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# PXIe-4468

# Specifications

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## Reference

**Warranted** specifications describe the performance of a model under stated operating conditions and are covered by the model warranty. Warranted specifications account for measurement uncertainties, temperature drift, and aging. Warranted specifications are ensured by design or verified during production and calibration.

**Characteristics** describe values that are relevant to the use of the model under stated operating conditions but are not covered by the model warranty.

- **Typical** specifications describe the performance met by a majority of models.
- **Nominal** specifications describe an attribute that is based on design, conformance testing, or supplemental testing.

Specifications are **Typical** unless otherwise noted.

## Conditions

Specifications are valid for the range 0 °C to 55 °C unless otherwise noted.

## Input Characteristics

Number of simultaneously sampled input channels	2
Input configuration	Differential or pseudodifferential (50 Ω between negative input and chassis ground), each channel independently software-selectable
Input coupling	AC or DC, each channel independently software selectable

A/D converter (ADC) resolution	24 bits
ADC type	Delta-sigma
<b>Sample rates</b>	
Range	100 S/s to 250 kS/s
Resolution	Refer to <a href="#">Figure 1</a> for additional information.
ADC modulator sample rate	8.125 MS/s
FIFO buffer size	1,023 samples
Data transfers	Direct memory access (DMA), programmed I/O

## Overvoltage Protection

All input configurations	$\pm 42.4 \text{ V}$ peak <sup>[1]</sup> , minimum/warranted
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## Input Signal Range

Gain (dB) <sup>*</sup>	Full-Scale Range <sup>*</sup> , Minimum	
	V peak	V RMS (Sine Input)
30	$\pm 0.316$	0.224

Gain (dB) <sup>*</sup>	Full-Scale Range <sup>*</sup> , Minimum	
	V peak	V RMS (Sine Input)
20	±1.00	0.707
10	±3.16	2.24
0	±10.0	7.07
-10	±31.6	22.4
-20	±42.4	30.0

\* Each input channel gain is independently software-selectable.

## Common-Mode Range

Gain (dB)	Input	Configuration	
		Differential (V peak) <sup>*</sup>	Pseudodifferential (V peak) <sup>*</sup>
0, 10, 20, 30	Positive input (+)	±12	±12
	Negative input (-)	±12	±10
-10, -20	Positive input (+)	±42.4	±42.4
	Negative input (-)	±42.4	±10

\* Voltages with respect to chassis ground.

## Gain Amplitude Accuracy

1 kHz input tone	
T <sub>cal</sub> <sup>[2],[3]</sup> ±5 °C	±0.025 dB maximum/warranted
Over full operating temperature range	±0.05 dB maximum/warranted

## Input Transfer Characteristics

## Offset (Residual DC)

**Table 1.** Offset, Maximum/Warranted

Gain (dB)	DC-Coupled Offset ( $\pm$ mV) <sup>*,†</sup> , $T_{cal}$ <sup>‡</sup> $\pm 5$ °C	DC-Coupled Offset ( $\pm$ mV) <sup>*</sup> , Over Full Operating Temperature Range	AC-Coupled Offset ( $\pm$ mV), Over Full Operating Temperature Range
30	0.1	0.3	3.0
20	0.1	0.3	3.0
10	0.2	1.0	3.0
0	0.5	3.0	4.0
-10	2.0	10.0	10.0
-20	5.0	50.0	50.0

<sup>\*</sup> Source impedance  $\leq 50 \Omega$ .

<sup>†</sup> Listed accuracy is valid for 30 days following a self-calibration.

<sup>‡</sup>  $T_{cal}$  = device temperature at which the last self-calibration was performed.

## Input Amplifier Characteristics

### Input Impedance

Input Impedance	Configuration	
	Differential	Pseudodifferential
Between positive input and chassis ground	1 MΩ    210 pF	1 MΩ    210 pF
Between negative input and chassis ground	1 MΩ    210 pF	50 Ω

## Common-Mode Rejection Ratio (CMRR)

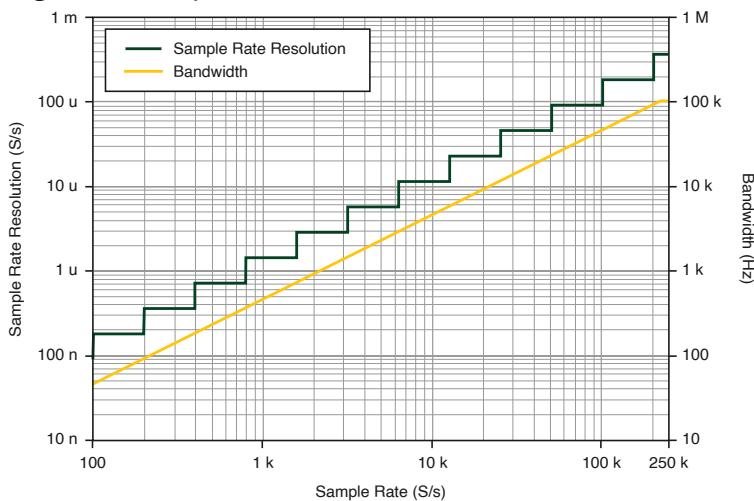
Gain (dB)	Differential Configuration	
	DC-Coupled CMRR (dBc), $f_{in} \leq 1 \text{ kHz}$	AC-Coupled CMRR (dBc), $f_{in} = 50 \text{ Hz or } 60 \text{ Hz}$
30	120	
20	110	90
10	100	
0	90	80
-10, -20	60	75

## Input Dynamic Characteristics

### Bandwidth and Alias Rejection

Alias-free bandwidth (BW) (passband)	DC to lesser of $0.454 * f_s$ or 101.536 kHz
Alias rejection	105 dBc

**Figure 1.** Sample Rate Resolution and Bandwidth

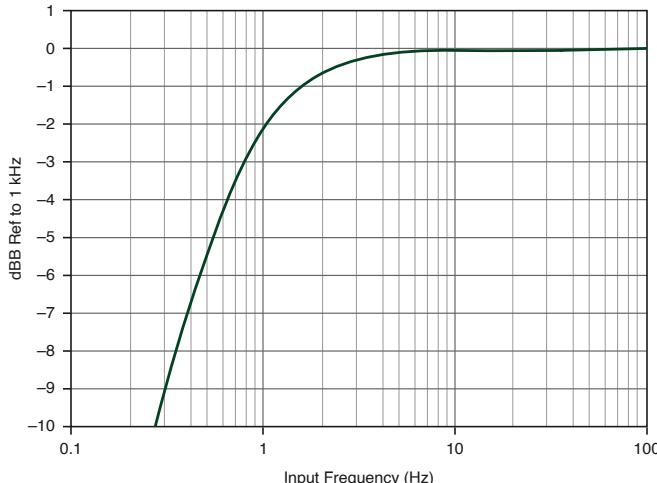
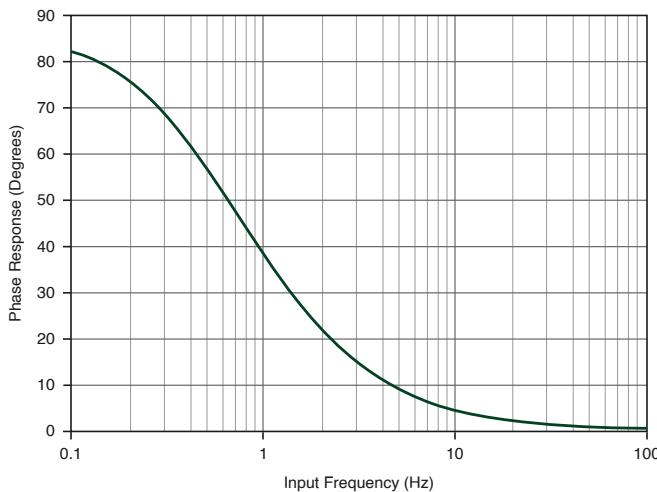


## AI Filter Delay

Digital filter delay	Adjustable <sup>[4]</sup>
<b>Analog filter delay</b>	
0 dB gain	708 ns
10 dB gain	715 ns
20 dB gain	737 ns
30 dB gain	777 ns

## AC Coupling

-3 dB cutoff frequency	0.8 Hz
-0.1 dB cutoff frequency	5.2 Hz

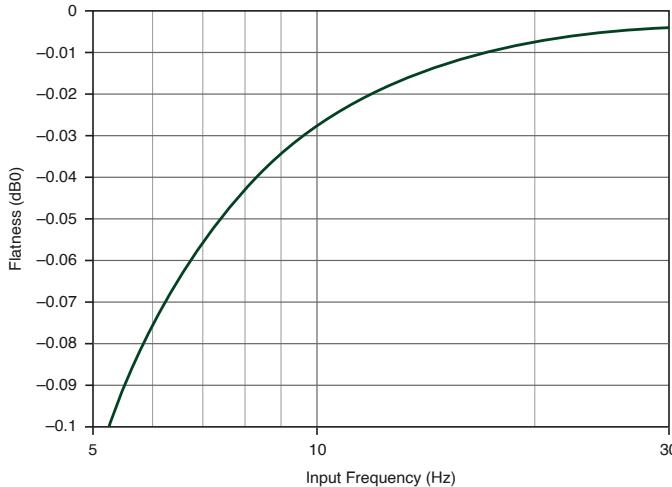
**Figure 2.** AC-Coupled Voltage Measurement Magnitude Response vs. Frequency**Figure 3.** AC-Coupled Voltage Measurement Phase Response vs. Frequency

### AI Flatness

Gain (dB)	$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$						
	DC-Coupled Flatness (dB) <sup>*</sup>			AC-Coupled Flatness (dB) <sup>*</sup>			
	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz}$ to $20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz}$ to $45 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 45 \text{ kHz}$ to $100 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 30 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{in} > 30 \text{ Hz}$ to $20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz}$ to $45 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 45 \text{ kHz}$ to $100 \text{ kHz}$
0, 10, 20, 30, (Maximum/ Warranted)	$\pm 0.006$	$\pm 0.025$	$\pm 0.080$	Refer to the following figure.	$\pm 0.006$	$\pm 0.025$	$\pm 0.080$
0, 10, 20, 30,	$\pm 0.005$	$\pm 0.020$	$\pm 0.070$		$\pm 0.005$	$\pm 0.020$	$\pm 0.070$

Gain (dB)	$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$						
	DC-Coupled Flatness (dB) <sup>*</sup>			AC-Coupled Flatness (dB) <sup>*</sup>			
	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 45 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 45 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 30 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{in} > 30 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 45 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 45 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$
(Typical)							
-10, -20, (Maximum/ Warranted)	$\pm 0.20$	$\pm 0.60$	$\pm 1.00$		$\pm 0.20$	$\pm 0.60$	$\pm 1.00$
-10, -20, (Typical)	$\pm 0.10$	$\pm 0.33$	$\pm 0.55$		$\pm 0.10$	$\pm 0.33$	$\pm 0.55$

\* Relative to 1 kHz.

**Figure 4.** AI AC-Coupled Flatness (Typical)**AI Interchannel Gain Mismatch**

Gain (dB)	AC/DC Coupled Mismatch (dB) <sup>*,†</sup>			AC-Coupled Mismatch (dB) <sup>*</sup>	
	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 45 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 45 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 5 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{in} = 10 \text{ Hz}$
30 (Maximum/ Warranted)	0.008	0.009	0.020	0.010	0.005
30 (Typical)	0.002	0.004	0.010	0.005	0.002

Gain (dB)	AC/DC Coupled Mismatch (dB) <sup>*,†</sup>			AC-Coupled Mismatch (dB) <sup>*</sup>	
	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 45 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 45 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 5 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{in} = 10 \text{ Hz}$
20 (Maximum/ Warranted)	0.007	0.009	0.016	0.010	0.005
20 (Typical)	0.002	0.004	0.010	0.005	0.002
10 (Maximum/ Warranted)	0.007	0.009	0.015	0.010	0.005
10 (Typical)	0.002	0.004	0.010	0.005	0.002
0 (Maximum/ Warranted)	0.007	0.009	0.015	0.010	0.005
0 (Typical)	0.002	0.004	0.010	0.005	0.002
-10, -20 (Maximum/ Warranted)	0.100	0.250	0.400	0.010	0.005
-10, -20 (Typical)	0.050	0.125	0.200	0.005	0.002

<sup>\*</sup> Identical channel configurations.

<sup>†</sup> Operating temperature within  $\pm 5^\circ \text{C}$  of the last self-calibration temperature.

## AI Interchannel Phase Mismatch

Gain (dB)	AC/DC Coupled Mismatch <sup>*</sup>			AC-Coupled Mismatch	
	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 45 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 45 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 5 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{in} = 10 \text{ Hz}$
30	Maximum/ Warranted	0.12°	0.27°	0.60°	0.24°
	Typical	0.06°	0.13°	0.30°	0.12°
20	Maximum/	0.06°	0.14°	0.30°	0.24°
					0.12°

Gain (dB)		AC/DC Coupled Mismatch*			AC-Coupled Mismatch	
		$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz}$ to $20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz}$ to $45 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 45 \text{ kHz}$ to $100 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 5 \text{ Hz}$	$f_{in} = 10 \text{ Hz}$
10	Warranted					
	Typical	0.03°	0.07°	0.15°	0.12°	0.06°
0	Maximum/ Warranted	0.06°	0.12°	0.25°	0.24°	0.12°
	Typical	0.03°	0.06°	0.12°	0.12°	0.06°
-10, -20	Maximum/ Warranted	0.05°	0.11°	0.23°	0.24°	0.12°
	Typical	0.02°	0.06°	0.12°	0.12°	0.06°

\* Identical channel configurations.



**Note** Listed gain and phase mismatch specifications are valid for measurements made on channels on the same module. For measurements made on channels on different modules, the listed gain and phase mismatch specifications still apply, but are subject to the following conditions:

- For gain matching, all modules must be properly warmed up and then self-calibrated. Refer to the [Calibration](#) section for the specified warm-up time.

- For phase matching, all modules must be synchronized to a common timebase. To the listed specifications, add the following error:  $360^\circ \times f_{in} \times \text{clock skew}$ . Refer to the [Timing and Synchronization](#) section for the maximum intermodule clock skew.
- Gain specification applies only for two channels on the same board. For channels on different boards, gain mismatch is  $\sqrt{2} \times (\text{Gain error} + \text{flatness})$
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### AI Phase Linearity

Gain (dB)	Linearity (deg)	
	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ Hz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$
0, 10, 20, 30	$\pm 0.005^\circ$	$\pm 0.03^\circ$
-20, -10	$\pm 0.1^\circ$	$\pm 1^\circ$

### AI Idle Channel Noise

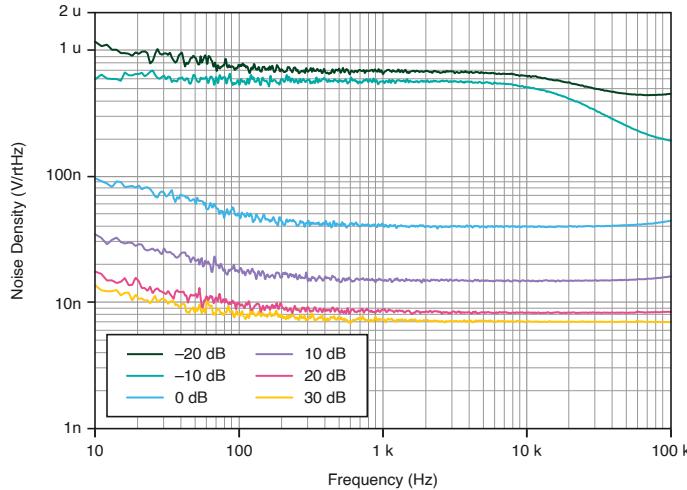
Gain (dB)		Idle Channel Noise ( $\mu\text{V RMS}$ ) <sup>*</sup>			
		$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$	
		20 Hz to 20 kHz	0.1 Hz to 23.2 kHz	20 Hz to 20 kHz	0.1 Hz to 101.563 kHz
30	Maximum/Warranted	1.3	1.6	1.3	2.8
	Typical	1.1	1.2	1.1	2.4
20	Maximum/Warranted	1.5	1.6	1.5	3.4
	Typical	1.3	1.4	1.3	2.9
10	Maximum/Warranted	2.8	3.0	2.8	7.0
	Typical	2.3	2.5	2.3	5.2

Gain (dB)		Idle Channel Noise ( $\mu$ V RMS) <sup>*</sup>			
		$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$	
		20 Hz to 20 kHz	0.1 Hz to 23.2 kHz	20 Hz to 20 kHz	0.1 Hz to 101.563 kHz
0	Maximum/Warranted	8.0	9.0	8.0	18.0
	Typical	6.3	6.8	6.3	14.0
-10	Maximum/Warranted	99.0	103.0	99.0	144.0
	Typical	74.0	80.0	74.0	108.0
-20	Maximum/Warranted	133.0	140.0	133.0	250.0
	Typical	94.0	100.0	94.0	170.0

\* Source impedance  $\leq 50 \Omega$ .

### AI Spectral Noise Density

AI spectral noise density	7 nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ at 30 dB gain, 1 kHz
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**Figure 5.** AI Spectral Noise Density**AI Dynamic Range**

Gain (dB)		Dynamic Range (dBFS) <sup>*,†</sup>			
		$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$	
		Audio BW (20 Hz to 20 kHz)	Full BW (0.1 Hz to 23.2 kHz)	Audio BW (20 Hz to 20 kHz)	Full BW (0.1 Hz to 101.563 kHz)
30	Minimum/ Warranted	105	104	105	98
	Typical	106	105	106	99
20	Minimum/ Warranted	113	112	113	106
	Typical	115	114	115	108
10	Minimum/ Warranted	118	117	118	110
	Typical	119	119	119	113
0	Minimum/ Warranted	119	117	119	111
	Typical	121	120	121	114
-10	Minimum/ Warranted	107	106	107	103
	Typical	109	109	109	106

Gain (dB)		Dynamic Range (dBFS) <sup>*,†</sup>			
		$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$	
		Audio BW (20 Hz to 20 kHz)	Full BW (0.1 Hz to 23.2 kHz)	Audio BW (20 Hz to 20 kHz)	Full BW (0.1 Hz to 101.563 kHz)
-20	Minimum/ Warranted	107	106	107	101
	Typical	110	109	110	105

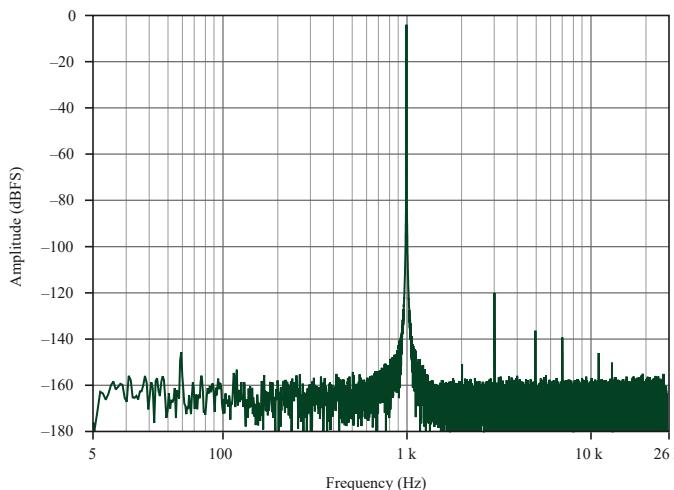
\* 1 kHz input tone, -60 dBFS input amplitude.

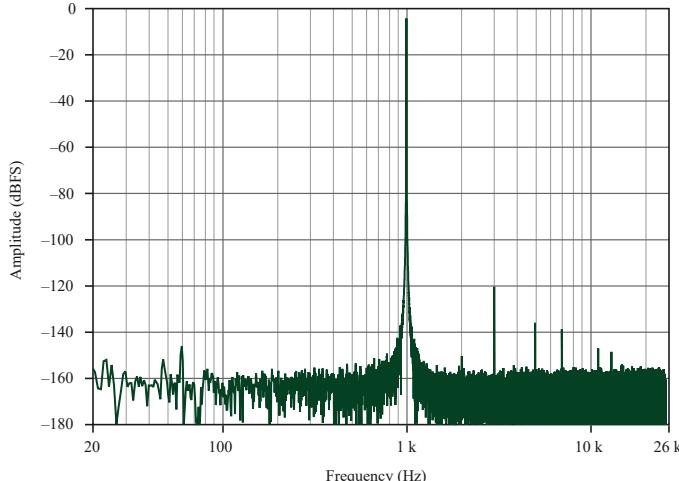
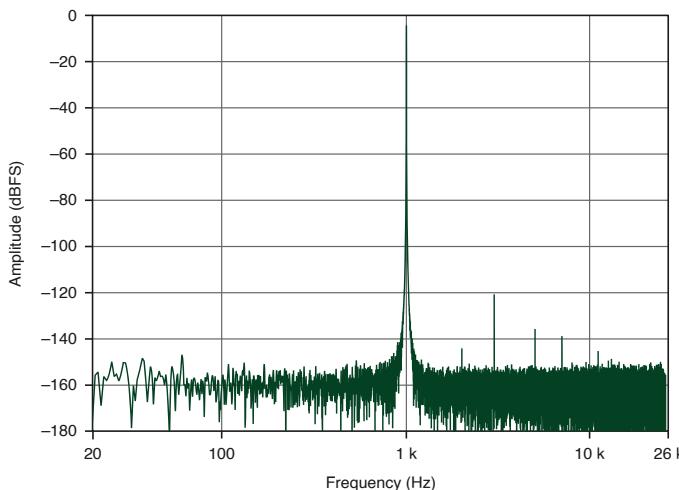
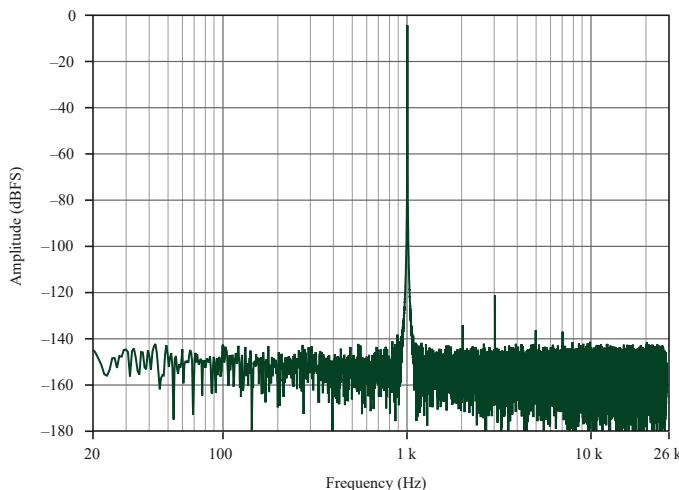
† Source impedance  $\leq 50 \Omega$ .

### Representative Measurement FFTs (1 kHz)

Test conditions for all FFTs: Unaveraged computation of 65,536 samples, differential input configuration.

**Figure 6.** FFT of -1 dBFS, 1 kHz Tone Acquired at 51.2 kS/s, 0 dB Gain



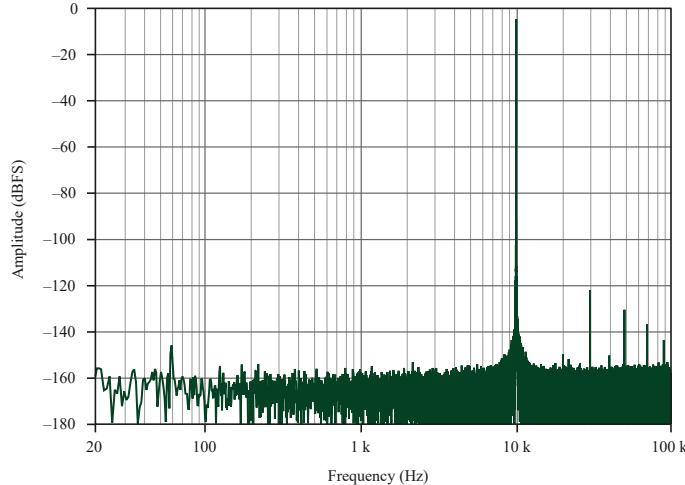
**Figure 11.** FFT of -1 dBFS, 1 kHz Tone Acquired at 51.2 kS/s, 10 dB Gain**Figure 12.** FFT of -1 dBFS, 1 kHz Tone Acquired at 51.2 kS/s, 20 dB Gain**Figure 13.** FFT of -1 dBFS, 1 kHz Tone Acquired at 51.2 kS/s, 30 dB Gain

#### Representative Measurement FFTs (10 kHz)

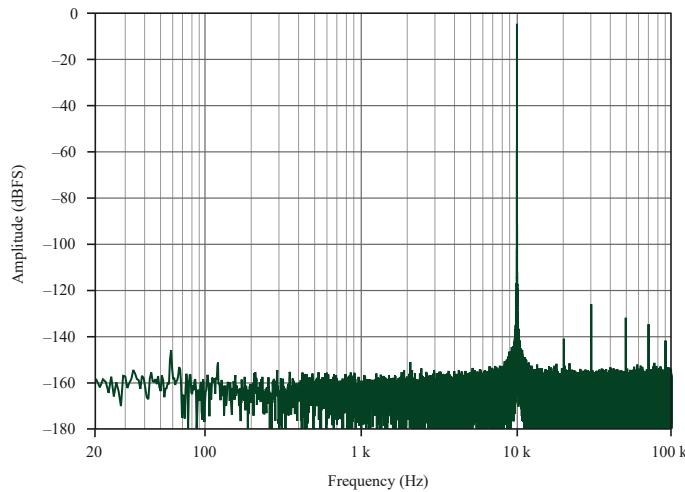
Test conditions for all FFTs: Unaveraged computation of 262,144 samples, differential

input configuration.

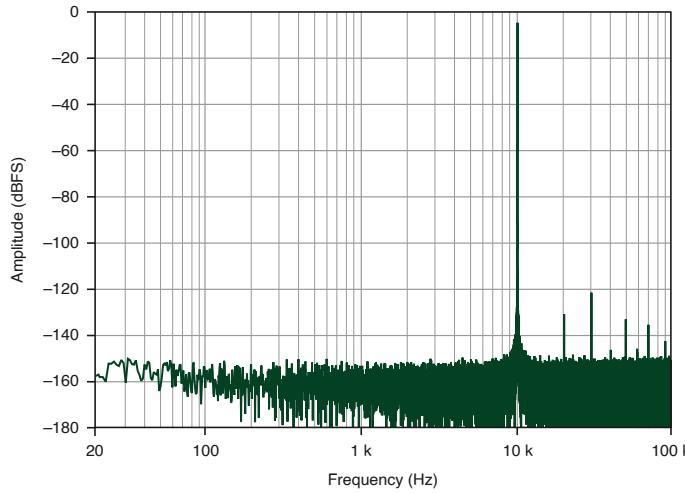
**Figure 10.** FFT of -1 dBFS, 10 kHz Tone Acquired at 250 kS/s, 0 dB Gain

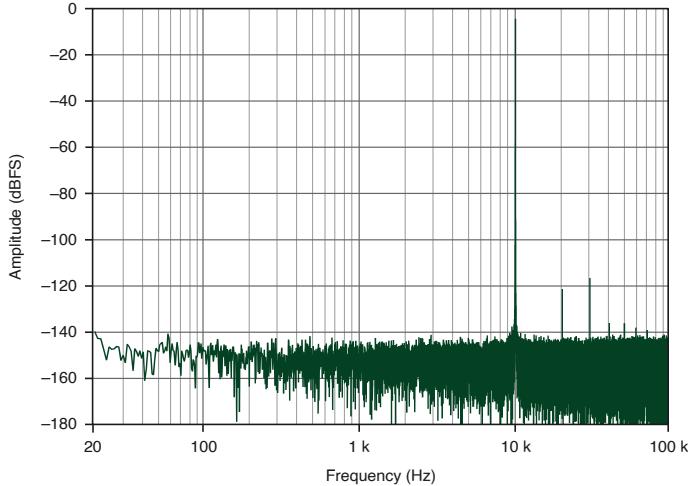


**Figure 11.** FFT of -1 dBFS, 10 kHz Tone Acquired at 250 kS/s, 10 dB Gain



**Figure 12.** FFT of -1 dBFS, 10 kHz Tone Acquired at 250 kS/s, 20 dB Gain



**Figure 13.** FFT of -1 dBFS, 10 kHz Tone Acquired at 250 kS/s, 30 dB Gain**AI Spurious Free Dynamic Range (SFDR) with Harmonics**

Gain (dB)	SFDR (dBc) <sup>*</sup> , Differential Configuration
	$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$ and $f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$
30	111
20	117
10	117
0	116
-10	126
-20	126

\* 1 kHz input tone, input amplitude is the lesser of -1 dBFS or 8.91 V peak. Includes harmonics.

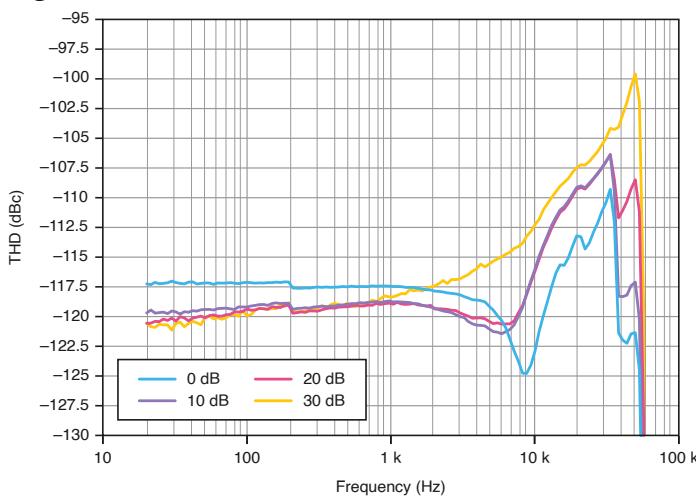
**AI Total Harmonic Distortion (THD), Balanced Source**

Gain (dB)	THD (dBc) <sup>*</sup>				
	$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$		
	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$
30	-115	-115	-115	-102	-97

Gain (dB)	THD (dBc)*				
	$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$		
	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$
20	-116	-115	-116	-106	-105
10	-116	-115	-116	-107	-107
0	-115	-116	-115	-111	-107
-10	-115	-116	-115	-107	-107
-20	-115	-110	-115	-115	-107

\* Input amplitude is the lesser of -1 dBFS or 8.91 V peak, differential configuration.

**Figure 14.** AI THD (Balanced Source with Differential Configuration, 250 kS/s, 0/10/20/30 dB Gain)



#### AI THD, Unbalanced Source

Gain (dB)	THD (dBc)*				
	$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$		
	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$
30	-115	-107	-115	-101	-94
20	-116	-113	-116	-105	-100

Gain (dB)	THD (dBc) <sup>*</sup>				
	$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$		
	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$
10	-116	-115	-116	-107	-104
0	-111	-102	-111	-96	-89
-10	-115	-104	-115	-100	-99
-20	-115	-104	-115	-100	-99

\* Input amplitude is the lesser of -1 dBFS or 8.91 V peak, pseudodifferential configuration.

## AI THD Plus Noise (THD+N), Balanced Source

Gain (dB)	THD + N (dBc) <sup>*</sup>				
	$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s},$ <b>Measurement BW = 0.1 Hz to 23.2 kHz</b>		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s},$ <b>Measurement BW = 0.1 Hz to 101.563 kHz</b>		
	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$
30	-102	-102	-95	-94	-93
20	-110	-110	-103	-101	-100
10	-112	-111	-108	-104	-104
0	-113	-112	-109	-107	-105
-10	-97	-97	-94	-94	-94
-20	-95	-94	-90	-90	-90

\* Input amplitude is the lesser of -1 dBFS or 8.91 V peak, differential configuration.

## AI THD+N, Unbalanced Source

Gain (dB)	THD + N (dBc) <sup>*</sup>				
	$f_s = 51.2 \text{ kS/s}$ , Measurement BW = 0.1 Hz to 23.2 kHz		$f_s = 250 \text{ kS/s}$ , Measurement BW = 0.1 Hz to 101.563 kHz		
	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{in} > 20 \text{ kHz to } 100 \text{ kHz}$
30	-102	-101	-94	-93	-91
20	-110	-109	-103	-101	-98
10	-112	-111	-108	-104	-101
0	-110	-102	-108	-95	-89
-10	-97	-97	-94	-93	-92
-20	-94	-94	-90	-90	-89

\* Input amplitude is the lesser of -1 dBFS or 8.91 V peak, pseudodifferential configuration.

## AI Intermodulation Distortion (IMD)

IMD <sup>[5]</sup>	
30 dB gain	-109 dBc
20 dB gain	-112 dBc
10 dB gain	-117 dBc
0 dB gain	-117 dBc

-10 dB gain	-117 dBc
-20 dB gain	-115 dBc

### Crosstalk, Input Channel Separation

Gain (dB)	Channel Crosstalk (dBc) <sup>*,†</sup>	
	$f_{in} = 1 \text{ kHz}$ Signal	$f_{in} = 100 \text{ kHz}$
30	-140	-110
20	-145	-110
10	-145	-110
0	-145	-110
-10	-110	-80
-20	-110	-80

\* Input amplitude is the lesser of -1 dBFS or 8.91 V peak.

† Source impedance  $\leq 50 \Omega$ .

## Integrated Electronic Piezoelectric (IEPE)

Current Setting		IEPE Range
OFF	Typical	0 mA
4 mA	Minimum	3.858 mA
	Typical	4.031 mA
	Maximum/Warranted	4.205 mA
10 mA	Minimum	9.655 mA
	Typical	10.087 mA

Current Setting		IEPE Range
20 mA	Maximum/Warranted	10.523 mA
	Minimum	19.247 mA
	Typical	20.107 mA
	Maximum/Warranted	20.976 mA

Each channel independently software-selectable.

Voltage compliance	24 V
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**Note** Use the following equation to make sure that your configuration meets the IEPE voltage compliance range:

$V_{common-mode} + V_{bias} \pm V_{full-scale} + (I_{IEPE} \times 50 \Omega)$  must be 0 V to 24 V

where

$V_{common-mode}$  is the common-mode voltage seen by the input channel,

$V_{bias}$  is the DC bias voltage of the sensor,

$V_{full-scale}$  is the AC full-scale voltage of the sensor, and

$I_{IEPE}$  is the selected excitation setting.

Sensor open detection <sup>[6]</sup> (software-readable)	
4 mA	27.3 V

10 mA	26.9 V
20 mA	26.4 V
<b>Sensor short detection<sup>[6]</sup> (software-readable)</b>	
4 mA	1.4 V
10 mA	1.1 V
20 mA	0.6 V
Channel input impedance with IEPE enabled	1 MΩ    270 pF, pseudodifferential

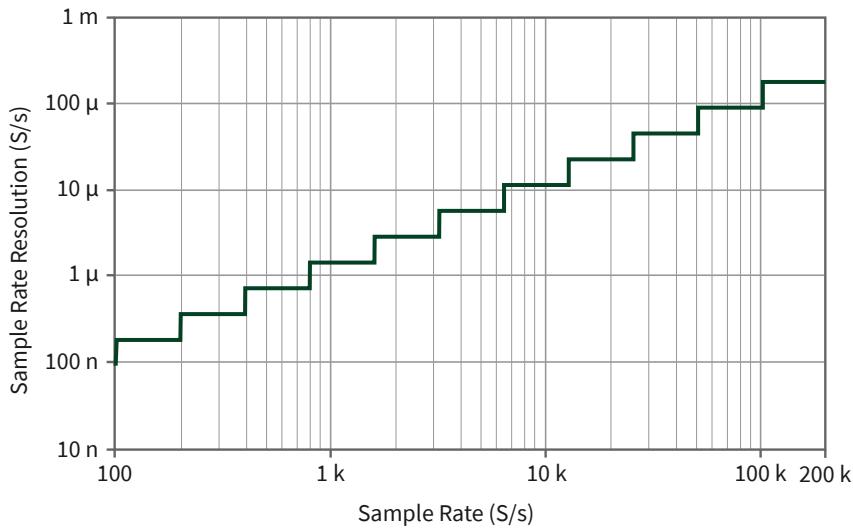
## Output Characteristics

All analog output specifications are in  $40\ \Omega$  termination mode unless otherwise noted.

Number of simultaneously sampled output channels	2
Output configuration	Differential or pseudodifferential ( $50\ \Omega$ between negative output and chassis ground), each channel independently software-selectable
Output coupling	DC
D/A converter (DAC)	24 bits

resolution	
DAC type	Delta-sigma
<b>Sample rates (<math>f_s</math>)</b>	
Range	100 S/s to 200 kS/s
Resolution	Refer to the following figure.

**Figure 15. Sample Rate Resolution**



FIFO buffer size	1,023 samples
Data transfers	Direct memory access (DMA), programmed I/O

## AO Common-Mode Offset Control

Resolution	16 bits
Sample rate	Static
Range	0 V to 5 V

## Output Signal Range

Table 2. Output Signal Range, Minimum/Warranted

Attenuation (dB)	Output Voltage Full-Scale Range *	
	V peak	V RMS (Sine Output)
0	±10.0	7.07
10	±3.16	2.24
20	±1.0	0.707
30	±0.316	0.224

\* Each output channel attenuation is independently software-selectable.

Output load	600 Ω, minimum/warranted
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## Output Impedance

Output Terminals *	40 Ω Termination Mode		600 Ω Termination Mode
	Differential	Pseudodifferential	Differential
Positive (+) to GND	2.6 kΩ	88 Ω	2.8 kΩ
Negative (-) to GND	2.6 kΩ	50 Ω	2.8 kΩ
Positive (+) to negative (-)	40 Ω	40 Ω	600 Ω

\* Each output channel impedance is independently software-selectable.

## Overvoltage Protection

Output Terminals	Short-Circuit Duration	Overvoltage (V peak), Minimum/Warranted
AO+ to chassis GND	Indefinite	±42.4
AO- to chassis GND	Indefinite	±42.4
AO+ to AO-	Indefinite	±42.4

## Output Transfer Characteristics

### AO Offset (Residual DC)

Table 3. Offset, Maximum/Warranted

Attenuation (dB)	Differential		Common Mode
	$T_{cal}^* \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ (mV)	Full Operating Temperature Range (mV)	$T_{cal}^* \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ (mV)
0	±1.0	±10.0	±6.0
10	±0.5	±5.0	
20	±0.2	±2.0	

Attenuation (dB)	Differential		Common Mode
	$T_{cal}^* \pm 5^\circ C$ (mV)	Full Operating Temperature Range (mV)	$T_{cal}^* \pm 5^\circ C$ (mV)
30	$\pm 0.2$	$\pm 1.0$	

\*  $T_{cal}$  = device temperature at which the last self-calibration was performed.

Common Mode Rejection Ratio (CMRR)	80 dB, typical
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### Gain (Amplitude Accuracy)

Specifications valid at any attenuation setting with a 1 kHz output signal.

Differential	$\pm 0.03$ dB ( $T_{cal} \pm 5^\circ C$ ), maximum/warranted; $\pm 0.08$ dB (full operating temperature range), maximum/warranted
Common mode	$\pm 0.075\%$ ( $T_{cal} \pm 5^\circ C$ ), maximum/warranted

( $T_{cal}$  = device temperature at which the last self-calibration was performed.)

## Output Dynamic Characteristics



### Note

The following specifications apply to PXIe-4468 revision C, and later, of the mLXR and BNC variants. For the PXIe-4468 mLXR variant revision B (Part Number 131136B-21L) specifications, refer to <https://www.ni.com/r/4468revb>.

## Passband and Image Rejection

Passband	DC to $0.454 * f_s$
Image rejection	100 dB minimum, $0.546 * f_s < f_{\text{image}} < (1.625 \text{ MHz} - 0.546 * f_s)$

## AO Filter Delay

Output delay <sup>[7]</sup> (samples)	
0.1 kS/s ≤ $f_s$ ≤ 10.0 kS/s	65
10.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 20.0 kS/s	67
20.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 30.0 kS/s	69
30.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 40.0 kS/s	71
40.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 50.0 kS/s	73
50.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 60.0 kS/s	75
60.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 70.0 kS/s	77
70.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 80.0 kS/s	80
80.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 90.0 kS/s	82

90.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 100.0 kS/s	84
100.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 110.0 kS/s	85
110.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 120.0 kS/s	87
120.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 130.0 kS/s	90
130.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 140.0 kS/s	92
140.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 150.0 kS/s	94
150.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 160.0 kS/s	97
160.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 170.0 kS/s	99
170.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 180.0 kS/s	101
180.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 190.0 kS/s	103
190.0 kS/s < $f_s$ ≤ 200.0 kS/s	106

## AO Gain Flatness

Flatness,  $f_s = 200$  kS/s, maximum/warranted

20 Hz to 20 kHz	$\pm 0.008$ dB
20 Hz to 90.6 kHz	$\pm 0.1$ dB

#### AO Interchannel Gain Mismatch

20 Hz to 90.6 kHz	$\pm 0.1$ dB, maximum/warranted; $\pm 0.03$ dB, typical
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#### AO Interchannel Phase Mismatch

20 Hz to 20 kHz	$0.03^\circ$ , maximum/warranted; $0.01^\circ$ , typical
20 Hz to 90.6 kHz	$0.5^\circ$ , maximum/warranted; $0.2^\circ$ , typical



**Note** Listed gain and phase mismatch specifications are valid for measurements made on channels on the same module. For measurements made on channels on different modules, the listed gain and phase mismatch specifications still apply, but are subject to the following conditions:

- For gain matching, all modules must be properly warmed up. Refer to the [Calibration](#) section for the specified warm-up time.
- For phase matching, all modules must be synchronized to a common timebase. To the listed specifications, add the following error:  $360^\circ \times f_{in} \times$  clock skew. Refer to the [Timing and Synchronization](#) section for the maximum intermodule clock skew.
- Gain specification applies only for two channels on the same board. For channels on different boards, gain mismatch is

$$\sqrt{2} \times (\text{Gain error} + \text{flatness})$$

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## AO Phase Linearity

AO phase linearity for all attenuation settings and all output configurations.

20 Hz to 20 kHz	$\pm 0.01^\circ$
20 Hz to 90.6 kHz	$\pm 1.0^\circ$

## AO Idle Channel Noise

**Table 4.** AO Idle Channel Noise, Differential

Range		Noise ( $\mu\text{V RMS}$ )		
		20 Hz to 22.4 kHz	20 Hz to 100 kHz	20 Hz to 500 kHz
0 dB	Maximum/ Warranted	8.5	22.0	220.0
	Typical	5.0	11.0	200.0
10 dB	Maximum/ Warranted	2.7	8.0	130.0
	Typical	1.7	4.0	62.0
20 dB	Maximum/ Warranted	1.2	4.0	40.0
	Typical	0.8	2.0	20.0
30 dB	Maximum/ Warranted	0.8	3.0	15.0
	Typical	0.6	1.2	7.0

**Table 5.** AO Idle Channel Noise, Pseudodifferential

Range		Noise ( $\mu\text{V RMS}$ )		
		20 Hz to 22.4 kHz	20 Hz to 100 kHz	20 Hz to 500 kHz
0 dB	Maximum/Warranted	8.5	22.6	220.0
	Typical	5.0	11.3	200.0
10 dB	Maximum/Warranted	4.0	13.0	140.0
	Typical	2.6	5.7	70.0
20 dB	Maximum/Warranted	3.1	11.0	50.0
	Typical	2.2	4.7	40.0
30 dB	Maximum/Warranted	3.0	10.0	45.0
	Typical	2.1	4.5	35.0

### Dynamic Range

**Table 6.** AO Dynamic Range, Differential

Range		Dynamic Range (dB)		
		20 Hz to 22.4 kHz	20 Hz to 100 kHz	20 Hz to 500 kHz
0 dB	Minimum/Warranted	118	110	90
	Typical	123	116	91
10 dB	Minimum/Warranted	118	108	84
	Typical	122	114	91
20 dB	Minimum/Warranted	115	104	84
	Typical	118	110	90
30 dB	Minimum/Warranted	108	97	83

Range		Dynamic Range (dB)		
		20 Hz to 22.4 kHz	20 Hz to 100 kHz	20 Hz to 500 kHz
	Typical	111	105	90

**Table 7.** AO Dynamic Range, Pseudodifferential

Range		Dynamic Range (dB)		
		20 Hz to 22.4 kHz	20 Hz to 100 kHz	20 Hz to 500 kHz
0 dB	Minimum/Warranted	118	109	90
	Typical	123	115	91
10 dB	Minimum/Warranted	114	104	84
	Typical	118	111	90
20 dB	Minimum/Warranted	107	96	83
	Typical	110	103	86
30 dB	Minimum/Warranted	97	86	73
	Typical	100	93	76

### Spectral Noise Density

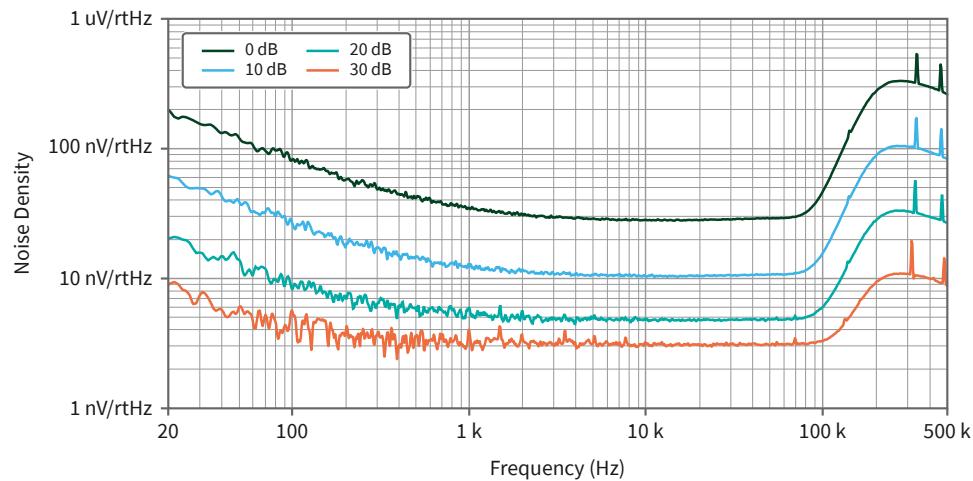
Attenuation (dB)	Spectral Noise Density (nV / $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ ) <sup>*</sup>	
	$f_s = 200 \text{ kS/s}$	
	Differential	Pseudodifferential
0	37.0	39.0
10	13.0	19.0
20	5.1	15.0
30	3.5	15.0

Attenuation (dB)	Spectral Noise Density (nV / $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ ) <sup>*</sup>	
	$f_s = 200 \text{ kS/s}$	
	Differential	Pseudodifferential
* Spectral noise density at 1 kHz.		

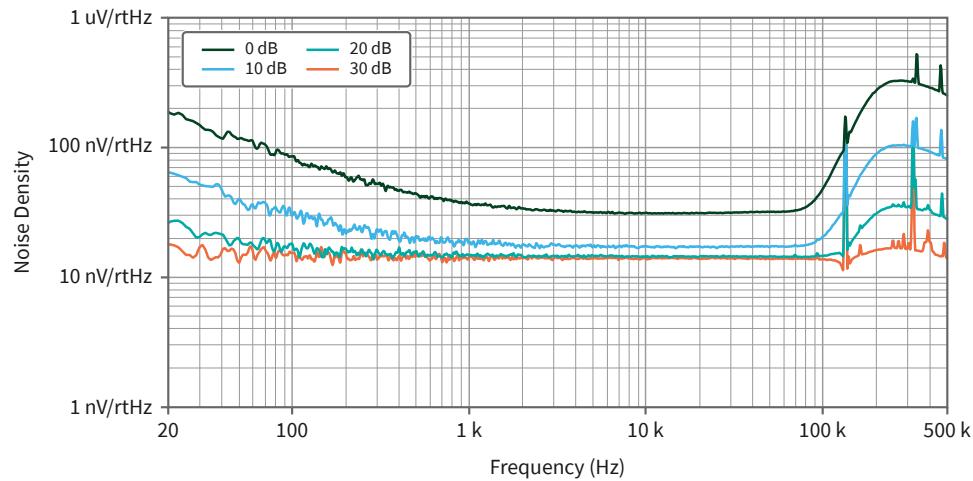
#### AO Spectral Noise Density Performance

Measurement Instrument: PXIe-4480, 0.5V range, differential input configuration.  
Acquisition: 128 cross-spectrum averages of 1,048,576 samples acquired at 1.25 MS/s.

**Figure 16.** Spectral Noise Density (Differential Configuration)



**Figure 17.** Spectral Noise Density (Pseudodifferential Configuration)



## Spurious Free Dynamic Range (SFDR) with Harmonics

All attenuation settings, 20 Hz to 100 kHz,  $f_s = 200$  kS/s, differential<sup>[8],[9]</sup>

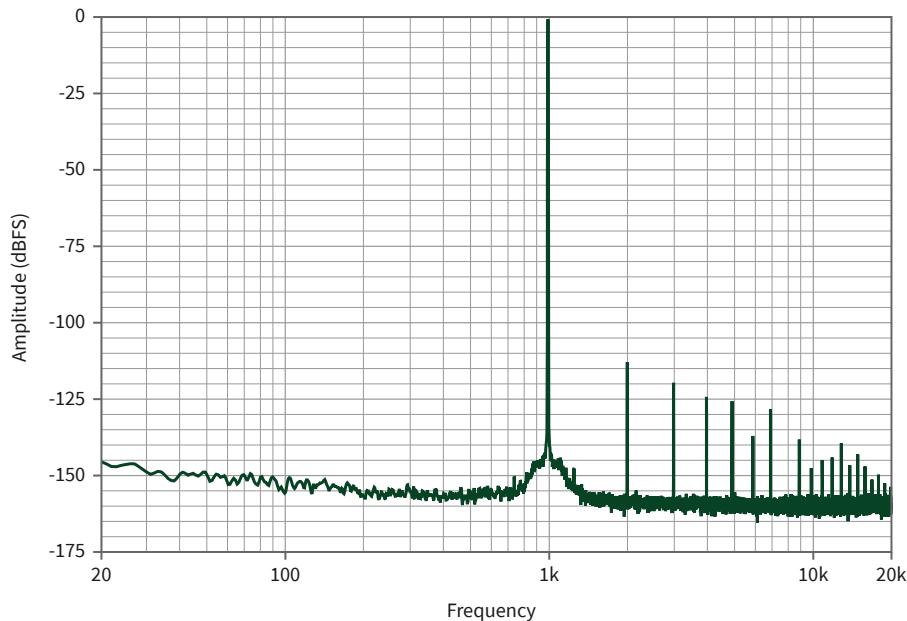
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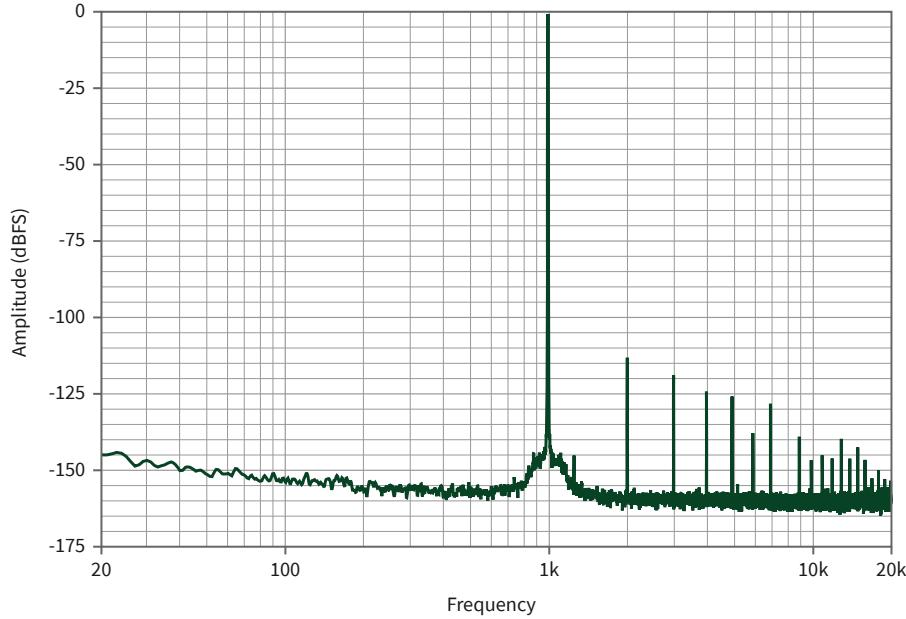
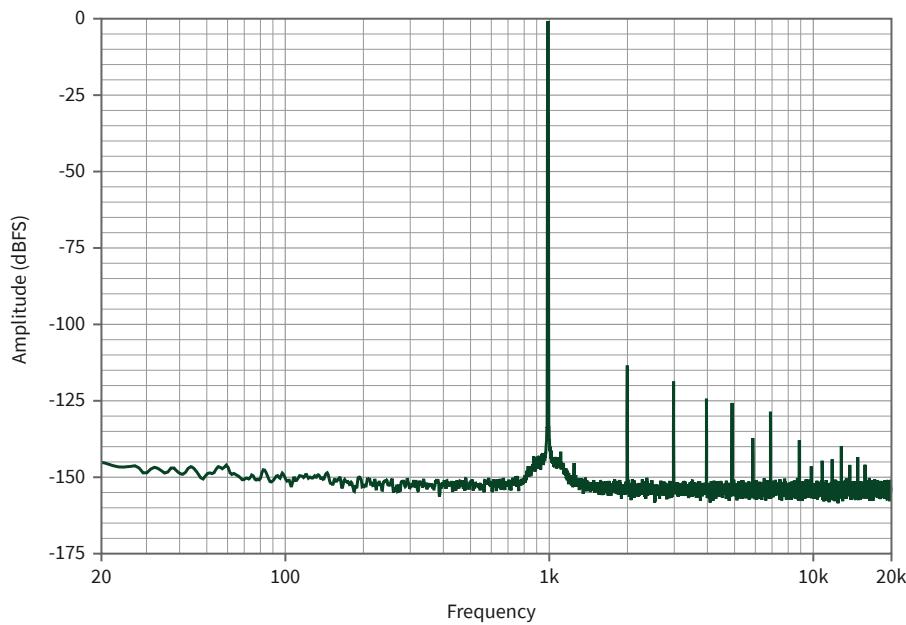
### AO Representative Performance FFTs

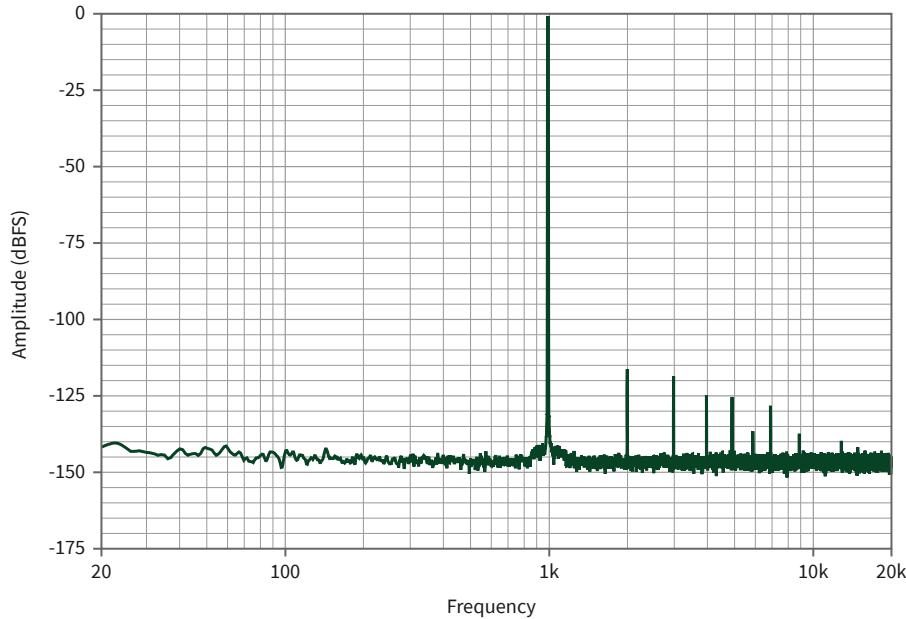
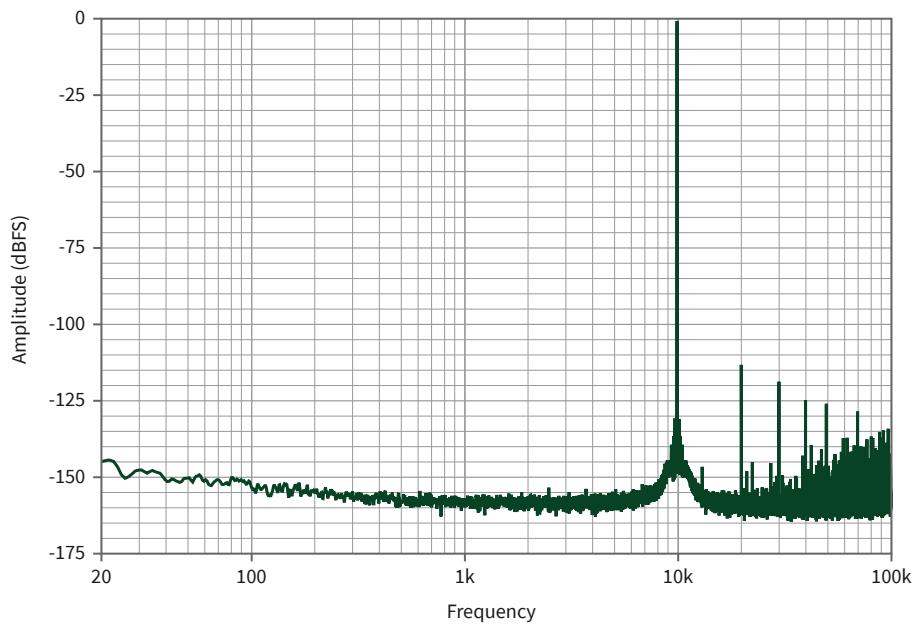
Measurement Instrument: Audio Precision APx555 audio analyzer, differential input configuration.

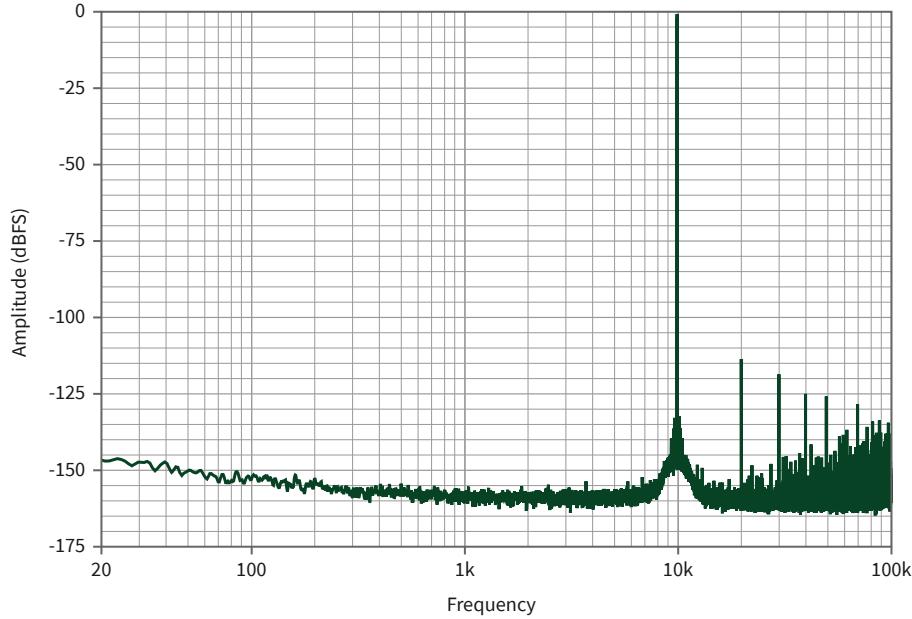
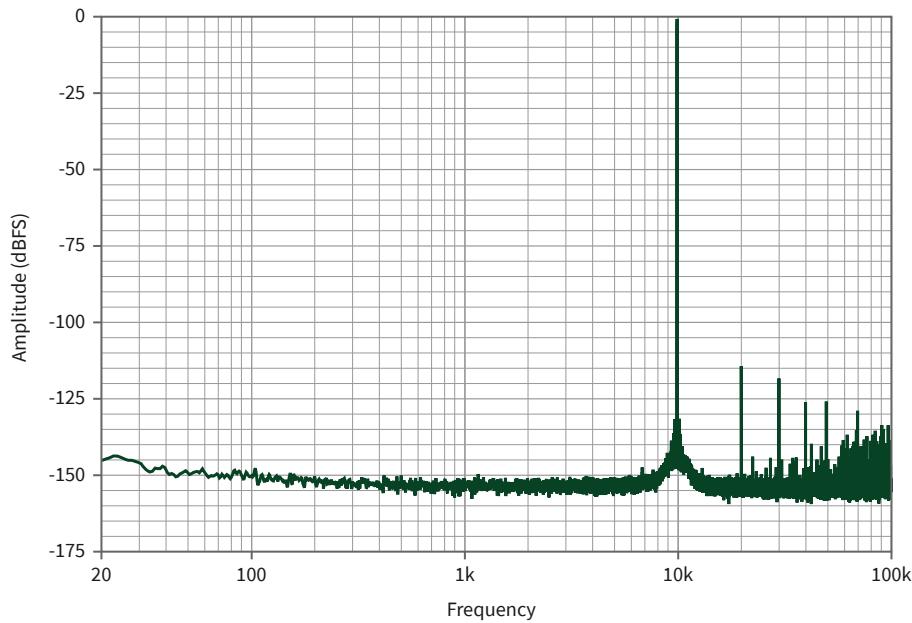
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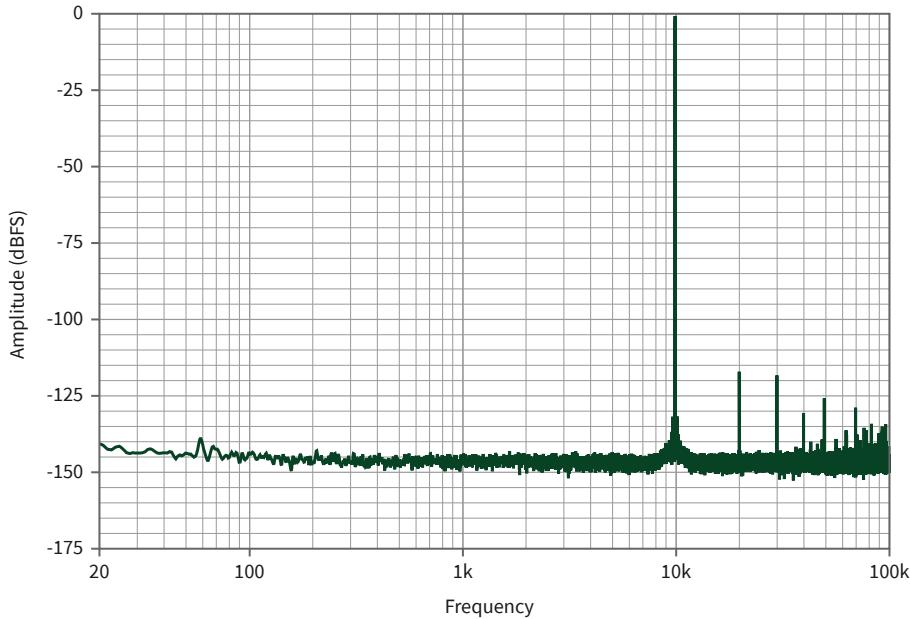
**Figure 18.** FFT -1 dBFS 1 kHz Tone 0 dB Attenuation



**Figure 19.** FFT -1 dBFS 1 kHz Tone 10 dB Attenuation**Figure 20.** FFT -1 dBFS 1 kHz Tone 20 dB Attenuation

**Figure 21.** FFT -1 dBFS 1 kHz Tone 30 dB Attenuation**Figure 22.** FFT -1 dBFS 10 kHz Tone 0 dB Attenuation

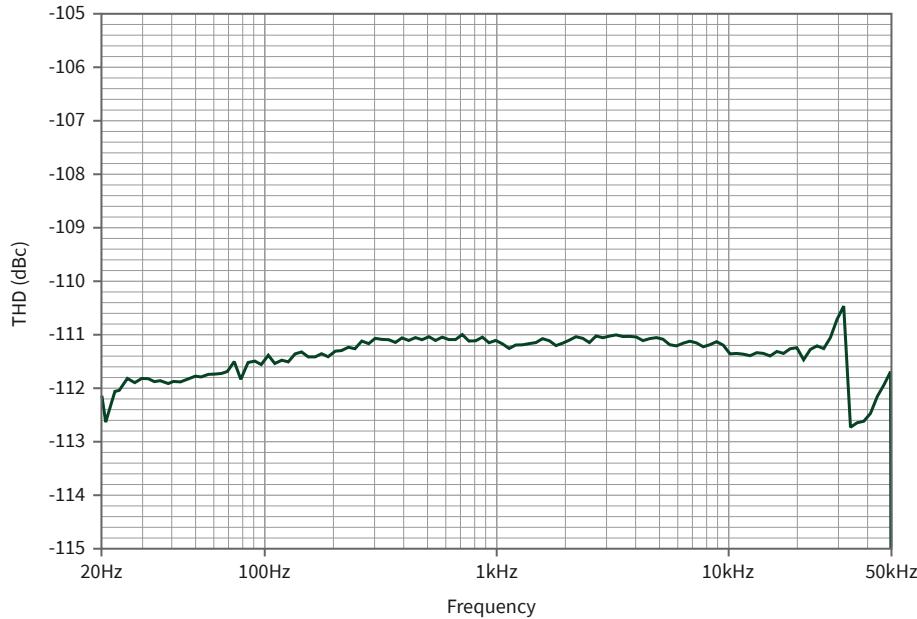
**Figure 23.** FFT -1 dBFS 10 kHz Tone 10 dB Attenuation**Figure 24.** FFT -1 dBFS 10 kHz Tone 20 dB Attenuation

**Figure 25.** FFT -1 dBFS 10 kHz Tone 30 dB Attenuation

### Total Harmonic Distortion (THD)

Attenuation (dB)	THD (dBc) <sup>*,†,‡</sup> , 25 °C ±5 °C				
	$f_s = 200$ kS/s				
	20 Hz to 22.4 kHz Bandwidth		20 Hz to 100 kHz Bandwidth		
	1 kHz	20 Hz to 10 kHz	1 kHz	20 Hz to 20 kHz	20 Hz to 100 kHz
0, 10, 20, 30	-109	-106	-109	-106	-106

<sup>\*</sup> -1 dBFS output amplitude.  
<sup>†</sup> Includes the 2nd through the 11th harmonics.  
<sup>‡</sup> All 40 Ω output configurations.

**Figure 26.** AO THD vs Frequency

AO Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) plus Noise

**Table 8.** AO THD+N, Differential

Attenuation (dB)	THD+N (dBc), 25 °C ±5 °C*					
	$f_s = 200 \text{ kS/s}$					
	20 Hz to 22.4 kHz Bandwidth		20 Hz to 100 kHz Bandwidth			20 Hz to 500 kHz Bandwidth
	$f_{out} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{out} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 10 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{out} = 1 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{out} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 20 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{out} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 90.6 \text{ kHz}$	$f_{out} = 20 \text{ Hz to } 90.6 \text{ kHz}$
0	-108	-107	-108	-107	-106	-93
10	-108	-107	-108	-107	-106	-93
20	-106	-105	-106	-105	-105	-93
30	-103	-100	-99	-98	-98	-87

\* -1 dBFS output amplitude

**Table 9.** AO THD+N, Pseudodifferential

Attenuation (dB)	THD+N (dBc), 25 °C ±5 °C*					
	20 Hz to 22.4 kHz Bandwidth		20 Hz to 100 kHz Bandwidth			20 Hz to 500 kHz Bandwidth
	$f_{out} = 1$ kHz	$f_{out} = 20$ Hz to 20 kHz	$f_{out} = 1$ kHz	$f_{out} = 20$ Hz to 20 kHz	$f_{out} = 20$ Hz to 90.6 kHz	$f_{out} = 20$ Hz to 90.6 kHz
0	-107	-107	-107	-107	-104	-92
10	-106	-106	-106	-106	-106	-90
20	-105	-105	-100	-100	-100	-90
30	-98	-85	-90	-90	-90	-77

\* -1 dBFS output amplitude

**AO Intermodulation Distortion (IMD)**

IMD <sup>[10],[11]</sup>	-106 dBc
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**Crosstalk, Output-to-Output Channel Separation**

All attenuation settings	
1 kHz signal	-135 dBc
90.6 kHz signal	-110 dBc

## Crosstalk, Output-to-Input Channel Separation

AI Gain (dB)	Channel Crosstalk (dBc)	
	$f_{out} = 1 \text{ kHz}$ Signal	$f_{out} = 90.6 \text{ kHz}$
All	-140	-100

## Pure Tone Sine Generator Characteristics

Frequency range	10 Hz to 22 kHz
Frequency resolution	<1 mHz
Settling time	90 cycles + 1 ms

## Pure Tone Spurious Free Dynamic Range (SFDR) with Harmonics

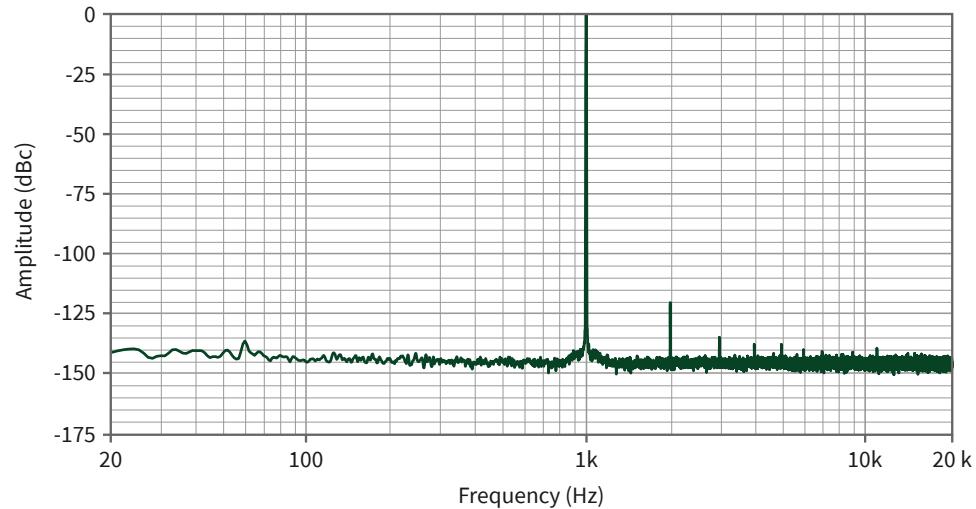
SFDR	
6.3 V RMS	130 dB
2.0 V RMS	130 dB
0.63 V RMS	130 dB
0.2 V RMS	120 dB

## Pure Tone Representative Performance FFTs

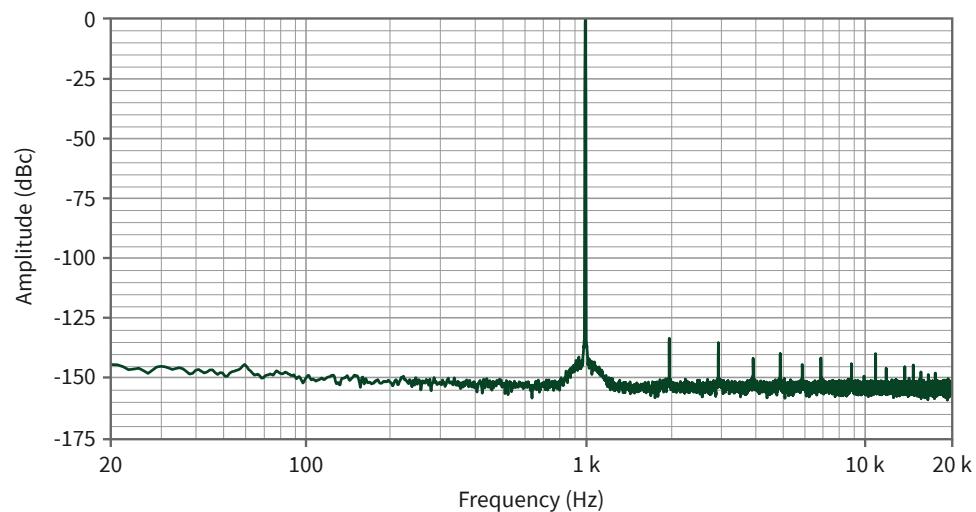
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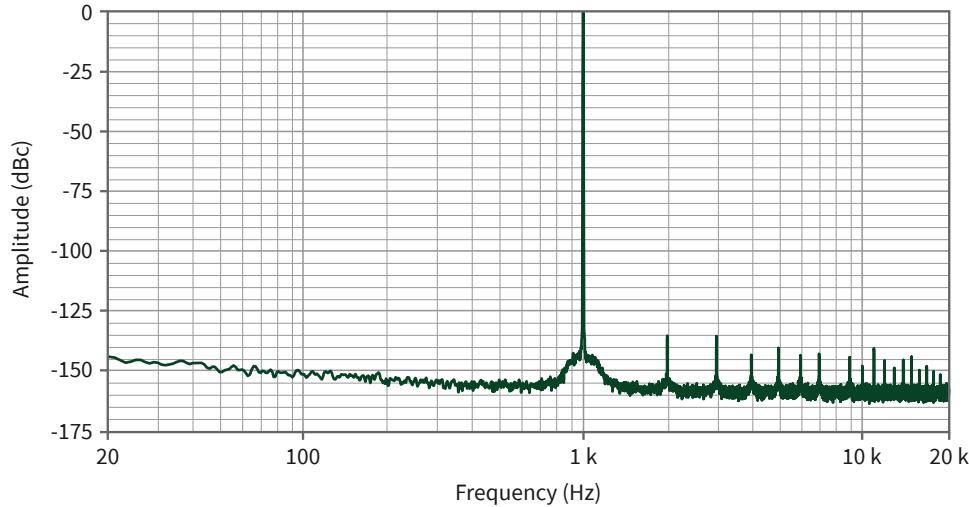
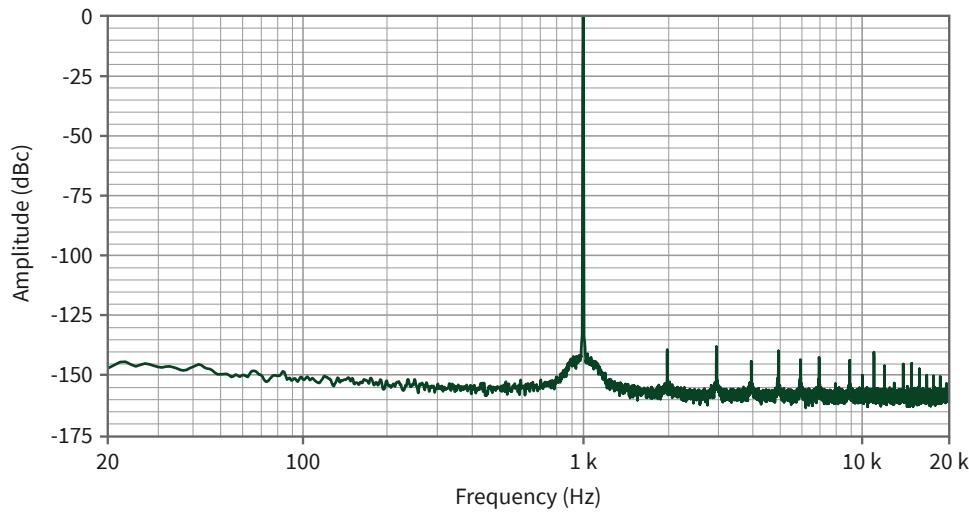
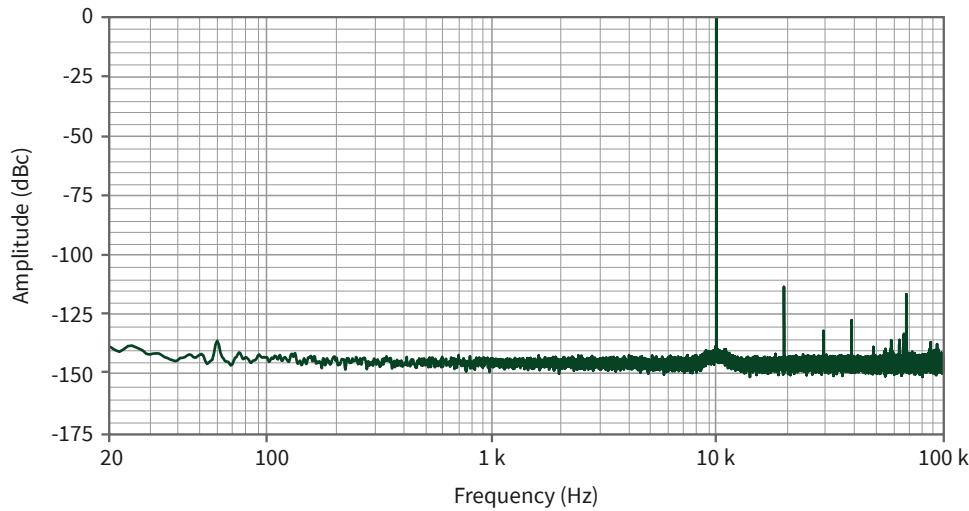
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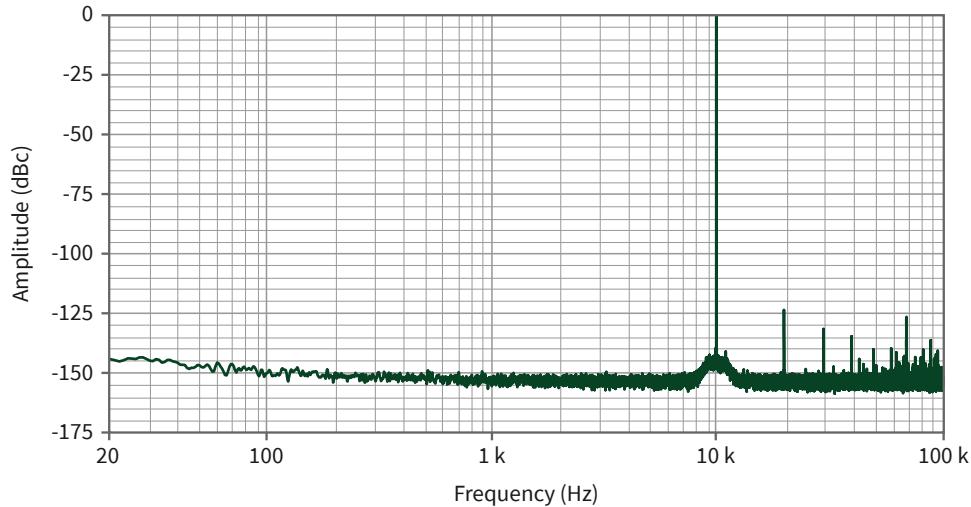
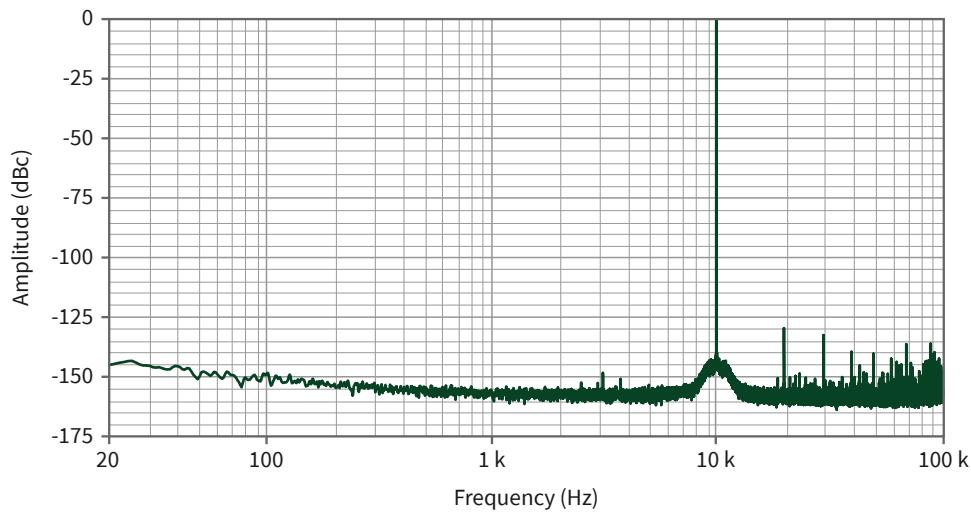
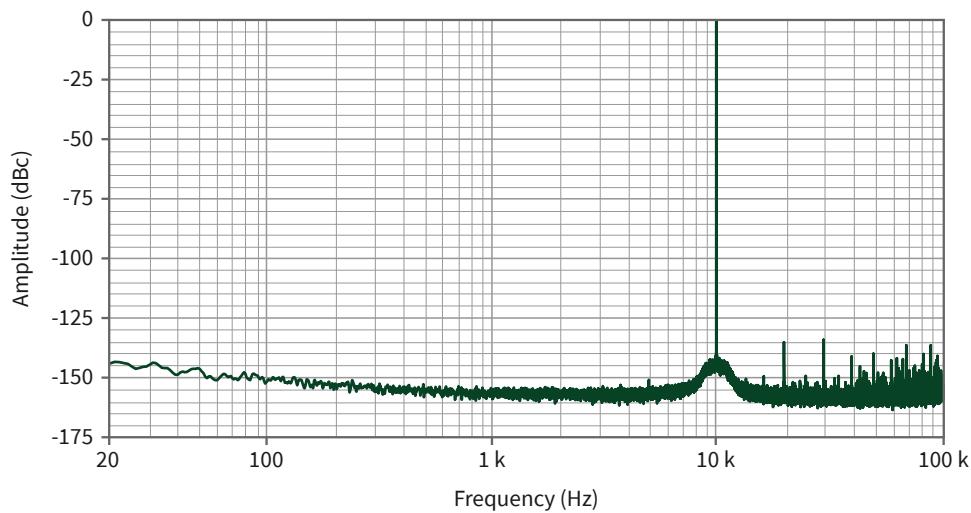
**Figure 27.** FFT 1 kHz, 0.2 V RMS



**Figure 28.** FFT 1 kHz, 0.63 V RMS



**Figure 29.** FFT 1 kHz, 2 V RMS**Figure 30.** FFT 1 kHz, 6.3 V RMS**Figure 31.** FFT 10 kHz, 0.2 V RMS

**Figure 32.** FFT 10 kHz, 0.63 V RMS**Figure 33.** FFT 10 kHz, 2 V RMS**Figure 34.** FFT 10 kHz, 6.3 V RMS

## Pure Tone Total Harmonic Distortion (THD)

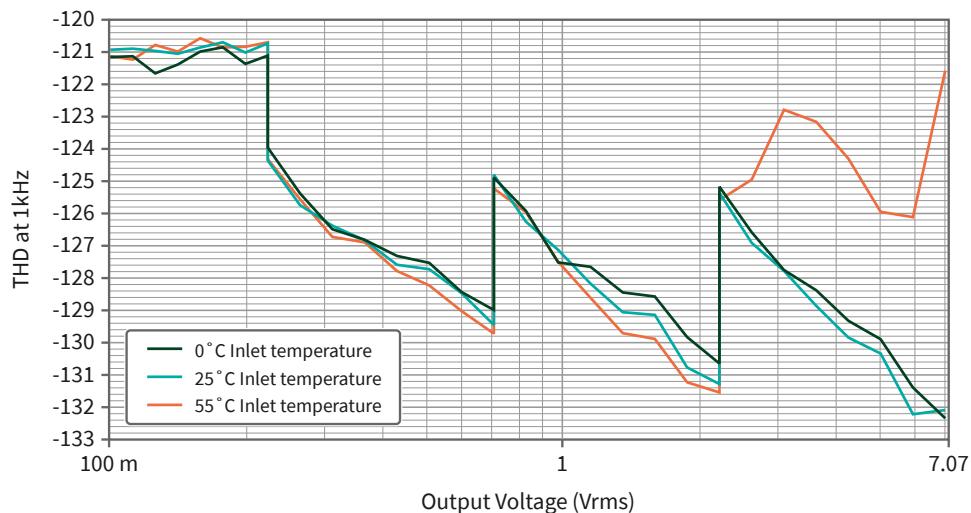
V <sub>out</sub>	THD (dBc) <sup>*,†</sup>		
	<i>f<sub>out</sub></i> = 1 kHz	<i>f<sub>out</sub></i> = 10 Hz to 22 kHz	
		10 Hz to 22.4 kHz Bandwidth	10 Hz to 100 kHz Bandwidth
6.3 V RMS	-129	-125	-120
2 V RMS	-128	-124	-120
0.63 V RMS	-125	-121	-116
0.2 V RMS	-120	-112	-110

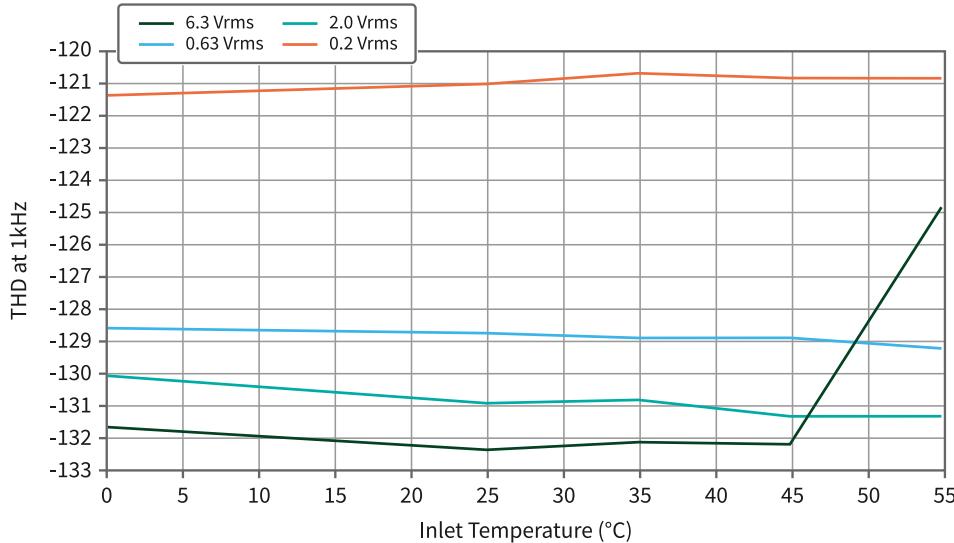
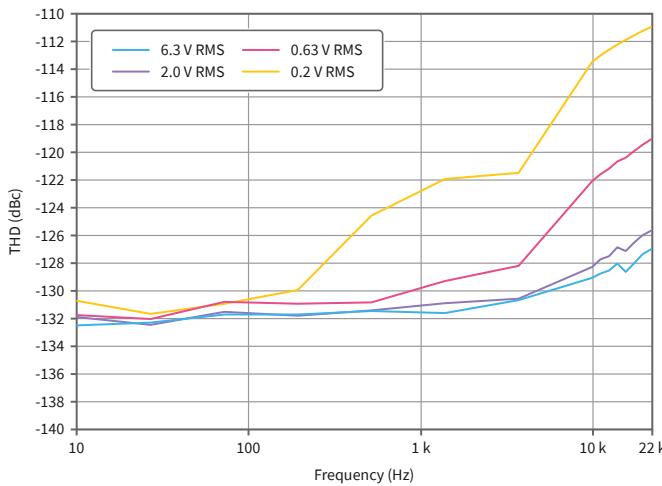
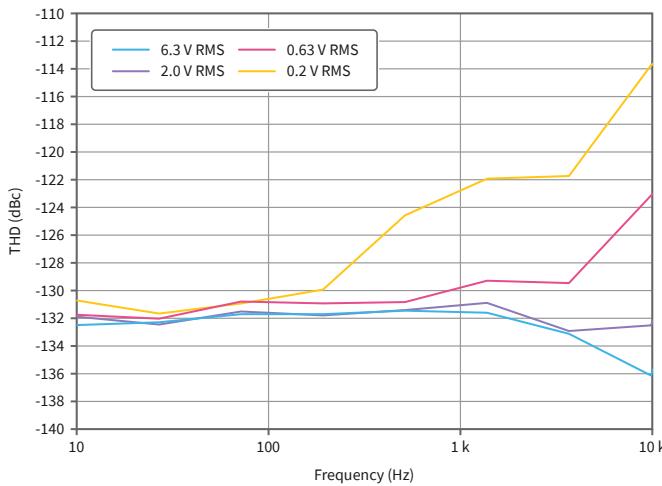
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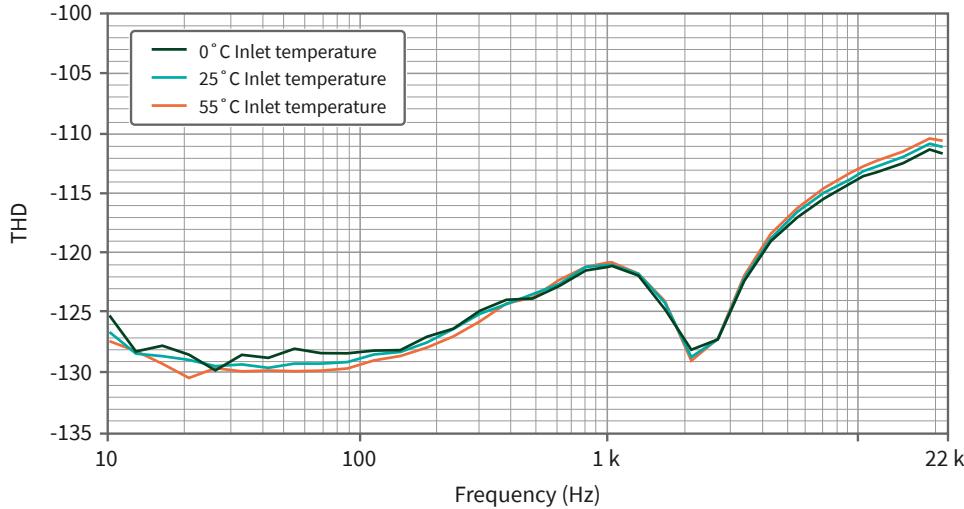
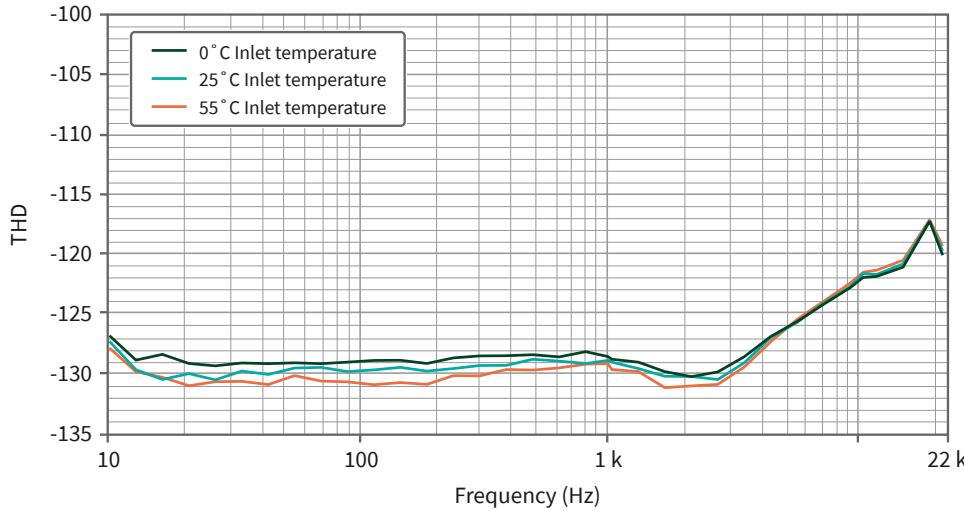
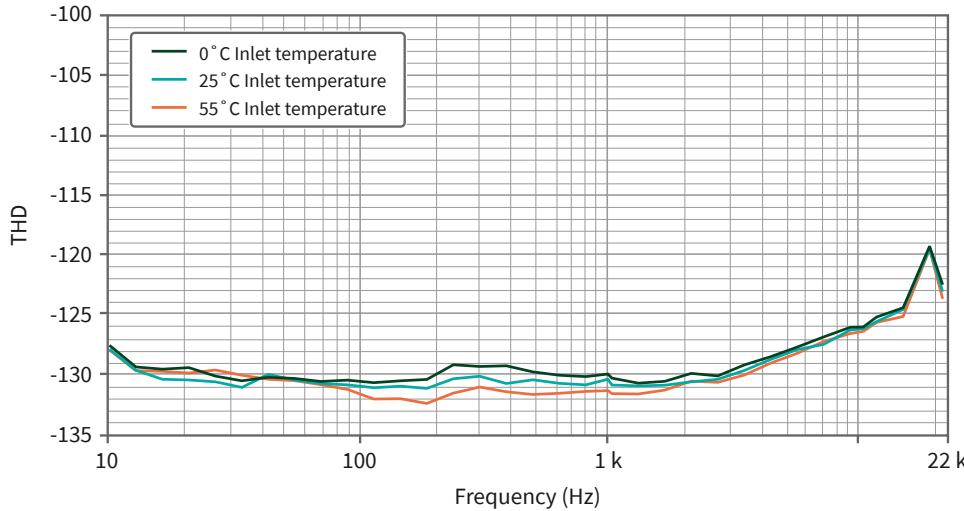
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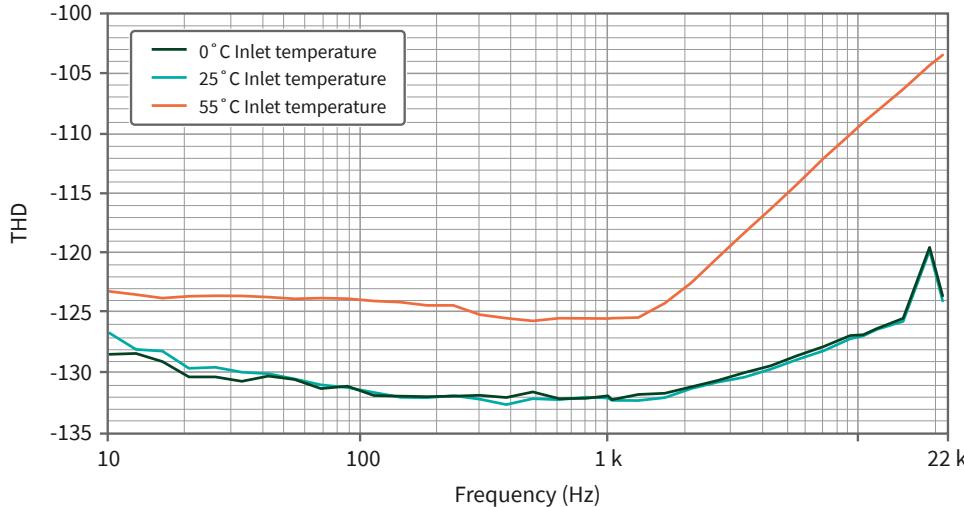
## Pure Tone THD Performance

**Figure 35.** THD of 1 kHz Tone Amplitude Sweep



**Figure 36.** THD of 1 kHz Tone Temperature Sweep**Figure 37.** THD over 100 kHz bandwidth**Figure 38.** THD over 22.4 kHz bandwidth

**Figure 39.** Pure Tone Sine Generator THD vs Frequency and Temperature 0.2 V RMS**Figure 40.** Pure Tone Sine Generator THD vs Frequency and Temperature 0.63 V RMS**Figure 41.** Pure Tone Sine Generator THD vs Frequency and Temperature 2.0 V RMS

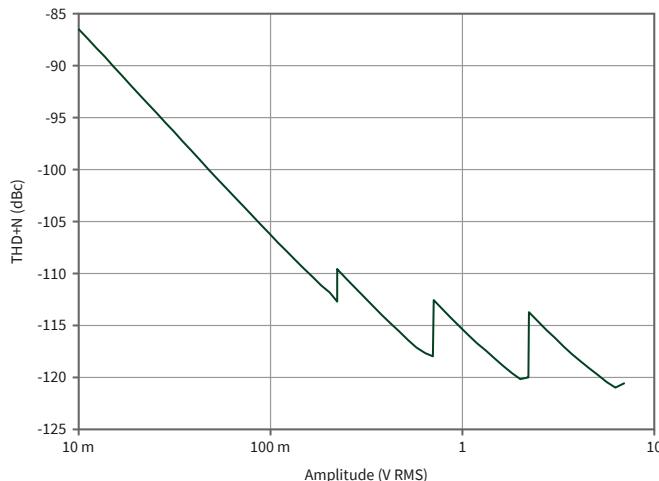
**Figure 42.** Pure Tone Sine Generator THD vs Frequency and Temperature 6.3 V RMS

### Pure Tone Total Harmonic Distortion (THD) plus Noise

V out	THD+N <sup>*</sup>			
	f <sub>out</sub> = 1 kHz		f <sub>out</sub> = 10 Hz to 22 kHz	
	10 Hz to 22.4 kHz Bandwidth	10 Hz to 100 kHz Bandwidth	10 Hz to 22.4 kHz Bandwidth	10 Hz to 100 kHz Bandwidth
10 V peak ≥ V out > 3.16 V peak	-129 dBc + 4.6 µV RMS	-129 dBc + 11 µV RMS	-125 dBc + 4.6 µV RMS	-120 dBc + 11 µV RMS
3.16 V peak ≥ V out > 1 V peak	-128 dBc + 1.7 µV RMS	-128 dBc + 4.0 µV RMS	-124 dBc + 1.7 µV RMS	-120 dBc + 4.0 µV RMS
1 V peak ≥ V out > 0.316 V peak	-125 dBc + 0.8 µV RMS	-125 dBc + 2.0 µV RMS	-121 dBc + 0.8 µV RMS	-116 dBc + 2.0 µV RMS
0.316 V peak ≥ V out	-120 dBc + 0.6 µV RMS	-120 dBc + 1.5 µV RMS	-112 dBc + 0.6 µV RMS	-110 dBc + 1.5 µV RMS

## Pure Tone THD+N Performance

**Figure 43.** THD+N of 1 kHz Tone Amplitude Sweep



## Transducer Electronic Data Sheet (TEDS) Support

Supports Transducer Electronic Data Sheet (TEDS) according to the IEEE 1451 Standard	Class I, all module inputs
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**Note** For more information about TEDs, go to [ni.com/info](http://ni.com/info) and enter the Info Code rdtds.

Maximum load capacitance	10,000 pF
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## Frequency Timebase Characteristics

Accuracy	
Using internal VCXO timebase	
$T_{cal}$ <sup>[12]</sup> $\pm 5$ °C <sup>[13]</sup>	±27 ppm maximum/warranted

Over full operating temperature range	$\pm 100$ ppm maximum/warranted
Using external timebase	Equal to accuracy of external timebase

## Triggers

<b>Analog trigger</b>	
Purpose	Reference trigger only
Source	Any channel
Level	Full scale, programmable
Mode	Rising-edge or falling-edge with hysteresis, entering or leaving window
Resolution	24 bits
<b>Digital trigger</b>	
Purpose	Start or reference trigger
Source	PFI0, PXI_Trig<0..7>, PXI_Star, PXIe_DStar<A..B>
Polarity	Rising or falling edge, software-selectable
Minimum pulse width	100 ns for PXI_Trig<0..7>, 20 ns for others

## Output Timing Signals

Sources	Start Trigger Out, Reference Trigger Out, Sync Pulse Out
Destinations	PFI0, PXI_Trig<0..7>, PXIe_DStarC
Polarity	Software-selectable except for Sync Pulse Out (always active low)

## PFI 0 (Front Panel Digital Trigger)

<b>Input</b>	
Logic compatibility	3.3 V or 5 V
Input range	0 V to 5.5 V
V <sub>IL</sub>	0.95 V maximum/warranted
V <sub>IH</sub>	2.4 V minimum
Input impedance	10 kΩ
Overvoltage protection	±10 V peak
<b>Output</b>	
Output range	0 V to 3.45 V

$V_{OL}$	0.33 V maximum/warranted at 5 mA
$V_{OH}$	2.8 V minimum at 5 mA
Output impedance	50 $\Omega$
Output current	$\pm 5$ mA maximum/warranted

## General Specifications

This section lists general specification information for the PXIe-4468.

### Bus Interface

Form factor	x1 PXI Express peripheral module, Specification rev 1.0 compliant
Slot compatibility	x1 and x4 PXI Express or PXI Express hybrid slots
DMA channels	2, analog input; 2, analog output

### Timing and Synchronization

Number of timing engines <sup>[14]</sup>	4
Reference clock source	Onboard clock, backplane PXIe_CLK100
<b>Intermodule ADC, DAC clock skew<sup>[15]</sup></b>	

T <sub>tb</sub> ±5 °C	23 ns maximum/warranted <sup>[16]</sup>
Over full operating temperature range	30 ns maximum/warranted

## Power Requirements

+3.3 V	+3.0 A, maximum, maximum/warranted
+12 V	+2.0 A, maximum, maximum/warranted

## Physical

Dimensions (not including connectors)	16 cm x 10 cm (6.3 in. x 3.9 in.) 3U CompactPCI slot
Analog input/output connector	BNC female or Mini-XLR male
Digital trigger connector (PFI 0)	SMB male
Front-panel LEDs	2 (Access, Active), 4 (Active, per channel—<AI 0..1> and <AO 0..1>)
Weight	360 g (12.7 oz)
Measurement Category	[17]



**Caution** Do not use the PXIe-4468 for connections to signals or for measurements within Categories II, III, or IV.



**Caution** The protection provided by the PXIe-4468 can be impaired if it is used in a manner not described in this document.



**Caution** Clean the hardware with a soft, nonmetallic brush. Make sure that the hardware is completely dry and free from contaminants before returning it to service.

## Environmental Characteristics

Temperature	
Operating	0 °C to 55 °C
Storage	-40 °C to 71 °C
Humidity	
Operating	10 to 90%, noncondensing
Storage	5% to 95%, noncondensing
Pollution Degree	2
Maximum altitude	2,000 m (at 25 °C ambient temperature)
Shock and Vibration	
Operating vibration	5 Hz to 500 Hz, 0.3 g RMS

Non-operating vibration	5 Hz to 500 Hz, 2.4 g RMS
Operating shock	30 g, half-sine, 11 ms pulse

## Calibration

External calibration interval	2 years
Warm-up time	15 minutes