

EVM User's Guide: HS-COMPARATOR-EVM

High Speed Comparator Evaluation Module

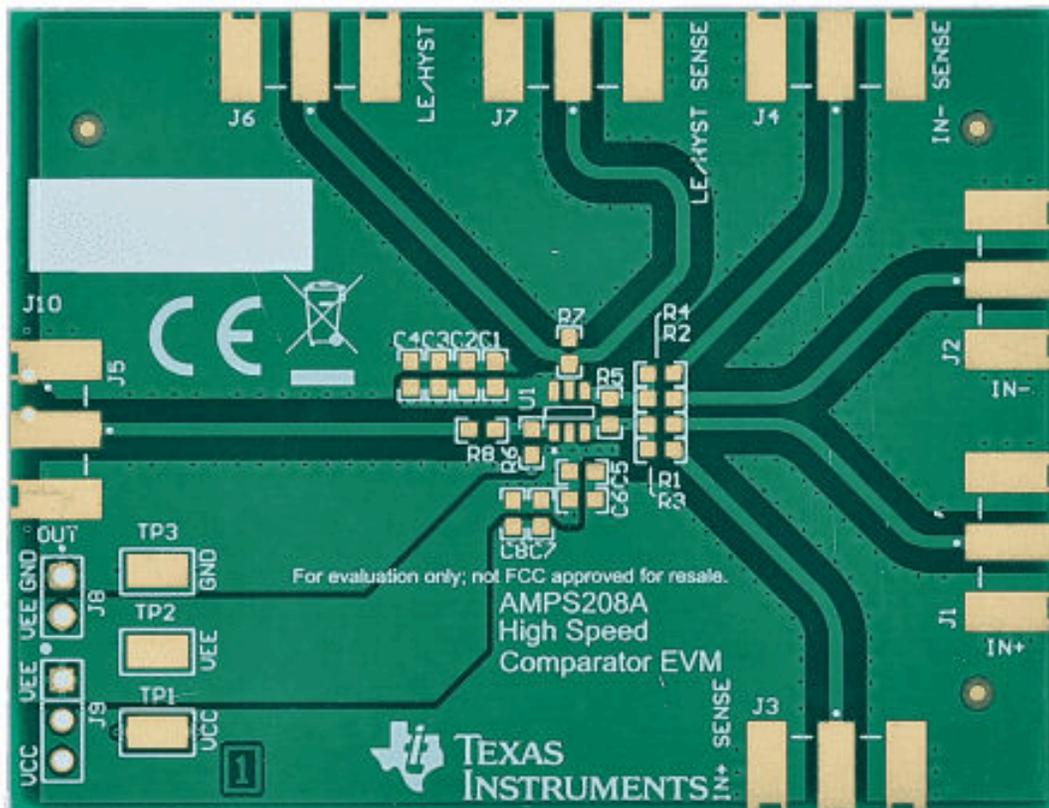


Description

The HS-COMPARATOR-EVM is an evaluation board designed to evaluate high speed single comparators in the 5-pin and 6-pin SOT-23 (DBV) packages, such as the TLV3601 and TLV1H103. The board has layout options intended to simply evaluate timing performance with different measurement tools. The output allows for direct connection to a 50Ω terminated oscilloscope.

Features

- Low propagation delay
- Low overdrive dispersion
- High toggle frequency
- Single ended push pull output
- 5-pin and 6-pin SOT-23 packages



HS-COMPARATOR-EVM Board (Top View)

1 Evaluation Module Overview

1.1 Introduction

This user's guide describes the functionality and set up procedure of HS-COMPARATOR-EVM, which is designed to evaluate the performance of any high-speed comparators in the 5-pin and 6-pin SOT-23 packages. Information such as the contents of the kit, specifications of the device, and recommended equipment for the set up is also included.

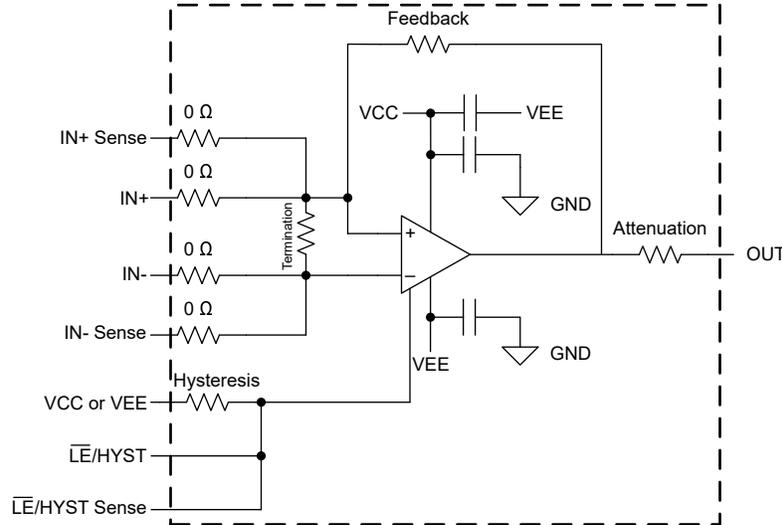


Figure 1-1. HS-COMPARATOR-EVM Block Diagram

1.2 Kit Contents

The kit comes with the following:

- 1 x HS-COMPARATOR-EVM

1.3 Specification

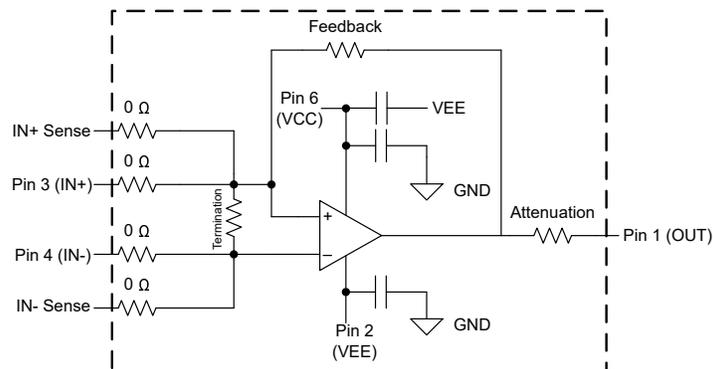


Figure 1-2. EVM Pin Assignments for Evaluating 5-pin Devices

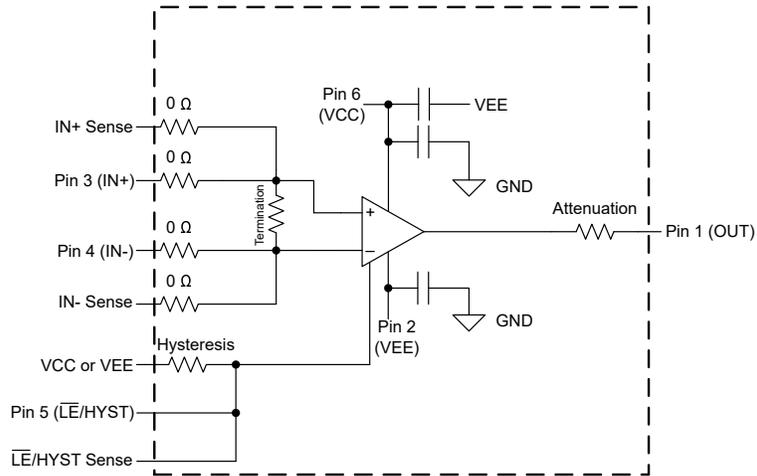


Figure 1-3. EVM Pin Assignments for Evaluating 6-pin Devices

1.4 Device Information

The following device is used in this evaluation module:

- TLV1H103

2 Hardware

2.1 Recommended Equipment Setup

- Power supply
- High speed functional generator with fast rise and fall time recommended (≤ 500 ps)
- High speed oscilloscope with 50Ω terminations
- SMA cables and adapters
 - Make sure to have matched cable lengths for IN+ SENSE, IN- SENSE, OUT

2.2 Board Setup

2.2.1 Power Supplies

Connect VCC to TP1 and connect VEE to TP2. If using single supply configuration, short both pins of J8 together to connect GND and VEE. If dual supply configuration is used, leave J8 pins unconnected and make the VCC and VEE connections previously mentioned, in addition to a GND connection to TP3.

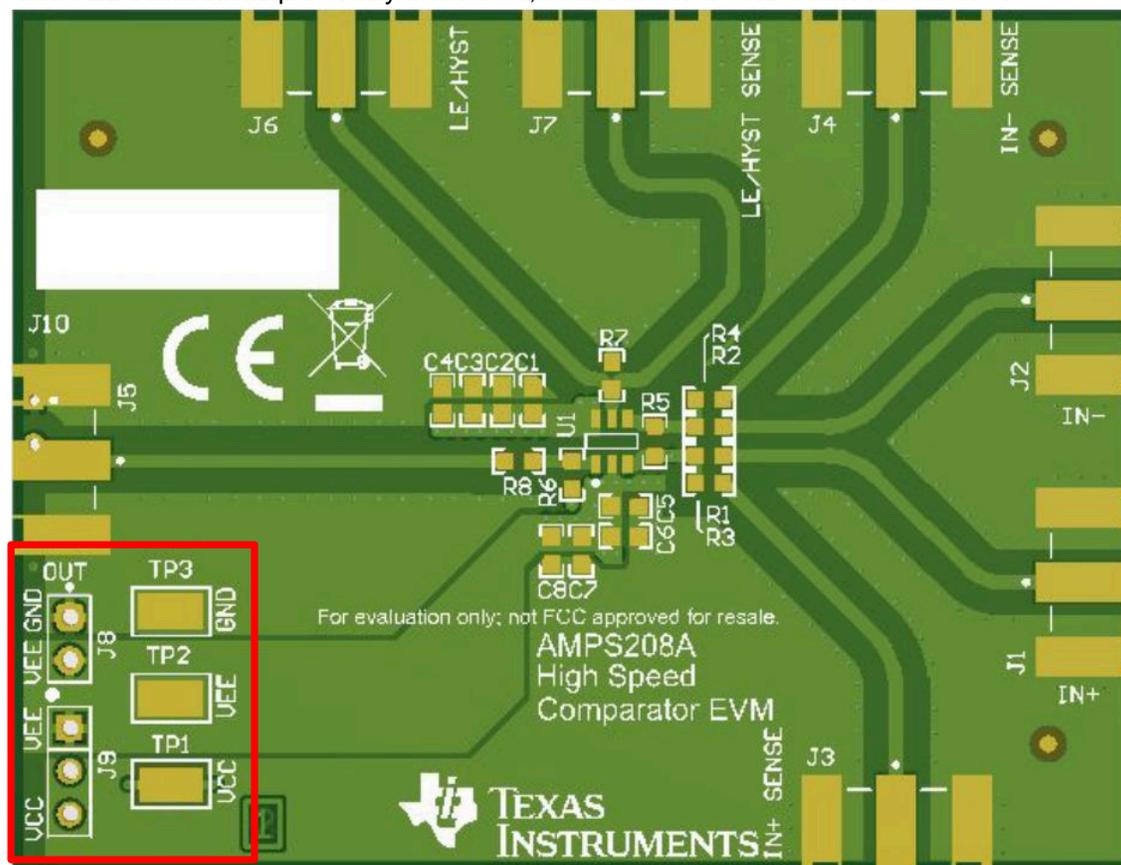


Figure 2-1. Power Supplies Connection

2.2.2 Inputs

Resistors R1, R2, R3, and R4 are all 0Ω resistor components. The input terminals (IN+ and IN-) have corresponding sense lines so that the inputs to the device can be terminated on the lines with 50Ω to an oscilloscope. This allows the input signals to be observed with minimal loading and distortion. All input connections are through SMA connectors. If the input signal to the device does not need to be evaluated on an oscilloscope, then R3 and R4 can be left uninstalled. However, the input signal can need to be terminated if the 50Ω setting of the oscilloscope is not connected.

There is an optional resistor pad on the input (R5) side of the device meant for termination of the input signal. R5 can be populated with a 100Ω resistor if applying an unterminated LVDS signal to the board. Alternatively, R5 can be populated with a 50Ω resistor if applying a function generator output that needs a 50Ω termination. One of the inputs can be GND and the board is operating in split supply in this situation. Otherwise the pad can be left unpopulated.

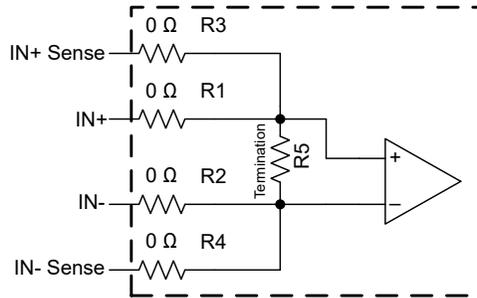


Figure 2-2. Input Side Block Diagram

2.2.3 Outputs

R8 is known as the attenuation resistor, and is used to attenuate the output by setting the top half of a voltage divider circuit, with the bottom half supplied by the load, such as an internal termination of the oscilloscope. TI does not recommend to populate with a low value resistor as the output of the comparator is not able to drive such a load as the amount of current sourced is significant. A 1kΩ resistor is recommended for this footprint which, coupled with an internal 50Ω termination of the scope creates an attenuation factor of 1:21 which can be rectified using oscilloscope settings. A high speed probe can be used for measurement of the output, but rise and fall times can be limited.

Two types of output connections are supplied depending on the needed configuration. J5, an SMA connector, can be populated or J10, a two-pin jumper, can be populated if using an active probe. If measuring the output and input (via input sense connections J3 and J4), TI recommends to use length matched cables on the output and sense lines to minimize distortion issues.

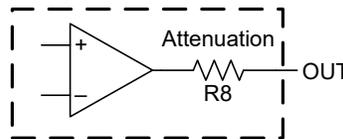


Figure 2-3. Output Side Block Diagram

2.2.4 Hysteresis

The HS-COMPARATOR-EVM is able to support both external hysteresis and devices with an integrated hysteresis pin.

External hysteresis can be applied through external component R6, a feedback resistor, and R1, a series resistor for IN+. Necessary calculations for the hysteresis window must be made to figure out the value of both resistors.

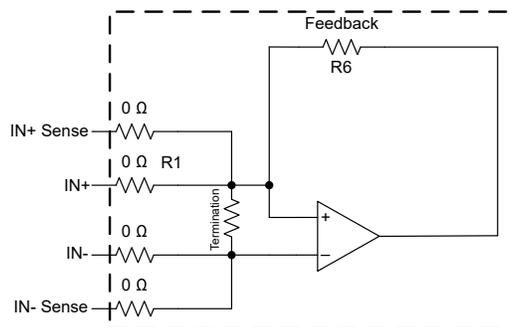


Figure 2-4. External Hysteresis Schematic

For devices such as the TLV1H103 that utilizes a hysteresis pin called $\overline{\text{LE}}/\text{HYST}$, the internal hysteresis can be adjusted through the attachment of an external resistor (R7) connecting to VEE.

Alternatively, the pin also functions as an inverting Latch Enable. If the pin is connected to VEE, then the device holds the output state for as long as the pin remains connected to that voltage. If the pin is connected to VCC, then the device functions normally with no hysteresis. Connections for VCC and VEE are supplied through J9 with R7 being populated with a 0 Ω resistor. However, if necessary to control when the device latches, then a pulsing signal can be applied to SMA connector J6, with SMA connector J7 being the corresponding sense line for that input.

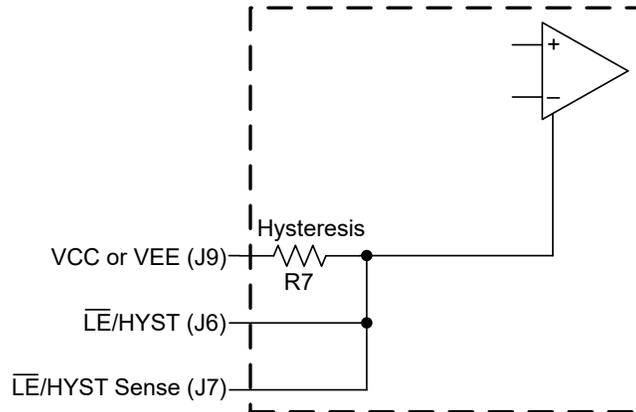


Figure 2-5. $\overline{\text{LE}}/\text{HYST}$ Block Diagram

2.3 Quick-Start Procedure using TLV1H103

Note

Do not turn on power supply until all connections to the device are made to the board.

The following connections are made using a split supply configuration. Split supply configuration is advantageous for measurement purposes. The reference voltage can be set to GND, while the other input can be set to an AC waveform that toggles between negative and positive voltage at a 0 DC offset. Thus, the output is toggling whenever the AC waveform toggles.

This configuration allows for two distinct advantages compared to a single supply input. The first advantage is that the reference voltage is at GND; a non-noisy voltage level. If the reference voltage level needs to be changed in relation to the supplies, then the supply voltages can be altered instead. The second advantage being able to zoom into the input as much as possible due to the 0 DC offset of the waveform.

1. Set power supply positive terminal to 2.5V and negative terminal to -2.5V. Disable power supply output
2. Connect positive terminal supply to TP1, negative terminal to TP2, and GND to TP3.
3. Populate R7 with 0Ω resistor and connect $\overline{LE}/HYST$ to positive terminal through JP with jumper.
4. Make sure that the cables connecting to IN+SENSE and OUT are matched length and impedance. Perform any deskewing if necessary
5. Set the function generator to produce a square wave output with 100mVpp at 1MHz, with a DC offset of 0V. Disable the signal generator output. Connect the output to IN+.
6. Connect IN- to GND through an SMA 50Ω termination barrel.
7. Connect OUT to a 50Ω terminated scope channel.
8. Connect IN+SENSE to a 50Ω terminated scope channel.
9. Enable the power supply and the signal generator.
10. Verify the supply current is < 60mA.
11. Monitor and verify the input from IN+SENSE.
12. Monitor and verify OUT.

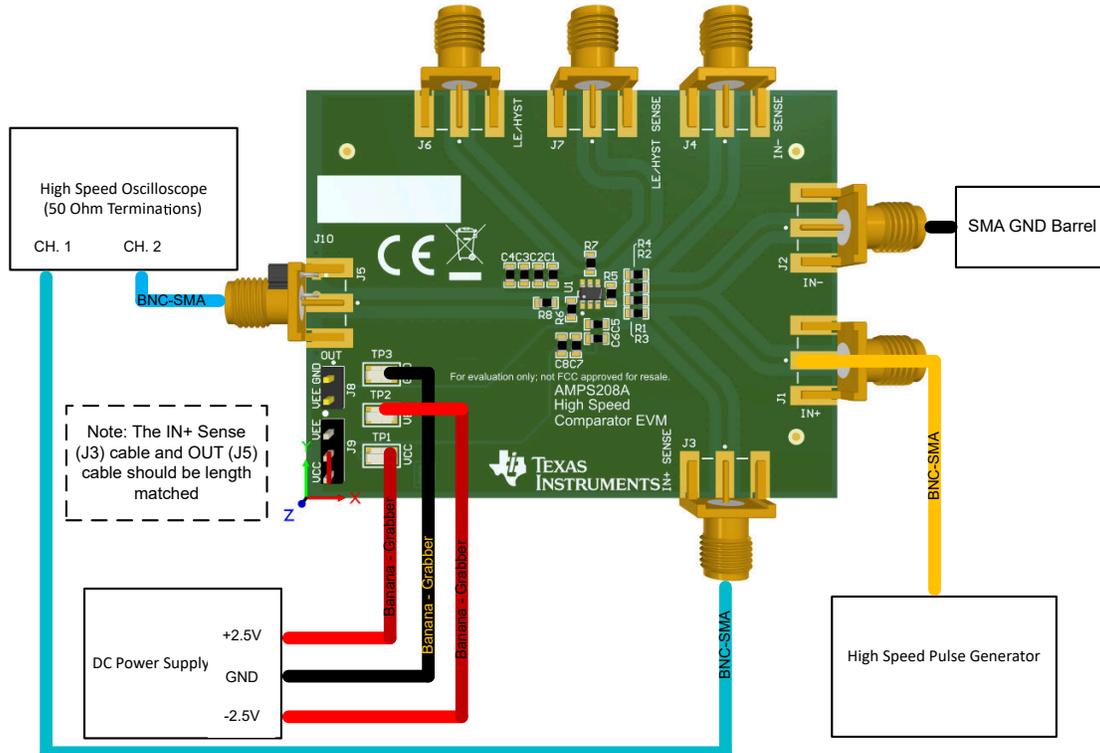


Figure 2-6. HS-COMPARATOR-EVM Quick Start Setup Using TLV1H103

Next, is a scope shot capture of the inputs and outputs described in the quick-start procedure. Here, the propagation delay between IN+ and OUT is measured by taking the time delta between when IN+ and OUT reach 50% of the respective transitions.

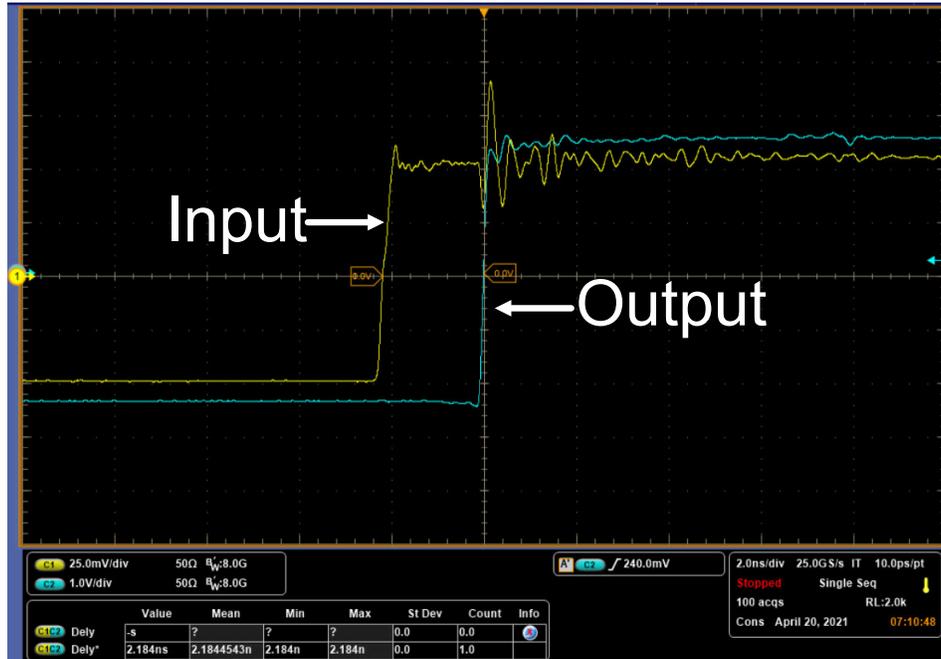


Figure 2-7. Propagation Delay Low to High

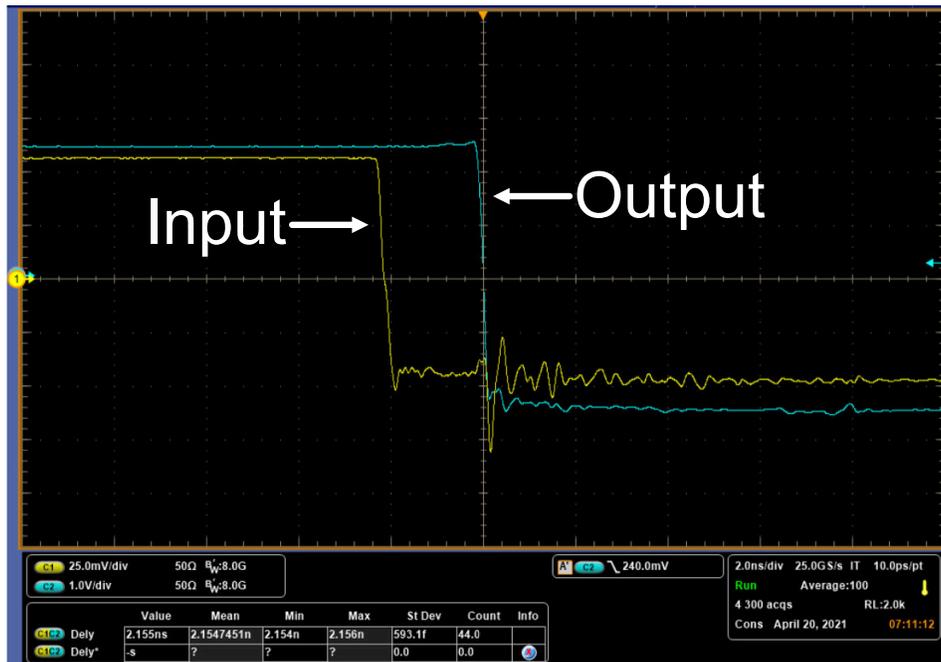


Figure 2-8. Propagation Delay High to Low

3 Hardware Design Files

3.1 Schematic

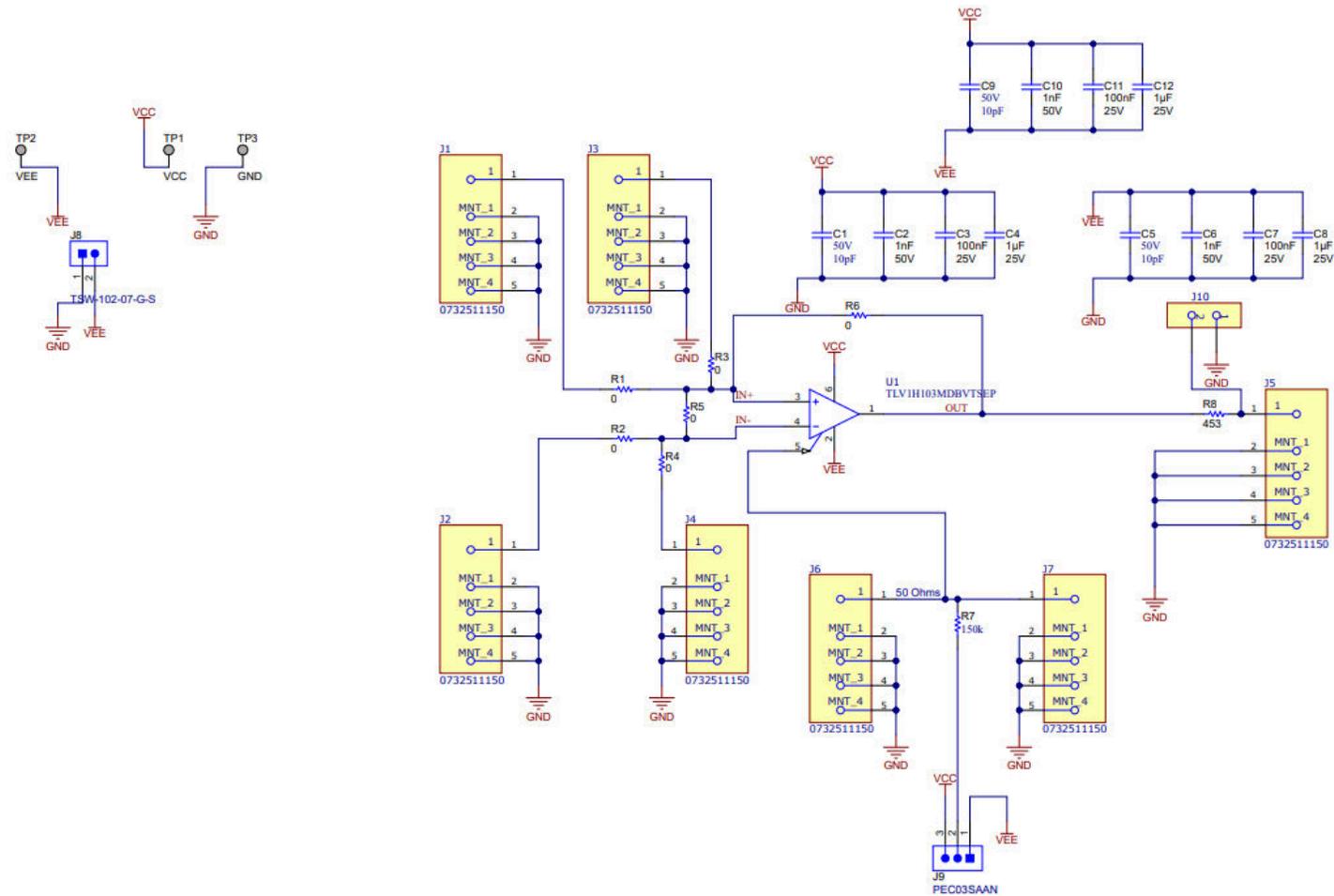


Figure 3-1. HS-COMPARATOR-EVM Schematic

3.2 PCB Layouts

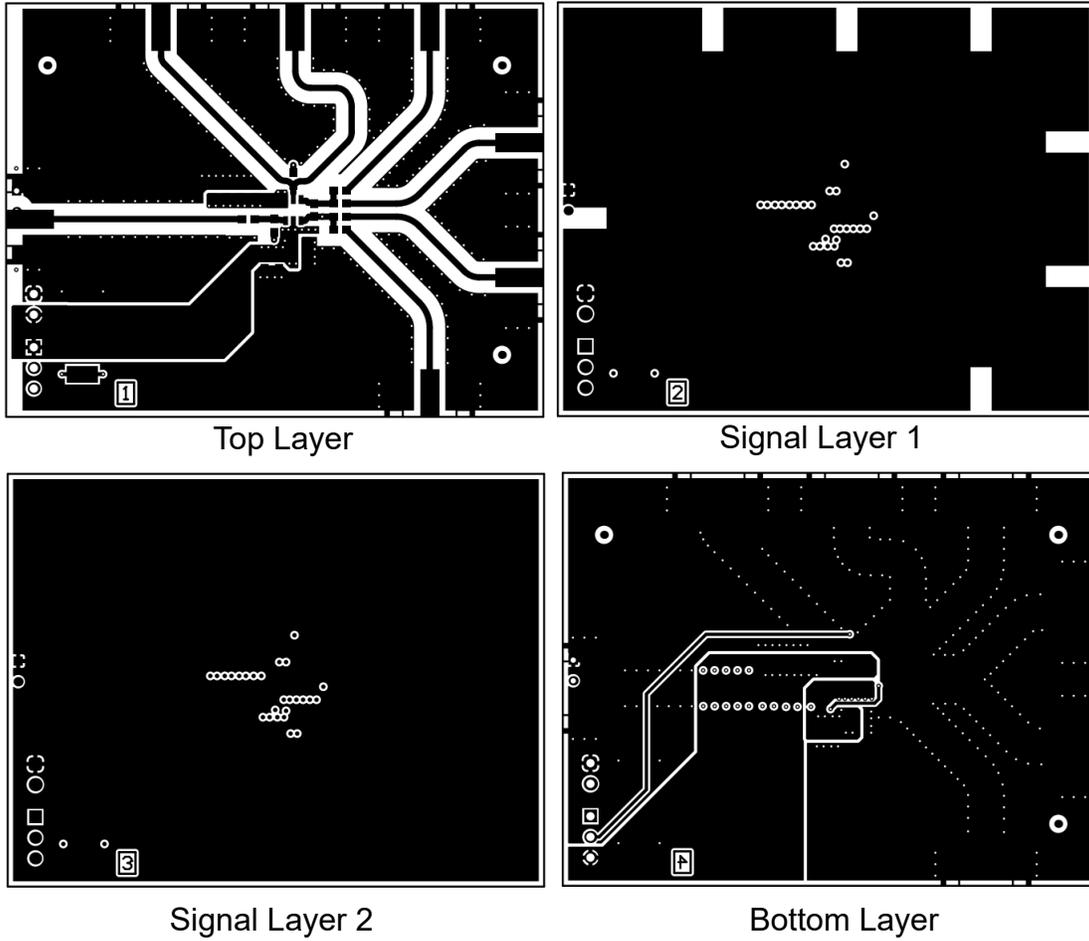


Figure 3-2. Layers

3.3 Bill of Materials

Table 3-1. HS-COMPARATOR-EVM Bill of Materials

Designator	QTY	Value	Description	Package Reference	Part Number	Manufacturer
C1, C5, C9	0	10pF	CAP, CERM, 10pF, 50V, +/- 5%, C0G/NP0, AEC-Q200 Grade 1, 0603	0603	CGA3E2C0G1H100D080AA	TDK
C2, C6, C10	0	1000pF	CAP, CERM, 1000pF, 50V, +/- 5%, X7R, 0603	0603	CL10C102JB8NNNC	Samsung Electro-Mechanics
C3, C7, C11	0	0.1uF	CAP, CERM, 0.1uF, 25V, +/- 5%, X7R, 0603	0603	C0603C104J3RACTU	Kemet
C4, C8, C12	0	1uF	CAP, CERM, 1uF, 25V, +/- 10%, X7R, 0603	0603	C0603C105K3RACTU	Kemet
FID1, FID2, FID3, FID4, FID5, FID6	0		Fiducial mark. There is nothing to buy or mount.	N/A	N/A	N/A
H1, H2, H3, H4	0		Bumpon, Hemisphere, 0.44 X 0.20, Clear	Transparent Bumpon	SJ-5303 (CLEAR)	3M
J1, J2, J3, J4, J5, J6, J7	0		SMA Connector Receptacle, Female Socket 50Ohm Board Edge, End Launch Solder		0732511150	Molex Inc
J8	0		Header, 100mil, 2x1, Gold, TH	2x1 Header	TSW-102-07-G-S	Samtec
J9	0		Header, 100mil, 3x1, Tin, TH	Header, 3 PIN, 100mil, Tin	PEC03SAAN	Sullins Connector Solutions
J10	0		STANDRD SOLDER TAIL SIP SOCKET; 02 Pins; Tin (matte) over Nickel	HDR2	399-43-102-10-003000	Mill-Max
R1, R2, R3, R4, R5, R6	0	0	RES, 0, 5%, 0.1 W, AEC-Q200 Grade 0, 0603	0603	CRCW06030000Z0EA	Vishay-Dale
R7	0	150k	RES, 150 k, 5%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	CRCW0603150KJNEA	Vishay-Dale
R8	0	1k	RES, 1 k, 1%, 0.1 W, 0603	0603	RC0603FR-071KL	Yageo America
TP1, TP2, TP3	0		Test Point, Miniature, SMT	Test Point, Miniature, SMT	5019	Keystone
U1	0		2.5ns High-Speed Comparator with Push Pull Output	SOT23-6	TLV1H103DBV	Texas Instruments

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