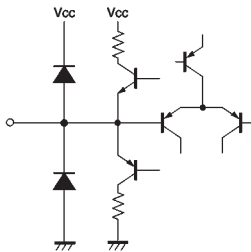
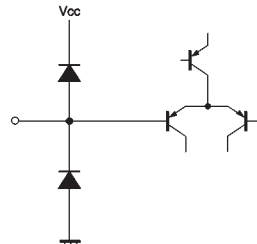
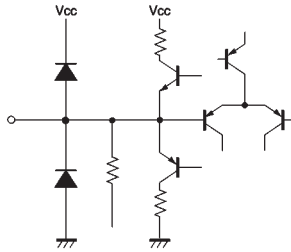
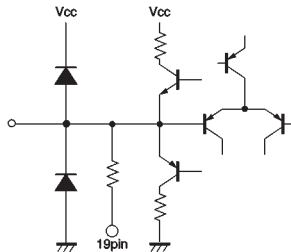
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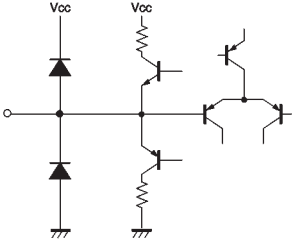
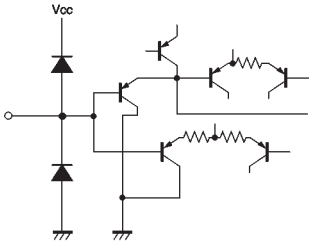
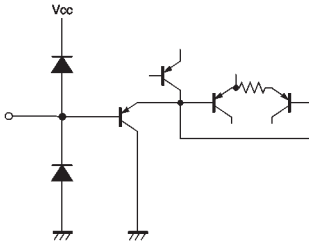
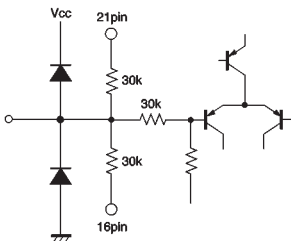
## ● Pin descriptions

Pin No.	Pin name	Function
1	HPFL	Left channel preset equalizer high band filter
2	LPFL2	Left channel preset equalizer low band filter
3	LPFL1	Left channel preset equalizer low band filter
4	LIN	Left channel input
5	FILTER	Filter
6	V <sub>cc</sub>	Power supply
7	ALCC	ALC time constant
8	GND	Ground
9	RIN	Right channel input
10	LRFR1	Right channel preset equalizer low band filter
11	LRFR2	Right channel preset equalizer low band filter
12	HPFR	Right channel preset equalizer high band filter
13	BAR1	Right channel dynamic bass boost filter
14	BAR2	Right channel dynamic bass boost filter
15	BAR3	Right channel dynamic bass boost filter
16	ROUT	Right channel output
17	BIAS	Bias
18	SWGE	Preset equalizer mode switch
19	SWTB	Bass boost mode switch
20	CAP	ALC band setting filter
21	LOUT	Left channel output
22	BAL3	Left channel dynamic bass boost filter
23	BAL2	Left channel dynamic bass boost filter
24	BAL1	Left channel dynamic bass boost filter

●Input / output circuits

Symbol	Pin No.	Equivalent circuit	Pin description
HPFL HPFR	1 pin 12pin		Pin for setting the high cutoff frequency of the preset graphic equalizer. $f_c$ is set by adding a capacitor between the pin and a bias or ground.
LPFL2 LPFR2	2 pin 11pin		Pin for setting the low cutoff frequency of the preset graphic equalizer. $f_c$ is set by adding a capacitor between this pin and LPFL1/LPFR1.
LPFL1 LPFR1	3 pin 10pin		Pin for setting the low cutoff frequency of the preset graphic equalizer. $f_c$ is set by adding a capacitor between this pin and LPFL2/LPFR2.
LIN RIN	4 pin 9 pin		Signal input pin. Design the circuit for an input impedance of 50 kΩ (Typ.).
FILTER	5 pin		Filter input pin. This will be approximately $1/2V_{CC} + 0.7\text{ V}$ . Connect a 10 μF capacitor to this pin. Discharge and precharge circuits are built in, however, they will not be affected by the external capacitor.

Symbol	Pin No.	Equivalent circuit	Pin description
ALCC	7pin		Pin for setting the ALC time constant. Attack time and release time are set with an external resistor and capacitor.
BAR1 BAL1	13pin 24pin		Pin for connecting the dynamic bass boost filter. ※ See "Precautions".
BAR2 BAL2	14pin 23pin		Pin for connecting the dynamic bass boost filter. This pin has a high impedance, therefore, pattern wire should be short and direct. ※ See "Precautions".
BAR3 BAL3	15pin 22pin		Pin for connecting the dynamic bass boost filter.
ROUT LOUT	16pin 21pin		Signal output pin.

Symbol	Pin No.	Equivalent circuit	Pin description
BIAS	17pin		Bias output pin. When using a bias, the pattern wire should be close to the pin to reduce the impedance of the wire.
SWGE	18pin		Mode switch for preset graphic equalizer.
SWTB	19pin		Gain switch for dynamic bass boost.
CAP	20pin		Pin for setting the ALC band. Set the impedance of this pin at 10 k $\Omega$ (Typ.).
Vcc	6pin	—	Supply voltage pin.
GND	8pin	—	Ground pin.

- Electrical characteristics (unless otherwise noted,  $T_a = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{CC} = 10\text{V}$ ,  $f = 1\text{kHz}$ ,  $V_{IN} = 200\text{mV}_{\text{rms}}$ , preset equalizer normal :  $R_g = 620\Omega$ , during dynamic bass boost :  $R_L = 10\text{k}\Omega$ )

Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit	Conditions
Quiescent current	$I_Q$	—	7	17	mA	Not designed to be radiation resistant.
Maximum output voltage	$V_{om}$	2.4	2.8	—	$V_{\text{rms}}$	THD=1%
Output voltage gain	$G_v$	18	20	22	dB	
Total harmonic distortion	THD	—	0.01	0.05	%	$f=1\text{kHz}$ , BW : 400Hz~300kHz
Output noise voltage	$V_{no}$	—	17	35	$\mu\text{V}_{\text{rms}}$	$R_g=0$ , DIN AUDIO*
Crosstalk	CT	—	-70	-60	dB	$f=1\text{kHz}$
Input impedance	$R_{IN}$	35	50	65	$\text{k}\Omega$	
Ripple rejection ratio	RR	—	-41	-35	dB	$f_r=100\text{Hz}$ , $V_{rIN}=100\text{mV}_{\text{rms}}$
Channel balance	CB	-1.5	0	1.5	dB	

〈Dynamic bass boost〉

Boost level 1	BB1	3	5	7	dB	$f=60\text{Hz}$ , TH1 $V_{IN}=56\text{mV}_{\text{rms}}$
Boost level 2	BB2	8	10	12	dB	$f=60\text{Hz}$ , TH2 $V_{IN}=30\text{mV}_{\text{rms}}$
Boost level 3	BB3	13	15	17	dB	$f=60\text{Hz}$ , TH3 $V_{IN}=18\text{mV}_{\text{rms}}$
Boost level 4	BB4	18	20	22	dB	$f=60\text{Hz}$ , TH4 $V_{IN}=10\text{mV}_{\text{rms}}$
Switch control voltage 0	TH0	—	0	0.3	V	No bass boost
Switch control voltage 1	TH1	1.0	1.3	1.6	V	Boost level 1 position
Switch control voltage 2	TH2	2.5	3.0	3.5	V	Boost level 2 position
Switch control voltage 3	TH3	4.5	5.0	5.5	V	Boost level 3 position
Switch control voltage 4	TH4	6.5	7.0	10	V	Boost level 4 position

〈Preset equalizer〉

Switch control voltage F	TH <sub>F</sub>	—	0	0.3	V	FLAT
Switch control voltage R	TH <sub>R</sub>	1.0	1.3	1.6	V	ROCK
Switch control voltage P	TH <sub>P</sub>	2.5	3.0	3.5	V	POP
Switch control voltage J	TH <sub>J</sub>	4.2	5.0	5.5	V	JAZZ
Switch control voltage C	TH <sub>C</sub>	6.5	7.0	7.5	V	CLASSIC
Switch control voltage B	TH <sub>B</sub>	8.5	9.0	10	V	BGM

\* Measurement performed using Matsushita Communication Industrial VP-9690A DIN Audio filter (average value wave detection, effective value display).

◎Not designed for radiation resistance.

Operating specifications

Input and output signal pins are in phase.

- Reference values for application circuit example (unless otherwise noted,  $T_a = 25^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{CC} = 10\text{V}$ ,  
 $V_{IN} = 200\text{mV}_{\text{rms}}$ , preset equalizer normal :  $R_g = 620\Omega$ , during dynamic bass boost :  $R_L = 10\text{k}\Omega$ )

Parameter		Symbol	Typ.	Unit	Conditions		
〈Preset equalizer〉							
ROCK	Low range	G <sub>VRL</sub>	25	dB	f=100Hz	TH <sub>R</sub>	
ROCK	High range	G <sub>VRH</sub>	25	dB	f=10kHz	TH <sub>R</sub>	
POP	Low range	G <sub>VPL</sub>	19	dB	f=100Hz	TH <sub>P</sub>	
POP	Meduim range	G <sub>VPM</sub>	23	dB	f=1kHz	TH <sub>P</sub>	
POP	High range	G <sub>VPH</sub>	20	dB	f=10kHz	TH <sub>P</sub>	
JAZZ	Low range	G <sub>VJL</sub>	23	dB	f=100Hz	TH <sub>J</sub>	
JAZZ	High range	G <sub>VJH</sub>	23	dB	f=10kHz	TH <sub>J</sub>	
CLASSIC	Low range	G <sub>VCL</sub>	23	dB	f=100Hz	TH <sub>C</sub>	
CLASSIC	High range	G <sub>VCH</sub>	19	dB	f=10kHz	TH <sub>C</sub>	
BGM	Low range	G <sub>VBL</sub>	19	dB	f=100Hz	TH <sub>B</sub>	
BGM	High range	G <sub>VBH</sub>	18	dB	f=10kHz	TH <sub>B</sub>	
Output noise voltage	ROCK	V <sub>NOR</sub>	32	μ V <sub>rms</sub>	R <sub>g</sub> =0	TH <sub>R</sub>	DIO AUDIO*
	POP	V <sub>NOP</sub>	18	μ V <sub>rms</sub>	R <sub>g</sub> =0	TH <sub>R</sub>	DIO AUDIO*
	JAZZ	V <sub>NOJ</sub>	25	μ V <sub>rms</sub>	R <sub>g</sub> =0	TH <sub>J</sub>	DIO AUDIO*
	CLASSIC	V <sub>NOC</sub>	21	μ V <sub>rms</sub>	R <sub>g</sub> =0	TH <sub>C</sub>	DIO AUDIO*
	BGM	V <sub>NOB</sub>	17	μ V <sub>rms</sub>	R <sub>g</sub> =0	TH <sub>B</sub>	DIO AUDIO*
Output level when ALC on		V <sub>OAGC</sub>	1.3	V <sub>rms</sub>	During dynamic bass boost, f=60Hz V <sub>IN</sub> =130mVrms		

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## ● Measurement circuit

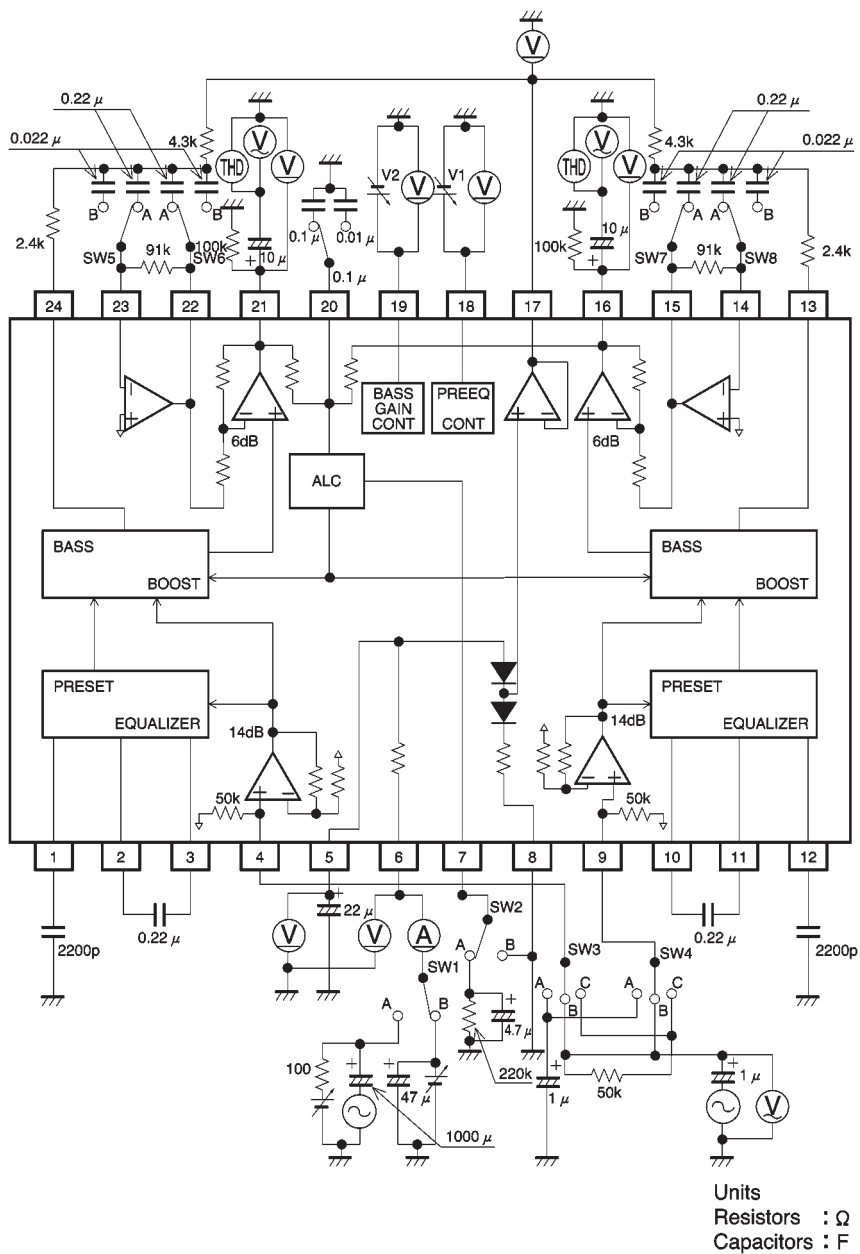


Fig.1

### ●Circuit operation

#### (1) Operating power supply voltage range

Within the operating power supply voltage range, circuit functioning is guaranteed as long as the operating temperature range is not exceeded. However, verify carefully that the voltage, temperature, and component values are appropriate.

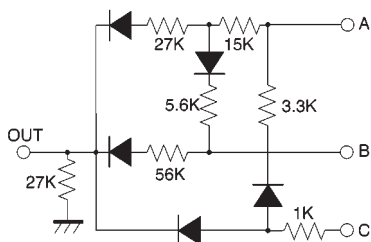
#### (2) Control pins and control voltage settings

1) The DC control range is 0 V to  $V_{CC}$  for the preset equalizer and the dynamic bass boost control pins (pins 18 and 19). Make sure that the voltage applied to these control pins does not exceed  $V_{CC}$ .

2) Mode switch threshold values are determined by dividing resistors between  $V_{CC}$  and GND of both the preset equalizer and bass boost. If the control voltages are divided from the supply voltage of the IC, they will have greater tolerance with respect to  $V_{CC}$  fluctuations.

3) During mode switching, an abrupt change in the level of the DC output may occur, causing a sound. In this case, add the capacitor and resistor indicated in the application, or only the capacitor as needed.

4) Here is an example of determining the control pin voltage setting with the input of three values.



Connect OUT to the control pin.

Regarding the values of the various constants, it is important to consider current dissipation and other such problems. If such a problem should occur, change the constants and redesign the diode logic.

OUT	C	B	A
0 V	L	L	L
1.3 V	L	L	H
3 V	L	H	L
5 V	L	H	H
7 V	H	L	L
9 V	H	L	H

L : 0V  
H :  $V_{CC}$

#### (3) Input coupling capacitors

Note that the polarity of the input coupling capacitors will change depending on the DC voltage to which they are connected. Set capacitors based on the frequency band to be used, taking into consideration the fact that the input impedance is 50k $\Omega$ .

#### (4) Load resistances

If the values of the load resistors are too small, the output gain and total harmonic distortion may fluctuate slightly. Take this into consideration when connecting the subsequent stage.

(5) The dynamic bass boost filter is a multi feedback active filter which forms the B.P.F.

$F_0$  can be changed with the C value.

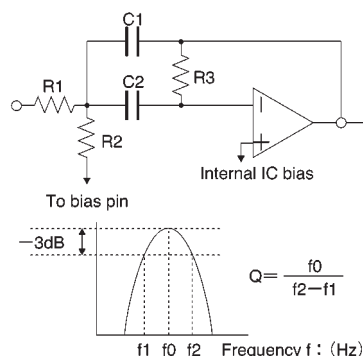
$$f_0 = 1 / [2\pi \times \{(R_1 // R_2) \times R_3 \times C_1 \times C_2\}^{1/2}]$$

$$Q = 1 / 2 \times \{(R_3 / (R_1 // R_2))^{1/2}\}$$

$$H_0 = R_3 / \{R_1 \times (1 + C_1 / C_2)^{1/2}\}$$

When  $R_1 = 2.4k\Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 4.3k\Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 91k\Omega$ , and  $C_1 = C_2 = 0.22\mu F$ ,

$$f_0 \doteq 61\text{Hz} \quad Q \doteq 3.8 \quad H_0 \doteq 19$$



If  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are too small, the bass boost characteristics such as boost gain and crosstalk may change. Keep this in mind when setting filter values. Furthermore, design the application so that the bass boost level increments by 5dB from 5 to 20dB when  $H_0 = 19$ .

## (6) Filter for preset equalizer

## 1) Low band

The low cutoff frequency  $f_c$  of each mode is given by the following equation :

$$f_c = 1 / 2\pi CR = 1 / (2\pi \times C \times 15.6k\Omega)$$

When  $C = 0.22\mu F$ ,

$$f_c \doteq 46 \text{ (Hz)}$$

The  $f_c$  value can be changed to make slight changes in the boost and cutoff gain of each mode.

## 2) High band

The high cutoff frequencies  $f_c$  of each mode are given by the following equation :

$$f_c = 1 / 2\pi CR$$

When  $C = 2200pF$ ,

$$\text{ROCK : } R = 8.0k\Omega \quad f_c \doteq 9.0 \text{ (kHz)}$$

$$\text{JAZZ : } R = 10.7k\Omega \quad f_c \doteq 6.8 \text{ (kHz)}$$

$$\text{CLASSIC : } R = 14.9k\Omega \quad f_c \doteq 4.8 \text{ (kHz)}$$

$$\text{BGM. POP : } R = 17.4k\Omega \quad f_c \doteq 4.2 \text{ (kHz)}$$

The  $f_c$  values can be changed to make slight changes in the boost and cutoff gain of each mode.

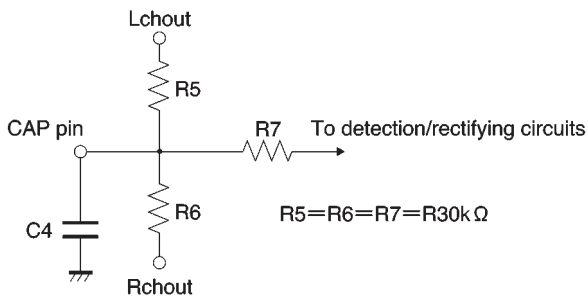
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If a high or low  $f_c$  value is changed, the gains of all modes will change. The gain cannot be changed for only one mode.

## (7) ALC

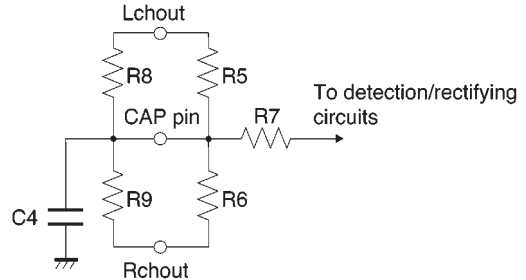
The band of ALC detection can be changed with the value of  $C_4$ . It must be adjusted appropriately for the dynamic bass boost  $f_0$ . In the example application circuit  $C_4 = 0.1\mu F$ , thus  $f_c = 1 / 2\pi C_4 (R_5 // R_6 // R_7)$

$$\doteq 160 \text{ (Hz)}$$



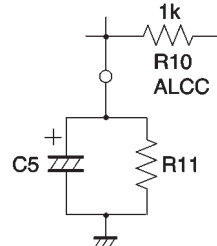
The detection wave is dually rectified. In the example application circuit, it is  $1.3V_{rms}$ , but if the resistors  $R_8$  and  $R_9$  are connected as shown below, it will lower the ALC level. Adjust the ALC level as needed. The detection band at this time is :

$$f_c = 1 / 2\pi C_4 (R_5 // R_6 // R_7 // R_8 // R_9)$$



## (8) Attack time and release time

Adjust the attack and release times with the resistors and capacitors connected to the ALCC pin. The attack time is determined by  $R_{10}$  ( $1k\Omega$ ) and  $C_5$ , and the release time is determined by  $R_{11}$  and  $C_5$ . If the value set for  $C_5$  is below  $4.7\mu F$ , the ALC level may become unstable.



●Electrical characteristic curves (reference values)

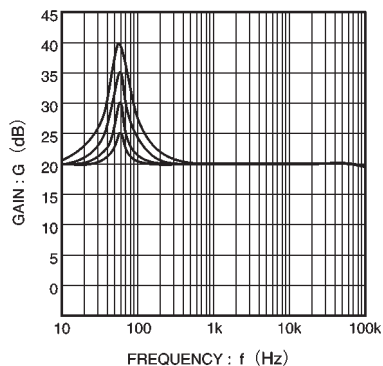


Fig. 2 Dynamic bass boost frequency characteristics

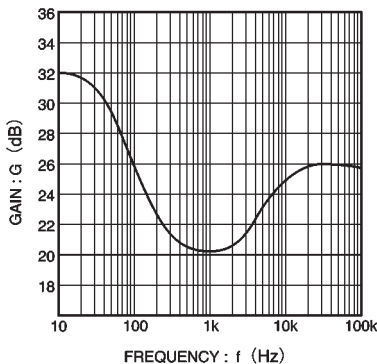


Fig. 3 PRE-G-EQ frequency characteristics (rock)

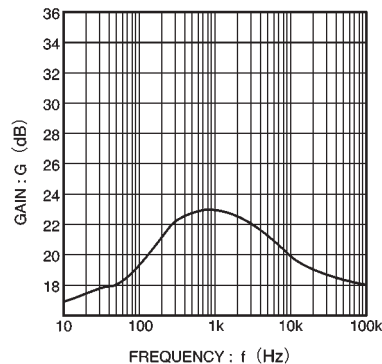


Fig. 4 PRE-G-EQ frequency characteristics (pop)

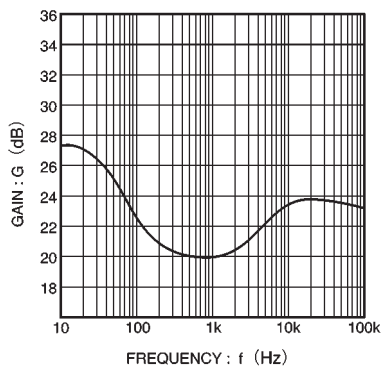


Fig. 5 PRE-G-EQ frequency characteristics (jazz)

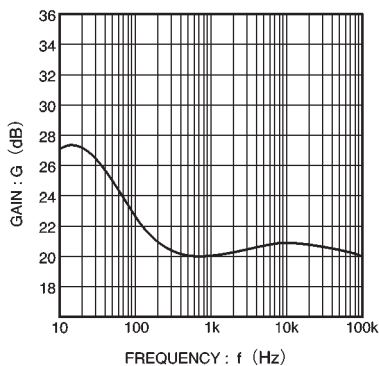


Fig. 6 PRE-G-EQ frequency characteristics (classic)

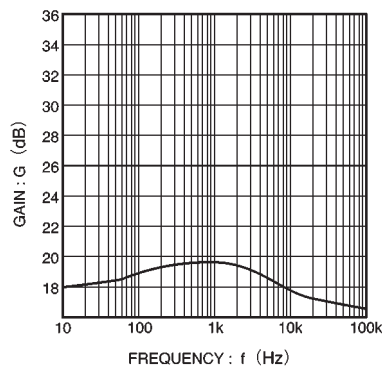


Fig. 7 PRE-G-EQ frequency characteristics (BGM)

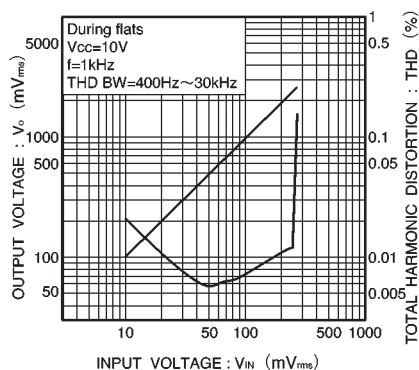


Fig.8 Input/output characteristics

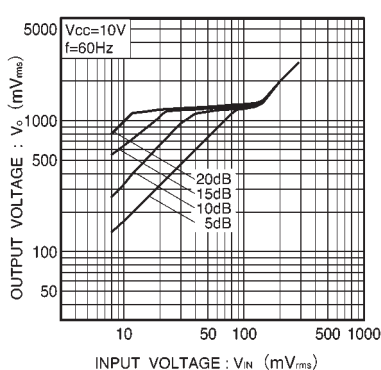
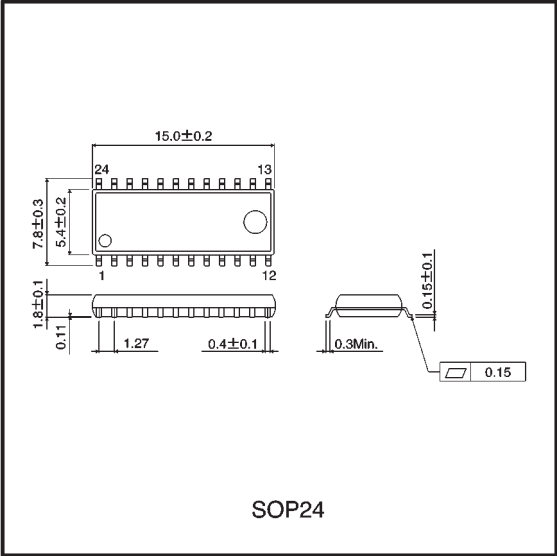


Fig.9 Bass boost ALC input/output characteristics

●External dimensions (Units: mm)



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