

VCR standard audio signal processor

BA7796FS

The BA7796FS is a normal-audio signal processor designed for use in VCRs and tape decks. The circuit is comprised of a playback preamplifier, a line amplifier, a recording amplifier, an ALC circuit, an EQ switch, and high-voltage head switch.

The IC has three input switching systems, and a built-in coil equivalent circuit for recording equalization, which eliminates the need for an external component.

● Applications

Video cassette recorders and tape decks

● Features

- 1) Three input switching systems built-in (LINE1, LINE2, and TUNER).
- 2) Built-in coil equivalent circuit for recording equalization.
- 3) Two-mode EQ switch.
- 4) High-performance low-noise playback amplifier.
- 5) Fixed ALC level (-7.2dB when $V_{CC}=12V$).
- 6) Phase-inverting recording amplifier.

● Absolute maximum ratings ($T_a=25^\circ C$)

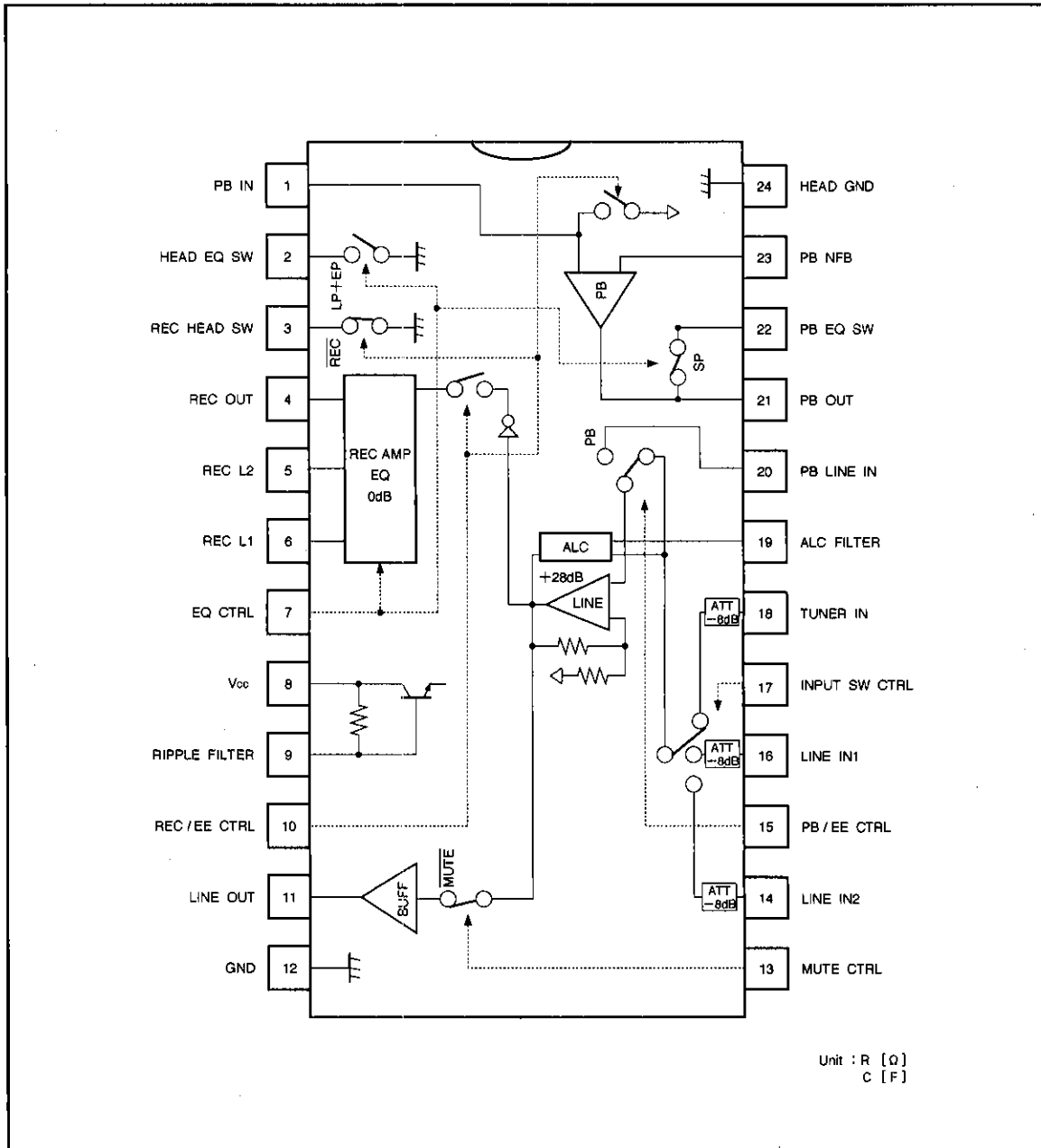
| Parameter | Symbol | Limits | Unit |
|-----------------------|-----------|---------|------------|
| Power supply voltage | V_{CC} | 13 | V |
| Power dissipation | P_d | 800 * | mW |
| Operating temperature | T_{opr} | -10~65 | $^\circ C$ |
| Storage temperature | T_{stg} | -55~125 | $^\circ C$ |

* When mounted on a 90mm x 50mm x 1.6mm glass epoxy PCB.
Reduced by 8.0mW for each increase in T_a of $1^\circ C$ over $25^\circ C$.

● Recommended operating conditions ($T_a=25^\circ C$)

| Parameter | Symbol | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
|----------------------|----------|------|------|------|------|
| Power supply voltage | V_{CC} | 7.5 | — | 12.5 | V |

●Block diagram



● Pin descriptions

| Pin No. | Pin name | Function | Pin Voltage | I/O Circuit |
|---------|-----------------|--|-----------------------------|--|
| 1 | PB IN | Playback amplifier input/playback head switch | 2.0V | REC : 120k Ω REC : 11 Ω |
| 2 | HEAD EQ SW | Head resonance capacitor switch | 0.0V | 220k Ω / 20 Ω (ON) |
| 3 | REC HEAD SW | High-withstanding voltage recording head switch | 0.0V | REC : 11 Ω (ON) REC : OPEN |
| 4 | REC OUT | Recording amplifier output | 5.7V | EF (P - P) |
| 5 | REC L2 | Recording EQ switch | 5.7V | 19 Ω (ON) / OPEN |
| 6 | REC L1 | Recording EQ pin | 5.7V | B (NPN) |
| 7 | EQ CTRL | EQ control | — | See input/output circuit |
| 8 | V _{cc} | V _{cc} | 12.0V | — |
| 9 | RIPPLE FILTER | Ripple filter | 12.0V | 10k Ω (V _{cc}) |
| 10 | REC / EE CTRL | REC/EE control | — | See input/output circuit |
| 11 | LINE OUT | Line amplifier output | 5.7V | EF (P - P) |
| 12 | GND | GND | 0.0V | — |
| 13 | MUTE CTRL | Mute control | — | See input/output circuit |
| 14 | LINE IN2 | Line input 2 | 5.6V | 120k Ω |
| 15 | PB / EE CTRL | PB/EE control | — | See input/output circuit |
| 16 | LINE IN1 | Line input 1 | 5.6V | 120k Ω |
| 17 | INPUT SW CTRL | Input switch control | — | See input/output circuit |
| 18 | TUNER IN | Tuner input | 5.6V | 120k Ω |
| 19 | ALC FILTER | For setting the time constant for the ALC filter (attack and recovery times) | PB : 0.0V PB : not fixed | EF (NPN) ~100 Ω |
| 20 | PB LINE IN | Line input for playback | 5.6V | 120k Ω |
| 21 | PB OUT | Playback amplifier output | 2.0V | EF (P - P) |
| 22 | PB EQ SW | Playback equalizer switch | 2.0V | 35 Ω (ON) / OPEN |
| 23 | PB NFB | Playback amplifier feedback | 2.0V | B (NPN) |
| 24 | HEAD GND | GND for playback amplifier and head switch | 0.0V | — |

* EF: emitter follower, P-P: push pull, B: base, and C: collector.

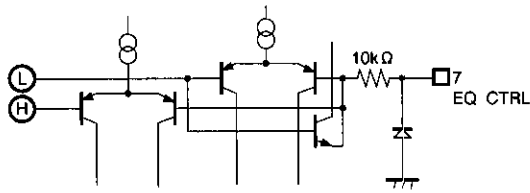
All measurements made using the measurement circuit (Fig. 1) with V_{cc} = 12V and quiescent circuit conditions.
All numerical values are standardized values.

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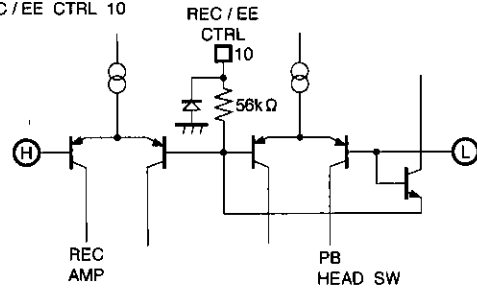
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● Input / output circuits

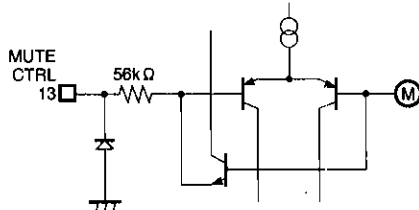
EQ CTRL 7



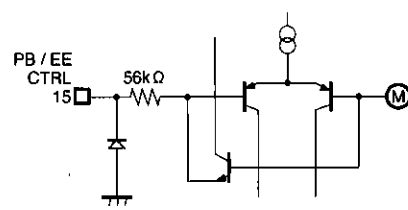
REC/EE CTRL 10



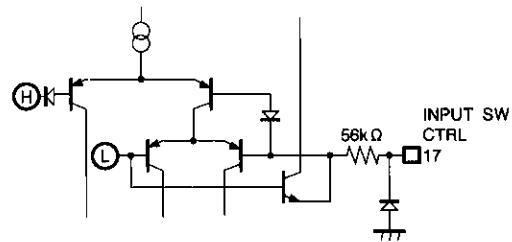
MUTE CTRL 13



PB/EE CTRL 15



INPUT SW CTRL 17



L, M, and H in the above diagrams are 1.7V, 2.5V, and 3.3V respectively.

● Electrical characteristics (Unless otherwise specified Ta=25°C, V_{CC}=12V, and f=1kHz)

| Parameter | Symbol | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit | Conditions | Measurement Circuit |
|---|--------------------|------|--------|------|------------------|---|---------------------|
| Circuit current EE | I _{QEE} | 7.4 | 9.8 | 13.0 | mA | No signal input | Fig.1 |
| Circuit current PB | I _{QPB} | 7.4 | 9.8 | 13.0 | mA | No signal input | Fig.1 |
| Circuit current REC | I _{QREC} | 6.4 | 8.4 | 11.2 | mA | No signal input | Fig.1 |
| (Line amplifier) | | | | | | | |
| Voltage gain (PB input) | G _{VCLP} | 27.0 | 28.0 | 29.0 | dB | V _O =-8dBV | Fig.1 |
| Voltage gain (LINE1, LINE2, TU inputs) | G _{VCLT} | 19.0 | 20.0 | 21.0 | dB | V _O =-8dBV | Fig.1 |
| Distortion | THD _{LT} | — | 0.1 | 0.3 | % | V _O =-8dBV, R _L =4.7kΩ* | Fig.1 |
| Maximum output level | V _{OMLT} | 7.3 | 10.5 | — | dBV | THD=1%, R _L =4.7kΩ* | Fig.1 |
| Output residual noise | V _{NOLT} | — | -81.5 | -75 | dBV | R _g =4.7kΩ, DIN AUDIO | Fig.1 |
| ALC level | V _{OA} | -8.2 | -7.2 | -6.2 | dBV | V _{IN} =-25dBV | Fig.1 |
| ALC distortion | THD _A | — | 0.1 | 0.5 | % | V _{IN} =-25dBV, R _L =4.7kΩ* | Fig.1 |
| Mute attenuation ratio | MT | — | -82.0 | -72 | dB | V _O =0dBV, DIN AUDIO | Fig.1 |
| (Recording amplifier) | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | LINE1, LINE2, TUNER→REC OUT | |
| Voltage gain | G _{VCR} | 19.0 | 20.0 | 21.0 | dB | V _O =-8dBV | Fig.1 |
| Distortion | THD _R | — | 0.13 | 0.4 | % | V _O =-8dBV, R _L =4.7kΩ* | Fig.1 |
| Maximum output level | V _{OMR} | 7.0 | 10.0 | — | dBV | THD=1%, R _L =4.7kΩ* | Fig.1 |
| Open-loop gain | G _{VOR} | 60 | 71 | — | dB | | Fig.1 |
| (Playback preamplifier) | | | | | | | |
| Open-loop gain | G _{VOP} | 61 | 68 | — | dB | | Fig.1 |
| Input conversion noise | V _{NINP} | — | -122.5 | -114 | dBV | R _g =680Ω, DIN AUDIO | Fig.1 |
| Voltage gain (stand alone, SP mode) | G _{VCP} | 35.0 | 36.0 | 37.0 | dB | PB IN→PB OUT | Fig.1 |
| (Head switch) | | | | | | | |
| PB head switch impedance | R _{PH} | — | 11 | 20 | Ω | | Fig.1 |
| REC head switch impedance | R _{RH} | — | 11 | 20 | Ω | | Fig.1 |
| REC head switch DC withstanding voltage | BV _{RHDC} | — | 0 | 10 | μA | E _s =±55V | Fig.1 |
| REC head switch AC withstanding voltage | BV _{RHAC} | 80 | 100 | — | V _{P-P} | f=70kHz, V _s ≤±1.5V | Fig.2 |

* BW=0.4~30kHz measurement circuit

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● Measurement circuit

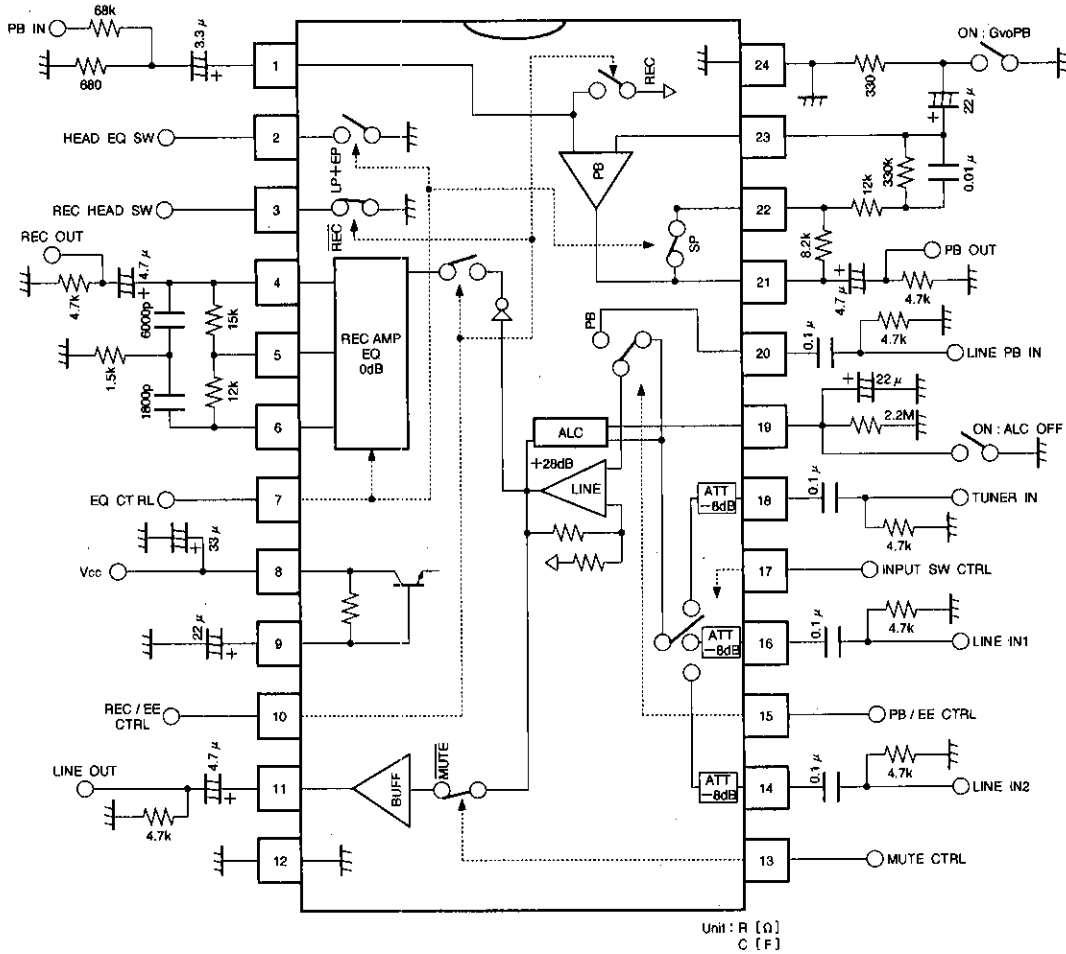


Fig.1

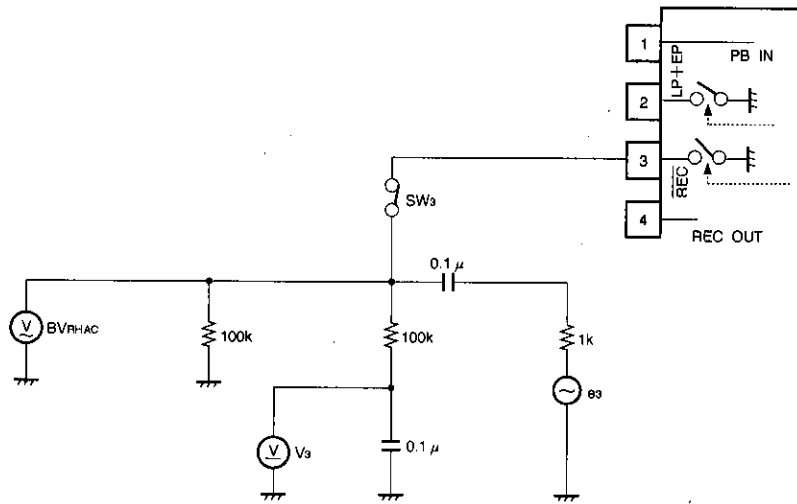


Fig.2 REC head switch AC withstanding voltage measurement circuit

●Control and mode table

(1) REC / EE CTRL, PB / EE CTRL, INPUT SW CTRL

| Control pins | | | Mode | Function | | | |
|--------------|---------|----------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| REC / EE | PB / EE | INPUT SW | | PB HSW | REC HSW | LINE SW | REC AMP |
| L | L | L | TUNER | OFF | ON | TUNER | OFF |
| L | L | M | LINE2 | OFF | ON | LINE2 | OFF |
| L | L | H | LINE1 | OFF | ON | LINE1 | OFF |
| L | H | — | PB | OFF | ON | PB | OFF |
| H | L | L | TU REC | ON | OFF | TUNER | ON |
| H | L | M | L2 REC | ON | OFF | LINE2 | ON |
| H | L | H | L1 REC | ON | OFF | LINE1 | ON |
| H | H | — | inhibit | — | — | — | — |

If REC/EE CTRL is set to "M", the REC pause state is possible (REC head switch: open, REC amplifier: off).

(2) MUTE CTRL

| Control pins | Mode | Function |
|--------------|------|----------|
| MUTE | | LINE SW |
| H | MUTE | OPEN |
| L | MUTE | CLOSE |

(3) EQ CTRL

| Control pins | Mode | | Function | | |
|--------------|--------|--------|----------|-------|--------|
| | 2 MODE | 3 MODE | HEAD EQ | PB EQ | REC EQ |
| L | SP | SP | OFF | CLOSE | CLOSE |
| M | — | LP | ON | OPEN | CLOSE |
| H | EP | EP | ON | OPEN | OPEN |

●Application example

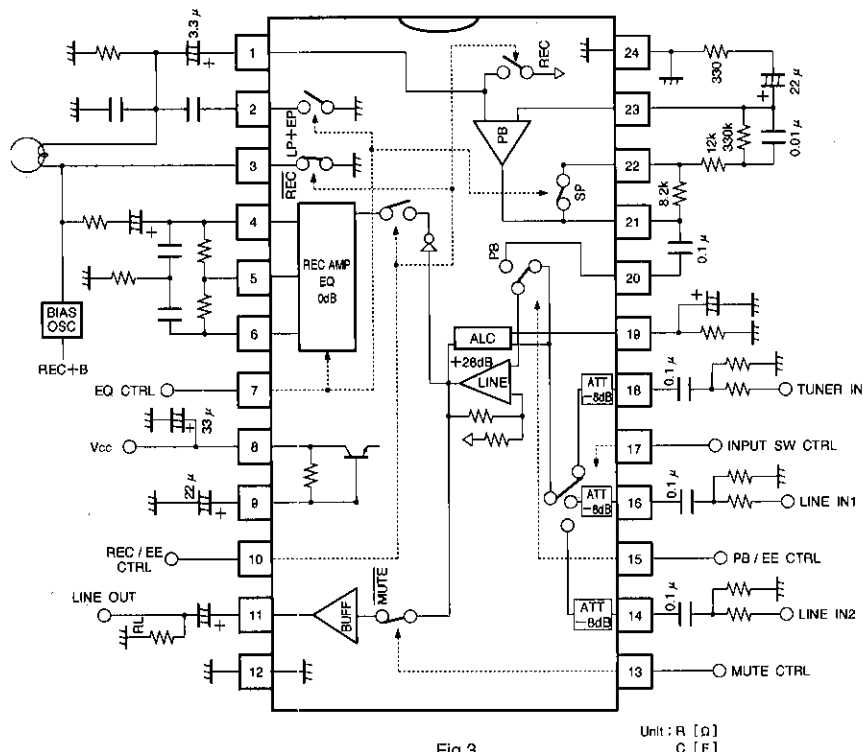


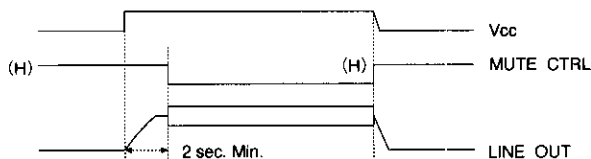
Fig.3

Unit: R [Ω]
C [F]

●Operation notes

1. Mute signal

Apply the mute signal shown below at power on and off. If the muting time is short, a "pop" sound will be audible, particularly when the power is switched on.



The mute signal must also be applied when switching PB, LINE1, LINE2 and TUNER.

2. Recording control

Do not switch the PB and REC modes on together. This will cause erroneous operation.

3. Line output

The line output can drive a load resistance of up to 2k Ω. Some types of load can result in local oscillation (eg. large capacitive loads that draw large current), so caution is required. In particular, when there is a possibility that the line output will be connected to a shielded cable, or line cable, connect a resistor of about 1k Ω in series with the output so that the capacitive load is not directly coupled to the IC output terminal.

● Electrical characteristic curves

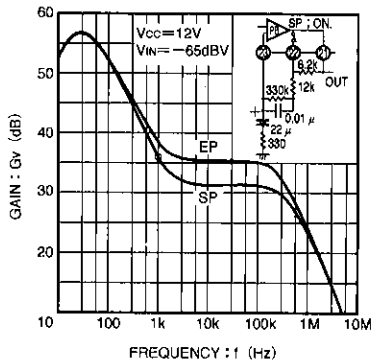


Fig.4 Gain vs. frequency (PB amplifier)

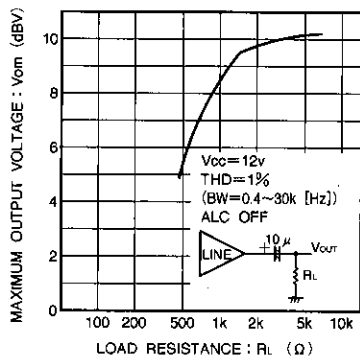


Fig.5 Line amplifier load drive characteristics

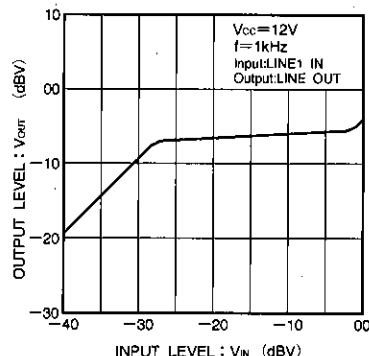


Fig.6 ALC input/output characteristics

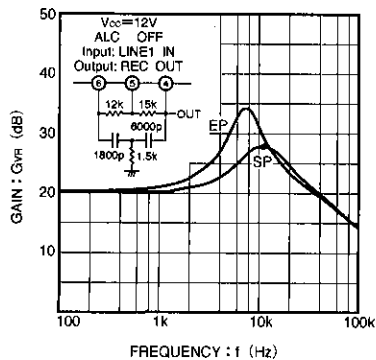


Fig.7 Gain vs. frequency (REC amplifier)

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● External dimensions (Units: mm)

