# LMP8645,LMP8645HV

LMP8645/LMP8645HV Precision High Voltage Current Sense Amplifier



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# **Precision High Voltage Current Sense Amplifier**

## **General Description**

The LMP8645 and the LMP8645HV are precision current sense amplifiers that detect small differential voltages across a sense resistor in the presence of high input common mode voltages with a supply voltage Range from 2.7V to 12V.

The LMP8645 accepts input signals with common mode voltage Range from -2V to 42V, while the LMP8645HV accepts input signal with common mode voltage Range from -2V to 76V. The LMP8645 and LMP8645HV have adjustable gain for applications where supply current and high common mode voltage are the determining factors. The gain is configured with a single resistor, providing a high level of flexibility, the accuracy could be as low as 2% (max) including the gain setting resistor. The output is buffered in order to provide low output impedance. This high side current sense amplifier is ideal for sensing and monitoring currents in DC or battery powered systems, excellent AC and DC specifications over temperature, and keeps errors in the current sense loop to a minimum. The LMP8645 is an ideal choice for industrial, automotive and consumer applications, and it is available in TSOT-6 package.

## **Features**

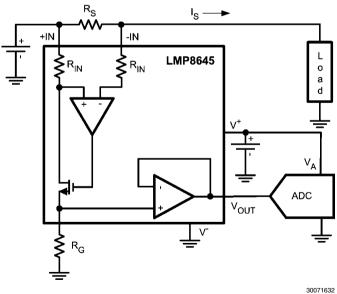
Typical values,  $T_{A} = 25^{\circ}C$ 

High common-mode voltage Range	
— LMP8645	-2V to 42V
— LMP8645HV	-2V to 76V
<ul> <li>Supply voltage Range</li> </ul>	2.7V to 12V
<ul> <li>Gain configurable with a single resist</li> </ul>	or
<ul> <li>Max variable gain accuracy (with external</li> </ul>	ernal resistor) 2.0%
<ul> <li>Transconductance</li> </ul>	200 µA/V
<ul> <li>Low offset voltage</li> </ul>	1 mV
Input bias	12 µA
■ PSRR	90 dB
■ CMRR	95 dB
Temperature Range	-40°C to 125°C
6-Pin TSOT Package	
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## **Applications**

- High-side current sense
- Vehicle current measurement
- Motor controls
- Battery monitoring
- Remote sensing
- Power management

## **Typical Application**



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## Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 1)

If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the National Semiconductor Sales Office/ Distributors for availability and specifications.

ESD Tolerance ( <i>Note 2</i> )				
Human Body Model				
For input pins +IN, -IN	±5000V			
For all other pins	±2000V			
Machine Model	200V			
Charge device model	1250V			
Supply Voltage ( $V_S = V^+ - V^-$ )	13.2V			
Differential voltage +IN- (-IN)	6V			
Voltage at pins +IN, -IN				
LMP8645HV	-6V to 80V			

LMP8645-6V to 60VVoltage at R<sub>G</sub> pin13.2VVoltage at OUT pinV- to V+Storage Temperature Range-65°C to 150°CJunction Temperature (*Note 3*)150°CFor soldering specifications,<br/>see product folder at www.national.com and<br/>www.national.com/ms/MS/MS-SOLDERING.pdf

## **Operating Ratings** (Note 1)

Supply Voltage (V <sub>S</sub> = V <sup>+</sup> - V <sup>-</sup> )	2.7V to 12V
Temperature Range ( <i>Note 3</i> )	-40°C to 125°C
Package Thermal Resistance(Note 3)	
TSOT-6	96°C/W

## 2.7V Electrical Characteristics (Note 4)

Unless otherwise specified, all limits guaranteed for at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C,  $V_S = V^+ - V^-$ ,  $V^+ = 2.7$ V,  $V^- = 0$ V,  $-2V < V_{CM} < 76$ V,  $R_G = 25$ k $\Omega$ ,  $R_L = 10$  M $\Omega$ . **Boldface** limits apply at the temperature extremes.

Symbol Parameter		Condition		Typ ( <i>Note 5</i> )	Max ( <i>Note 6</i> )	Units	
V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V	-1 -1.7		1 1.7	mV	
TCV <sub>OS</sub> Input Offset Voltage Drift V( (Note 7, Note 9)		V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V			7	µV/°C	
I <sub>B</sub>	Input Bias Current (Note 10)	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		12	20	μA	
e <sub>ni</sub>	Input Voltage Noise (Note 9)	f > 10 kHz, R <sub>G</sub> = 5 kΩ		120		nV/√Hz	
V <sub>SENSE(MAX)</sub>	Max Input Sense Voltage (Note 9)	$V_{CM} = 12V, R_G = 5 k\Omega$		600		mV	
Gain A <sub>V</sub>	Adjustable Gain Setting (Note 9)				100	V/V	
Gm	Transconductance	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		200		μA/V	
	Accuracy	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V	-2 -3.4		2 <b>3.4</b>	%	
	Gm drift ( <i>Note 9</i> )	–40°C to 125°C, V <sub>CM</sub> =2.1V			140	ppm /°C	
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection Ratio	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V, 2.7V < V <sup>+</sup> < 12V	90			dB	
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection Ratio	LMP8645HV 2.1V < V <sub>CM</sub> < 76V LMP8645 2.1V < V <sub>CM</sub> < 42V	95			dB	
		-2V <v<sub>CM &lt; 2V</v<sub>	60			1	
BW	-3 dB Bandwidth ( <i>Note 9</i> )	$R_G = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$ ,, $C_G = 4 \text{ pF V}_{SENSE} = 400 \text{ mV}$ , $C_L = 30 \text{ pF}$ , $R_L = 1M\Omega$		990			
		$R_G = 25 \text{ k}\Omega, C_G = 4 \text{ pF}, V_{SENSE} = 200 \text{ mV},$ $C_L = 30 \text{ pF}, R_L = 1M\Omega$		260		kHz	
		$\label{eq:Rg} \begin{split} &Rg = 50 \mathrm{k}\Omega,  C_{G} = 4 \; pF,  V_{SENSE} = 100 \; mV, \\ &C_{L} = 30 \; pF,  R_{L} = 1 \mathrm{M}\Omega \end{split}$		135			
SRSlew Rate (Note 8, Note 9)VVVS		$V_{CM} = 5V, C_G = 4 \text{ pF}, V_{SENSE} \text{ from } 25 \text{ mV}$ to 175 mV, $C_L = 30 \text{ pF}, R_L = 1M\Omega$		0.5		V/µs	
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply Current	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		380	525 <b>710</b>	uA	
		$V_{CM} = -2V$		2000	2500 <b>2700</b>	u/\	
V <sub>OUT</sub>	Maximum Output Voltage	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V, Rg= 500 kΩ	1.2			V	
	Minimum Output Voltage	$V_{CM} = 2.1V$			20	mV	

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min ( <i>Note 6</i> )	Typ ( <i>Note 5</i> )	Max ( <i>Note 6</i> )	Units
I <sub>OUT</sub>	I <sub>OUT</sub> Output current ( <i>Note 9</i> ) Sourcing, V <sub>OUT</sub> = 600mV, Rg = 150kΩ			5		m۸
		Sinking, $V_{OUT}$ = 600mV, Rg = 150k $\Omega$		5		mA
C <sub>LOAD</sub>	Max Output Capacitance Load ( <i>Note 9</i> )			30		pF

## 5V Electrical Characteristics (Note 4)

Unless otherwise specified, all limits guaranteed for at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C,  $V_S = V^+ - V^-$ ,  $V^+ = 5$ V,  $V^- = 0$ V, -2V <  $V_{CM} < 76$ V,  $R_g = 25$ k $\Omega$ ,  $R_L = 10 M\Omega$ . **Boldface** limits apply at the temperature extremes.

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min ( <i>Note 6</i> )	<b>Typ</b> ( <i>Note 5</i> )	Max ( <i>Note 6</i> )	Units
V <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V	-1 -1.7		1 <b>1.7</b>	mV
TCV <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage Drift ( <i>Note 7, Note 9</i> )	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V			7	µV/°C
Ι <sub>Β</sub>	Input Bias Current (Note 10)	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		12.5	22	μA
e <sub>ni</sub>	Input Voltage Noise (Note 9)	f > 10 kHz, R <sub>G</sub> = 5 kΩ		120		nV/√Hz
V <sub>SENSE(MAX)</sub>	Max Input Sense Voltage (Note 9)	Note 9) $V_{CM} = 12V, R_G = 5 k\Omega$		600		mV
Gain A <sub>v</sub>	Adjustable Gain Setting (Note 9)				100	V/V
Gm	Transconductance	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		200		μA/V
	Accuracy	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V	-2 -3.4		2 <b>3.4</b>	%
	Gm drift ( <i>Note 9</i> )	-40°C to 125°C, V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V			140	ppm /°C
PSRR	PSRR Power Supply Rejection Ratio V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V, , 2.7V < V <sup>+</sup> < 12V		90			dB
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection Ratio	LMP8645HV 2.1V <v<sub>CM &lt; 76V LMP8645 2.1V <v<sub>CM&lt; 42V</v<sub></v<sub>	95			dB
		-2V < V <sub>CM</sub> < 2V	60			
BW	-3 dB Bandwidth ( <i>Note 9</i> )	$R_G$ = 10 kΩ, C <sub>G</sub> = 4 pF V <sub>SENSE</sub> = 400 mV, C <sub>L</sub> = 30 pF, R <sub>L</sub> = 1MΩ		850		
		$R_G$ = 25 kΩ, C <sub>G</sub> = 4 pF, V <sub>SENSE</sub> = 300 mV, C <sub>L</sub> = 30 pF, R <sub>L</sub> = 1MΩ		260		kHz
		$R_G$ = 50 kΩ, $C_G$ = 4 pF, $V_{SENSE}$ = 300mV, $C_L$ = 30 pF, $R_L$ = 1MΩ		140		
SR	Slew Rate (Note 8, Note 9)	$V_{CM} = 5V, C_G = 4 \text{ pF}, V_{SENSE} \text{ from 100 mV}$ to 500 mV, $C_L = 30 \text{ pF}, R_L = 1M\Omega$		0.5		V/µs
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply Current	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		450	610 <b>780</b>	uA
		$V_{CM} = -2V$		2100	2800 <b>3030</b>	uA
V <sub>OUT</sub>	Maximum Output Voltage	V <sub>CM</sub> =5V, Rg= 500 kΩ	3.3			V
	Minimum Output Voltage	V <sub>CM</sub> =2.1V			22	mV
I <sub>OUT</sub>	Output current (Note 9)	Sourcing, $V_{OUT}$ = 1.65V, Rg= 150k $\Omega$		5		
		Sinking, $V_{OUT}$ = 1.65V, Rg= 150k $\Omega$		5		mA
C <sub>LOAD</sub>	Max Output Capacitance Load ( <i>Note 9</i> )			30		pF

## 12V Electrical Characteristics (Note 4)

Unless otherwise specified, all limits guaranteed for at  $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C,  $V_S = V^+$ -V<sup>-</sup>,  $V^+ = 12$ V,  $V^- = 0$ V,  $-2V < V_{CM} < 76$ V,  $R_g = 25$ k $\Omega$ ,  $R_L = 10$  M $\Omega$ . **Boldface** limits apply at the temperature extremes.

Symbol	Parameter	Condition	Min ( <i>Note 6</i> )	Typ ( <i>Note 5</i> )	Max ( <i>Note 6</i> )	Units
V <sub>OS</sub>			-1 -1.7		1 1.7	mV
TCV <sub>OS</sub>	Input Offset Voltage Drift ( <i>Note 7, Note 9</i> )				7	µV/°C
I <sub>B</sub>	Input Bias Current (Note 10)	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		13	23	μA
e <sub>ni</sub>	Input Voltage Noise (Note 9)	f > 10 kHz, R <sub>G</sub> = 5 kΩ		120		nV/√Hz
V <sub>SENSE(MAX)</sub>	Max Input Sense Voltage (Note 9)	$V_{CM}$ =12V, $R_{G}$ = 5 k $\Omega$		600		mV
Gain A <sub>V</sub>	Adjustable Gain Setting (Note 9)	/ <sub>CM</sub> = 12V			100	V/V
Gm	Transconductance	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		200		μA/V
	Accuracy	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V	-2 -3.4		2 <b>3.4</b>	%
	Gm drift ( <i>Note 9</i> )	–40°C to 125°C, V <sub>CM</sub> =2.1V			140	ppm /°C
PSRR	Power Supply Rejection Ratio	V <sub>CM</sub> =2.1V, 2.7V <v<sup>+ &lt; 12V</v<sup>	90			dB
CMRR	Common Mode Rejection Ratio	LMP8645HV 2.1V <v<sub>CM &lt; 76V LMP8645 2.1V <v<sub>CM&lt; 42V</v<sub></v<sub>	95			dB
		-2V <v<sub>CM &lt; 2V</v<sub>	60			
BW	-3 dB Bandwidth ( <i>Note 9</i> )	$R_G = 10 \text{ k}\Omega, C_G = 4 \text{ pF } V_{SENSE} = 400 \text{ mV},$ $C_L = 30 \text{ pF}, R_L = 1M\Omega$		860		
		$R_G = 25 \text{ k}\Omega, C_G = 4 \text{ pF}, V_{SENSE} = 400 \text{ mV},$ $C_L = 30 \text{ pF}, R_L = 1M\Omega$		260		kHz
		$R_G = 50$ kΩ, $C_G = 4$ pF, $V_{SENSE} = 400$ mV, $C_L = 30$ pF, $R_L = 1MΩ$		140		
SR	Slew Rate (Note 8, Note 9)	$V_{CM} = 5V, C_G = 4 \text{ pF}, V_{SENSE} \text{ from 100 mV}$ to 500 mV, $C_L = 30 \text{ pF}, R_L = 1M\Omega$		0.6		V/µs
I <sub>S</sub>	Supply Current	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V		555	765 <b>920</b>	uA
		$V_{CM} = -2V$		2200	2900 <b>3110</b>	uA
V <sub>OUT</sub>	Maximum Output Voltage	$V_{CM} = 12V, R_G = 500k\Omega$	10.2			V
	Minimum Output Voltage	V <sub>CM</sub> = 2.1V			24	mV
I <sub>OUT</sub>	Output current (Note 9)	Sourcing, $V_{OUT}$ = 5.25V, Rg= 150k $\Omega$		5		mA
		Sinking, $V_{OUT}$ = 5.25V, Rg= 150k $\Omega$		5		
C <sub>LOAD</sub>	Max Output Capacitance Load ( <i>Note 9</i> )			30		pF

Note 1: Absolute Maximum Ratings indicate limits beyond which damage to the device may occur. Operating Ratings indicate conditions for which the device is intended to be functional, but specific performance is not guaranteed. For guaranteed specifications and the test conditions, see the Electrical Characteristics Tables.

Note 2: Human Body Model, applicable std. MIL-STD-883, Method 3015.7. Machine Model, applicable std. JESD22-A115-A (ESD MM std. of JEDEC) Field-Induced Charge-Device Model, applicable std. JESD22-C101-C (ESD FICDM std. of JEDEC).

**Note 3:** The maximum power dissipation must be derated at elevated temperatures and is dictated by  $T_{J(MAX)}$ ,  $\theta_{JA}$ , and the ambient temperature,  $T_A$ . The maximum allowable power dissipation  $P_{DMAX} = (T_{J(MAX)} - T_A) / \theta_{JA}$  or the number given in Absolute Maximum Ratings, whichever is lower.

**Note 4:** Electrical Table values apply only for factory testing conditions at the temperature indicated. Factory testing conditions result in very limited self-heating of the device such that  $T_J = T_A$ . No guarantee of parametric performance is indicated in the electrical tables under conditions of internal self-heating where  $T_J > T_A$ .

Note 5: Typical values represent the most likely parametric norm at the time of characterization. Actual typical values may vary over time and will also depend on the application and configuration. The typical values are not tested and are not guaranteed on shipped production material.

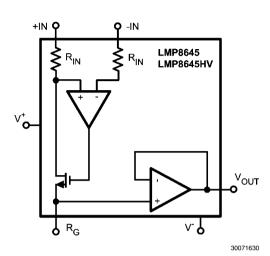
Note 6: All limits are guaranteed by testing, design, or statistical analysis.

Note 7: Offset voltage temperature drift is determined by dividing the change in V<sub>OS</sub> at the temperature extremes by the total temperature change.

Note 8: The number specified is the average of rising and falling slew rates and measured at 90% to 10%.

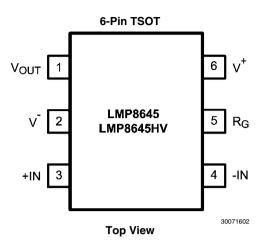
**Note 9:** This parameter is guaranteed by design and/or characterization and is not tested in production. **Note 10:** Positive Bias Current corresponds to current flowing into the device.

## **Block Diagram**



# LMP8645/LMP8645HV

# **Connection Diagram**



# **Pin Descriptions**

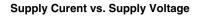
Pin	Name	Description
1	V <sub>OUT</sub>	Single Ended Output
2	V-	Negative Supply Voltage
3	+IN	Positive Input
4	-IN	Negative Input
5	R <sub>G</sub>	External Gain Resistor
6	V+	Positive Supply Voltage

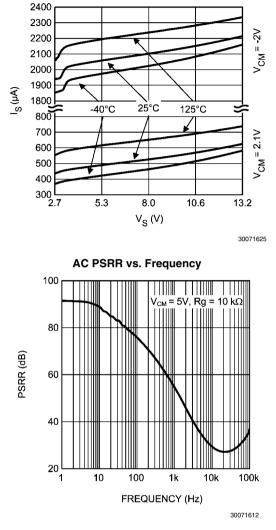
# **Ordering Information**

Package	Part Number	Package Marking	Transport Media	NSC Drawing	
	LMP8645MK		1k Units Tape and Reel		
6-Pin TSOT	LMP8645MKE	AJ6A	250 Units Tape and Reel		
	LMP8645MKX		3k Units Tape and Reel	MK06A	
	LMP8645HVMK		1k Units Tape and Reel	IVINUOA	
	LMP8645HVMKE	AK6A	250 Units Tape and Reel	əl	
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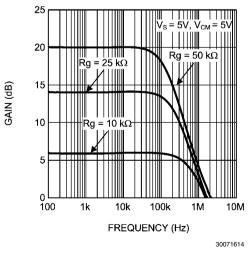
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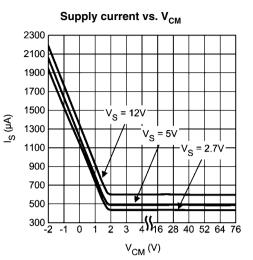






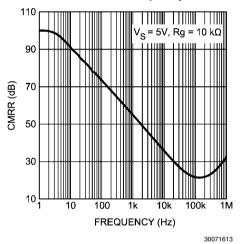
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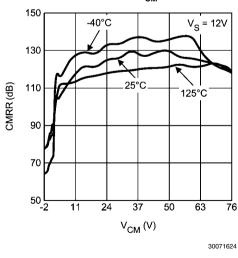


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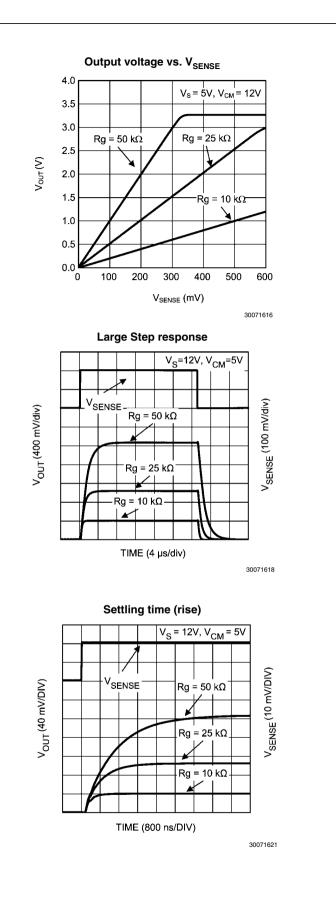
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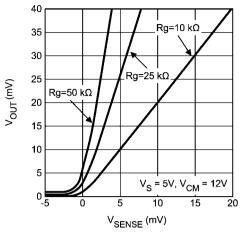




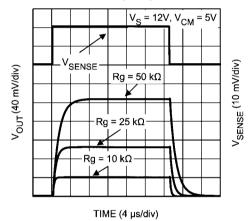


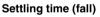


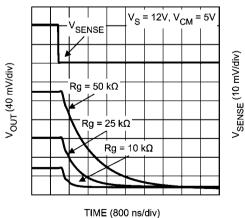


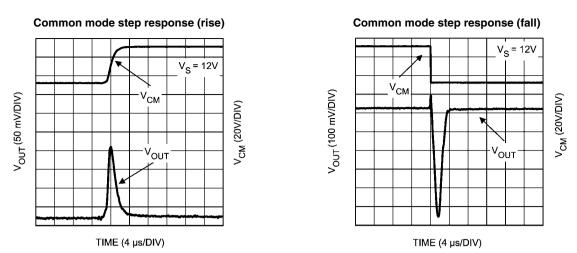


**Small Step response** 









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## **Application Information**

#### GENERAL

The LMP8645 and LMP8645HV are single supply high side current sense amplifiers with variable gain selected through an external resistor and a common mode voltage Range of -2V to 42V or -2V to 76V depending on the grade.

The sense voltage is amplified by a user-selected gain and level shifted from the positive power supply to a ground-referred output.

#### **THEORY OF OPERATION**

As seen from the picture below, the current flowing through  $R_{\rm S}$  develops a voltage drop equal to  $V_{\rm SENSE}$  across  $R_{\rm S}.$  The high impedance inputs of the amplifier doesn't conduct this current and the high open loop gain of the sense amplifier forces its non-inverting input to the same voltage as the inverting input. In this way the voltage drop across  $R_{\rm IN}$  matches  $V_{\rm SENSE}.$  A current proportional to  $I_{\rm S}$  according to the following relation:

$$I_{S}' = V_{SENSE}/R_{IN} = R_{S}*I_{S}/R_{IN}$$
, where  $R_{IN} = 1/Gm$ 

flows entirely in the external gain resistor developing a voltage drop equal to

 $V_G = I_S' * R_{GAIN} = (V_{SENSE}/R_{IN}) * R_{GAIN} = ((R_S * I_S)/R_{IN}) * R_{GAIN}$ This voltage is buffered and showed at the output with a very low impedance allowing a very easy interface of the LMP8645 with other ICs (ADC,  $\mu$ C...).

 $V_{OUT} = (R_S I_S) G$ , where  $G = R_{GAIN} R_{IN}$ 

## SELECTION OF THE SHUNT RESISTOR

#### The accuracy of the current measurement strictly depends on the value of the shunt resistor $R_s$ . Its value depends on the application and it is a compromise between small-signal accuracy and maximum permissible voltage loss in the measurement section. High values of $R_s$ provide better accuracy at lower currents by minimizing the effects of offset, while low values of $R_s$ minimize voltage loss in the supply section. For most applications, best performance is obtained with an $R_s$

value that provides a full-scale shunt voltage Range of 100 mV to 200 mV.

#### SELECTION OF THE GAIN RESISTOR

In the LMP8645 and LMP8645HV the gain is selected through an external resistor connected to the  $\rm R_G$  pin. Moreover the gain resistor  $\rm R_{GAIN}$  determines the voltage of the output buffer which is related to the supply voltage and to the common mode voltage of the input signal. The gain resistor must be chosen such that the max output voltage does not exceed the LMP8645 max output voltage rating for a given common mode voltage.

The following equations explain how to select the gain resistor for various Range of the input common mode voltage.

Range 1 
$$-2V < V_{CM} \le 1.8V$$

The max voltage at the RG pin is given by the following inequality  $V_{RG}=V_{sense}*R_{GAIN}$  \*Gm  $\leq$  min(1.3V; Vout\_max) where Vout\_max is the maximum allowable output voltage according to the Electrical Tables.All the gain resistors ( $R_{GAIN}$ ) which respect the previous inequality are allowed. The graphical representation in *Figure 2* helps in the selection; all the combinations ( $V_{SENSE}$ ,  $R_{GAIN}$ ) below the curve are allowed.

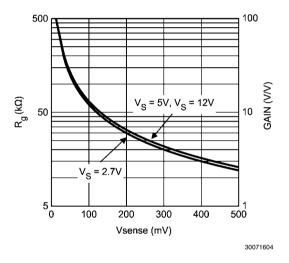


FIGURE 2. Allowed Gains for Range 1

As a consequence once selected the gain (R<sub>GAIN</sub>) the V<sub>SENSE</sub> Range is fixed too. For example if an application required a Gain of 10, R<sub>G</sub> will be 50 k $\Omega$  and V<sub>SENSE</sub> will be in the Range 10 mV to 100 mV.

Range 2 
$$1.8V < V_{CM} \le V_{S}$$

In this Range the max voltage at the  $R_G$  pin is related to the common mode voltage and  $V_{SENSE}$ . So all the  $R_{GAIN}$  resistors which respect the following inequalities are allowed:

$$V_{R_G} \le min (Vout_max; (V_{CM} - V_{sense}-250mV))$$
  
where

 $V_{RG} = V_{SENSE} * R_{GAIN} * Gm$  and Vout\_max is the maximum allowable output voltage according to the Electrical Tables.

The graphical representation in *Figure 3* helps in the selection; all the combinations ( $V_{SENSE}$ ,  $R_{GAIN}$ ) below the curves for given  $V_{CM}$  and supply voltage are allowed.

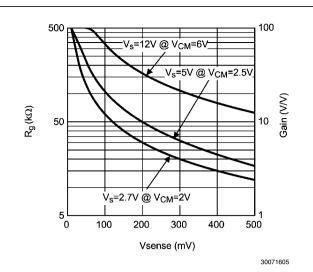


FIGURE 3. Allowed Gains for Range 2

Also in this Range once selected the  $\rm R_{GAIN}$  (Gain) the  $\rm V_{SENSE}$  Range is fixed too.

Range 3 
$$V_{CM} \ge V_{S}$$

The max voltage at the R<sub>G</sub> pin is Vout\_max, it means that  $V_{OUT} = V_{SENSE} * R_{GAIN}/R_{IN} \leq$  Vout\_max where Vout\_max is the maximum allowable output voltage according to the Electrical Tables.So all the R<sub>GAIN</sub> resistors which respect the previous inequality are allowed. The graphical representation in helps in the selection; all the combinations (V<sub>SENSE</sub>, R<sub>GAIN</sub>) below the curves are allowed.

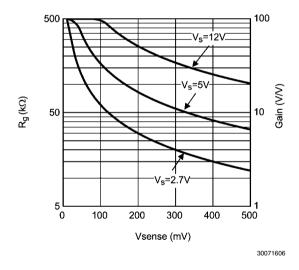


FIGURE 4. Allowed Gains for Range 3

Also in this Range once selected the  $\rm R_{GAIN}$  (Gain) the  $\rm V_{SENSE}$  Range is fixed too.

From the Ranges showed above a good way to maximize the output voltage swing of the LMP8645 is to select the max allowable Rgain according to the previous equations. For a

fixed supply voltage and Vsense as the common mode voltage increases, the max allowable Rgain increases too.

#### **DESIGN GUIDELINE**

#### Example 1

The LMP8645 is used to monitor the current supply of an active device (Refer to *Figure 5*). The LMP8645 is supplied at 5V the active device is supplied at 12V and the max current sunk is 1A. In this example the LMP8645 will work in all 3 Ranges: in Range 1 at the turning on of the active device, then in Range 3 passing through the Range 2. Since the purpose of the application is monitor the current of the active device in any operating state working condition (power on, normal operation, etc.), the gain resistor will be selected according to the Range 1, the Range which gives more constraints to the output dynamic voltage of the LMP8645.

At the startup of the monitored device the LMP8645 works at 0V common mode, it means that its max output is 1.3V (Range 1). In order to maximize the resolution the Rsense is calculated as max allowed Vsense (Refer to Figure 2) divided by max current (1A), so Rsesne=0.5Ω. Due to the output limitation the max allowed gain will be 2.6V/V so  $R_{GAIN}$ =13k $\Omega$ . With this approach the current is monitored at any working condition but without using the entire output dynamic of the LMP8645. Alternatively if the monitored device doesn't sink 1A at any supply voltage, it is possible to design considering the max output voltage of the LMP8645 when operating in Range 3 ( $V_{CM} \ge V_S$ ). Also in this case is possible to maximize the resolution using Rsesne= $0.5\Omega$ , and maximize the output dynamic with Rgain=33k $\Omega$ . With this approach the max detectable current when  $V_{CM}$  is less than 1,8V is about 400mA, while for  $V_{CM}$ =2.5V the max detectable current is 600mA (Refer to *Figure 2*) and for  $V_{CM} \ge V_S$  is 1A.

The second approach maximizes the output dynamic but implies some knowledge on the monitored current.

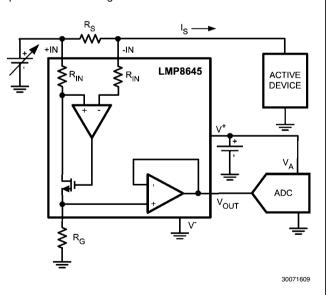


FIGURE 5. LMP8645 in current monitor application

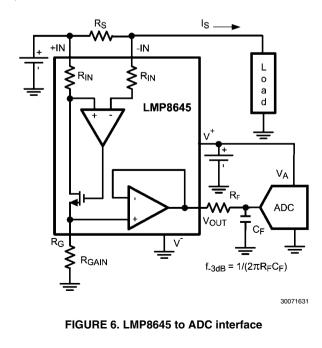
#### Example 2

The LMP8645 is used to monitor the current in a high brightness LED application together with LM340x LED drivers. The LMP8645 is supplied at 3.3V and the max voltage at LED's string is 30V, the LED brightness is controlled with the dimming (MOSFET in parallel to the LED). The approach of the high current sense is used especially in automotive application where the cathode of the LED needs to be directly connected to the chassis of the car (Ground of the system). Even though LMP8645 will work in all 3 Ranges as in the previous example, R<sub>GAIN</sub> will be calculated according to Range 3 because the purpose is regulating the current in the LEDs when the external MOSFET is OFF (LMP8645 at high  $V_{CM}$ ). Even if this approach makes the LMP8645 able to sense high peak current only in Range 3 where the dynamic output is higher than Range 1 the current resolution is maximized. At each switch ON/OFF of the MOSFET the LMP8645 goes from Range 1 (MOSFET ON, string of LED OFF), to Range 3 (MOSFET OFF, string of LED ON) passing through Range 2 (MOSFET OFF, string of LED OFF). Since the purpose of the application is to sense the current with high precision when the LED string is ON, the R<sub>GAIN</sub> will be calculated according to the Range 3.

To summarize, the  ${\sf R}_{\sf GAIN}$  will be calculated according to the range of operation in which the application will mainly work. Once selected the range, will be taken in account the more stringent constraint

#### **DRIVING ADC**

The input stage of an Analog to Digital converter can be modeled with a resistor and a capacitance versus ground. So if the voltage source doesn't have a low impedance an error in the amplitude's measurement will occur. In this Range a buffer is needed to drive the ADC. The LMP8645 has an internal output buffer able to drive a capacitance load up to 30 pF or the input stage of an ADC. If required an external low pass RC filter can be added at the output of the LMP8645 to reduce the noise and the bandwidth of the current sense. Any other filter solution which implies a capacitance connected to the  $R_{\rm G}$  pin is not suggested due to the high impedance of that pin.



#### SENSING CURRENT IN LED DRIVER APPLICATIONS

The LMP8645 is the right choice in the applications which reguires high side current sense, such as High Brightness LED for automotive where the LED's cathode has to be connected to the Range (ground) of the car. In this Range the classical low side current sense with a shunt resistor connected between the LED's cathode and the Range doesn't guarantee the ground connection. In Figure 7, the LMP8645 monitors the current for the LM3406 a constant current buck regulator. The LMP8645 is supplied by the internal LDO of the LM3406 thorough the pin VCC, the current which flows in the LED is programmed according the following formula:  $I_F = V_{CS}$ ( $R_s$ \*Gain), where Gain =  $R_{GAIN}$ \*Gm and  $V_{CS}$ =200 mV. In this application the current which flows in the HB LED is in the Range between 350 mA and 1A, so in order to reduce the power dissipation on the shunt resistor and have a good accuracy, the  $R_s$  should be in the Range between 50 m $\Omega$  and 200 m $\Omega$ . In the table below two examples are analyzed.

	I <sub>F</sub> =350mA	I <sub>F</sub> =1A
R <sub>GAIN</sub>	40kΩ	36kΩ
R <sub>S</sub>	77mΩ	27mΩ
<b>Dissipated Power</b>	9.5mW	27mW
Total Accuracy	≊5%	≊5%

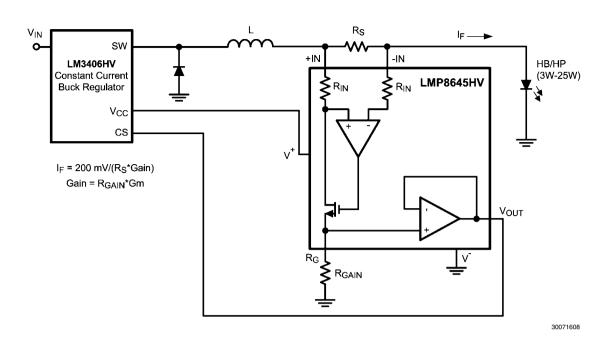
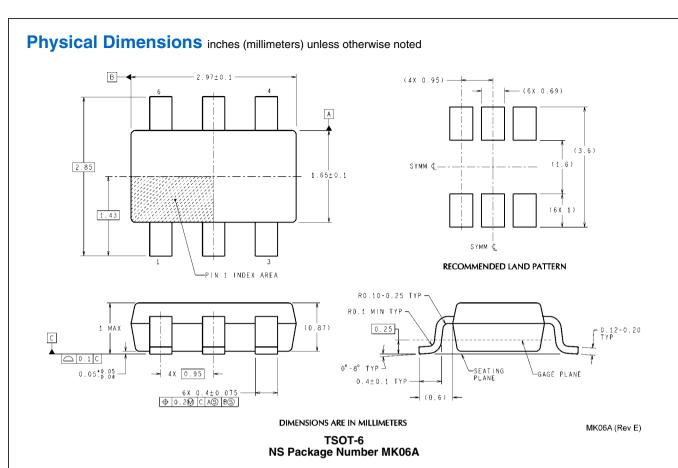


FIGURE 7. High Side Current Sensing in Driving HP/HB LED



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