

## Very low noise microphone preamplifier with 2.0V bias output and active low standby mode

### Features

- Low noise: 10nV/Hz typ. equivalent input noise @ F = 1kHz
- Fully differential input/output
- 2.2V to 5.5V single supply operation
- Low power consumption @20dB: 1.8mA
- Fast start up time @ 0dB: 5ms typ.
- Low distortion: 0.1% typ.
- 40kHz bandwidth regardless of the gain
- Active low standby mode function (1µA max)
- Low noise 2.0V microphone bias output
- Available in flip-chip lead-free package and in QFN24 4x4mm package
- ESD protection (2kV)

### Description

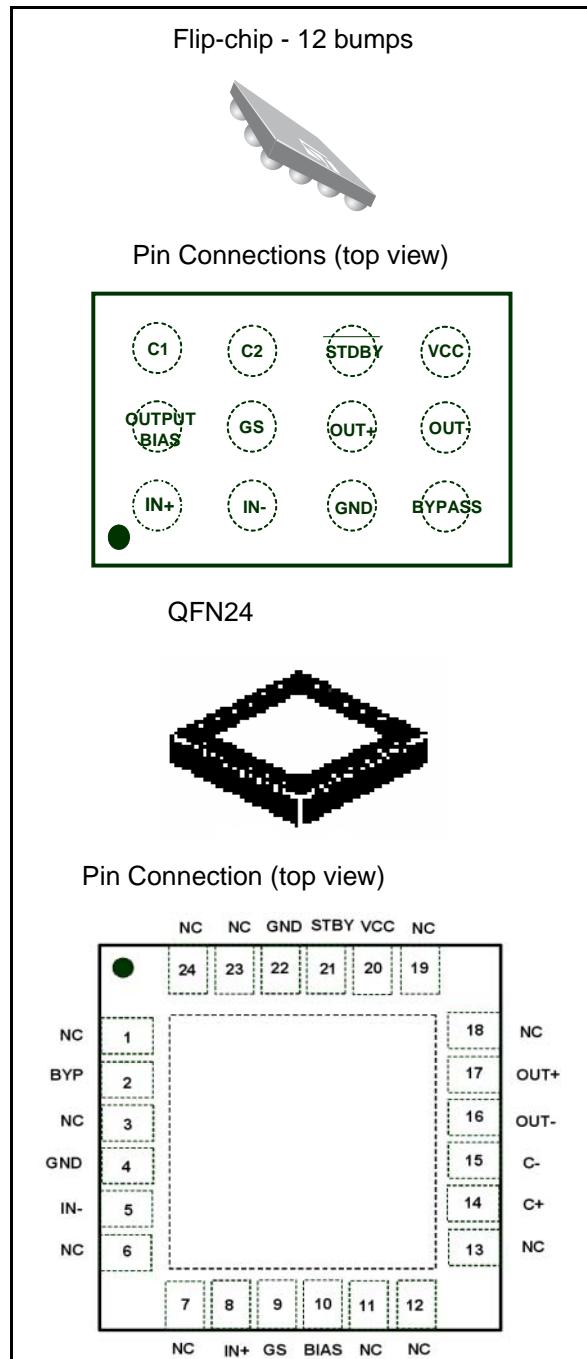
The TS472 is a differential-input microphone preamplifier optimized for high-performance, PDA and notebook audio systems.

This device features an adjustable gain from 0dB to 40dB with excellent power-supply and common-mode rejection ratios. In addition, the TS472 has a very low-noise microphone bias generator of 2V.

It also includes a complete shutdown function, with active low standby mode.

### Applications

- Video and photo cameras with sound input
- Sound acquisition & voice recognition
- Video conference systems
- Notebook computers and PDAs



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# 1 Ordering information

Table 1. Order codes

Part number	Temperature range	Package	Packing	Marking
TS472EIJT	-40°C, +85°C	Flip-chip	Tape & reel	472
TS472IQT	-40°C, +85°C	QFN24 4x4mm	Tape & reel	K472

## 2 Typical application schematic

Figure 1 shows a typical application schematic for the TS472.

Figure 1. Application schematic (flip-chip)

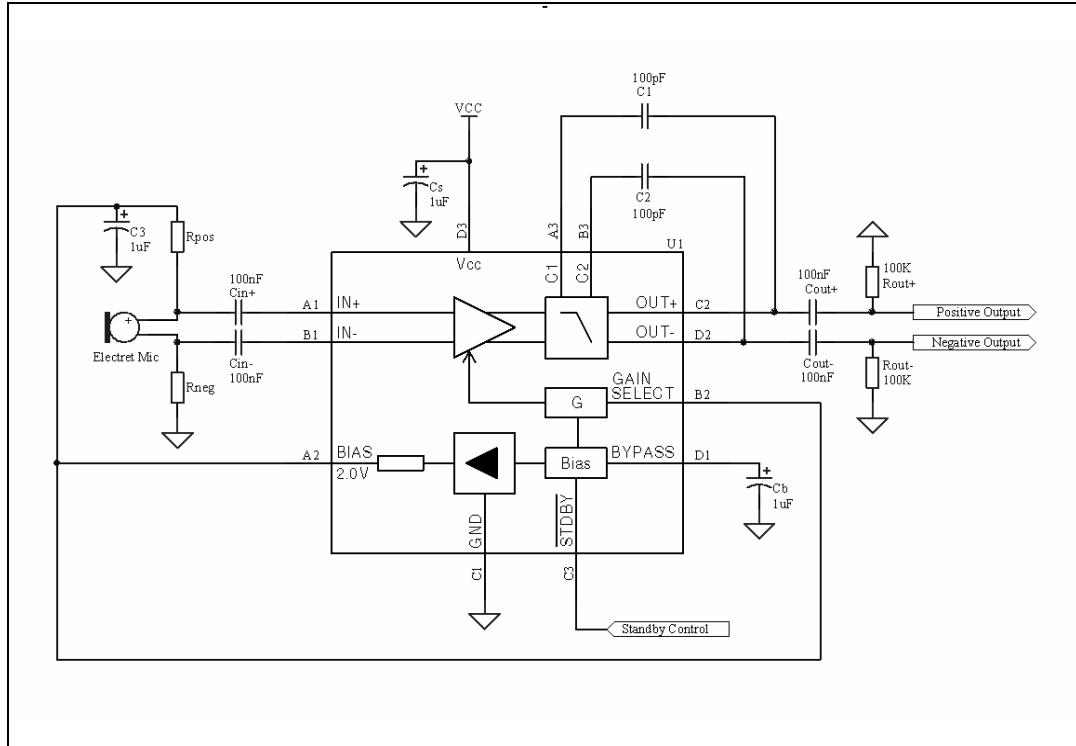


Table 2. External component descriptions

Components	Functional description
$C_{in+}$ , $C_{in-}$	Input coupling capacitors that block the DC voltage at the amplifier input terminal.
$C_{out+}$ , $C_{out-}$	Output coupling capacitors that block the DC voltage coming from the amplifier output terminal (pins C2 and D2) and determine <a href="#">Lower cut-off frequency</a> .
$R_{out+}$ , $R_{out-}$	Output load resistors used to charge the output coupling capacitors $C_{out}$ . These output resistors can be represented by an input impedance of a following stage.
$R_{pos}$ , $R_{neg}$	Polarizing resistors for biasing of a microphone.
$C_s$	Supply bypass capacitor that provides power supply filtering.
$C_b$	Bypass pin capacitor that provides half-supply filtering.
$C_1$ , $C_2$	Low pass filter capacitors allowing to cut the high frequency.

### 3 Absolute maximum ratings

**Table 3. Absolute maximum ratings**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$V_{CC}$	Supply voltage <sup>(1)</sup>	6	V
$V_i$	Input voltage	-0.3 to $V_{CC}+0.3$	V
$T_{oper}$	Operating free air temperature range	-40 to + 85	°C
$T_{stg}$	Storage temperature	-65 to +150	°C
$T_j$	Maximum junction temperature	150	°C
$R_{thja}$	Thermal resistance junction to ambient: Flip-chip QFN24	180 110	°C/W
ESD	Human body model	2	kV
ESD	Machine model	200	V
	Lead temperature (soldering, 10sec)	250	°C

1. All voltages values are measured with respect to the ground pin.

**Table 4. Operating conditions**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$V_{CC}$	Supply voltage	2.2 to 5.5	V
A	Typical differential gain (GS connected to 4.7kΩ or bias)	20	dB
$V_{STBY}$	Standby voltage input: Device ON Device OFF	$1.5 \leq V_{STBY} \leq V_{CC}$ GND $\leq V_{STBY} \leq 0.4$	V
$T_{op}$	Operational free air temperature range	-40 to +85	°C
$R_{thja}$	Thermal resistance junction to ambient: Flip-chip QFN24	150 60	°C/W

## 4 Electrical characteristics

**Table 5. Electrical characteristics at  $V_{CC} = 3V$   
with GND = 0V,  $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}C$  (unless otherwise specified)**

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$e_n$	Equivalent input noise voltage density $R_{EQ}=100\Omega$ at 1KHz		10		$\frac{nV}{\sqrt{Hz}}$
THD+N	Total harmonic distortion + noise 20Hz $\leq F \leq 20$ kHz, Gain=20dB, $V_{in}=50mV_{RMS}$		0.1		%
$V_{in}$	Input voltage, Gain=20dB		10	70	$mV_{RMS}$
$B_W$	Bandwidth @ -3dB Bandwidth @ -1dB pin A3, B3 floating		40 20		kHz
G	Overall output voltage gain (Rgs variable): Minimum gain, Rgs infinite Maximum gain, Rgs=0	-3 39.5	-1.5 41	0 42.5	dB
$Z_{in}$	Input impedance referred to GND	80	100	120	$k\Omega$
$R_{LOAD}$	Resistive load	10			$k\Omega$
$C_{LOAD}$	Capacitive load			100	pF
$I_{CC}$	Supply current, Gain=20dB			1.8 2.4	mA
$I_{STBY}$	Standby current			1	$\mu A$
PSRR	Power supply rejection ratio, Gain=20dB, $F=217$ Hz, $V_{ripple}=200mV_{pp}$ , inputs grounded Differential output Single-ended outputs,			-70 -46	dB

**Table 6. Bias output:  $V_{CC} = 3V$ , GND = 0V,  $T_{amb} = 25^{\circ}C$  (unless otherwise specified)**

Symbol	Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$V_{out}$	No load condition	1.9	2	2.1	V
$R_{out}$	Output resistance	80	100	120	W
$I_{out}$	Output bias current		2		mA
PSRR	Power supply rejection ratio, $F=217$ Hz, $V_{ripple}=200mV_{pp}$	70	80		dB

**Table 7. Differential RMS noise voltage**

Gain (dB)	Input referred noise voltage ( $\mu$ V <sub>RMS</sub> )		Output noise voltage ( $\mu$ V <sub>RMS</sub> )	
	Unweighted filter	A-weighted filter	Unweighted filter	A-weighted filter
0	15	10	15	10
20	3.4	2.3	34	23
40	1.4	0.9	141	91

**Table 8. Bias output RMS noise voltage**

$C_{out}$ ( $\mu$ F)	Unweighted filter ( $\mu$ V <sub>RMS</sub> )	A-weighted filter ( $\mu$ V <sub>RMS</sub> )
1	5	4.4
10	2.2	1.2

**Table 9. SNR (signal to noise ratio), THD+N < 0.5%**

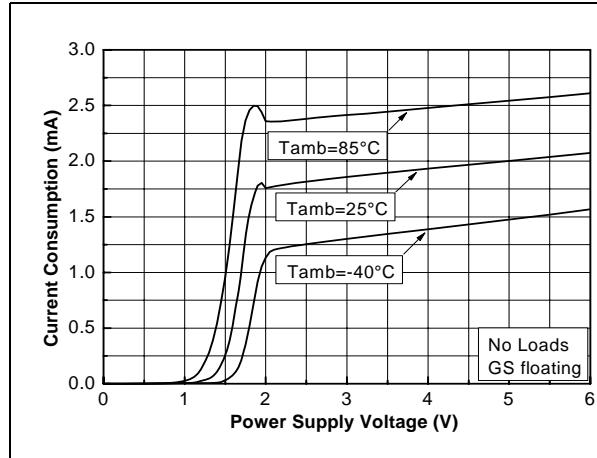
Gain (dB)	Unweighted filter (dB)			A-weighted filter (dB)		
	$V_{CC}=2.2V$	$V_{CC}=3V$	$V_{CC}=5.5V$	$V_{CC}=2.2V$	$V_{CC}=3V$	$V_{CC}=5.5V$
0	75	76	76	79	80	80
20	82	83	83	89	90	90
40	70	72	74	80	82	84

Note: *Unweighted filter = 20Hz  $\leq$  F  $\leq$  20kHz*

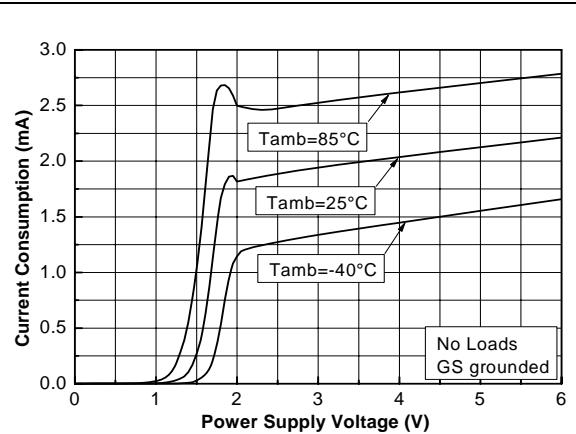
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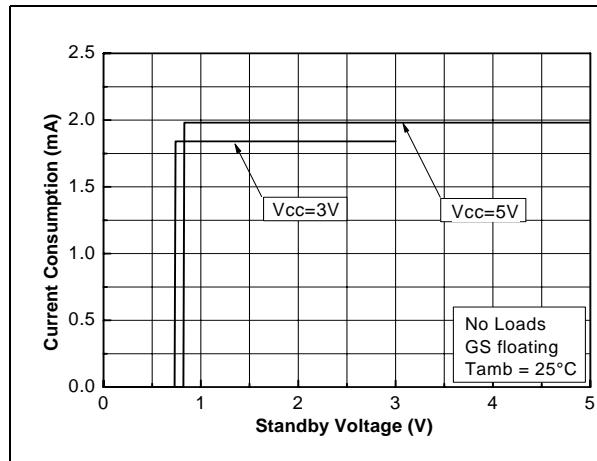
**Figure 2. Current consumption vs. power supply voltage**



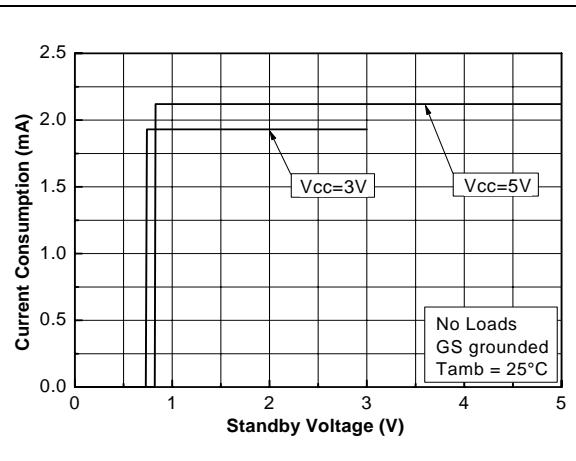
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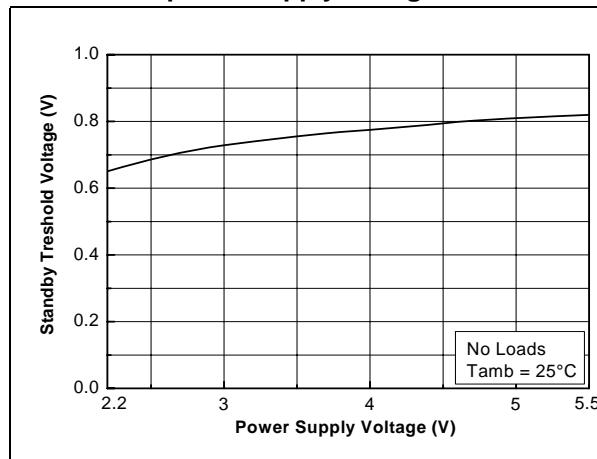
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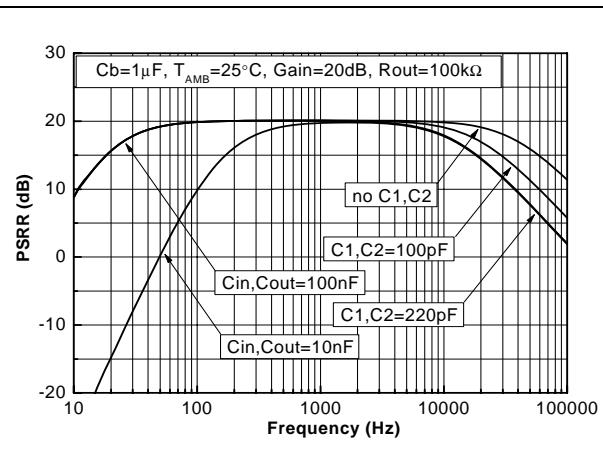
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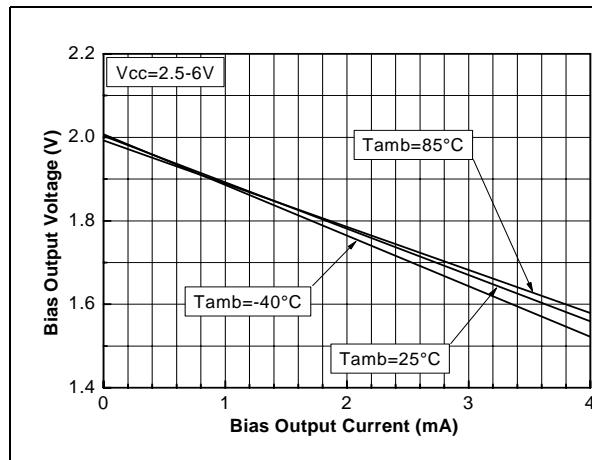
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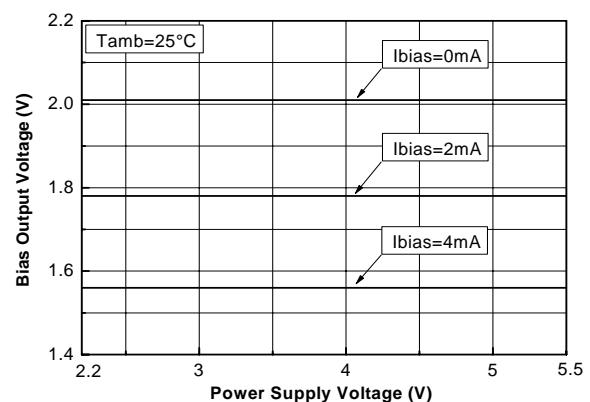
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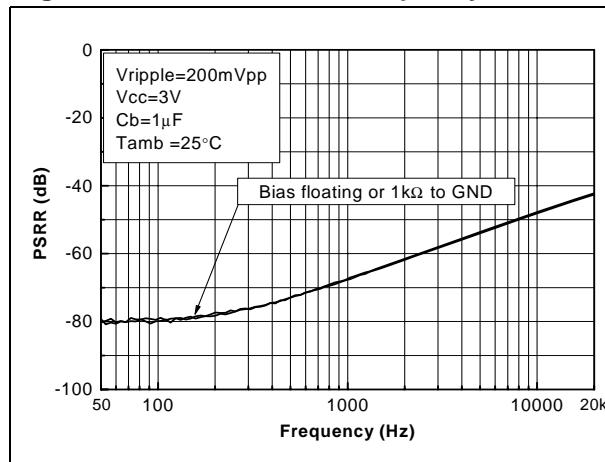
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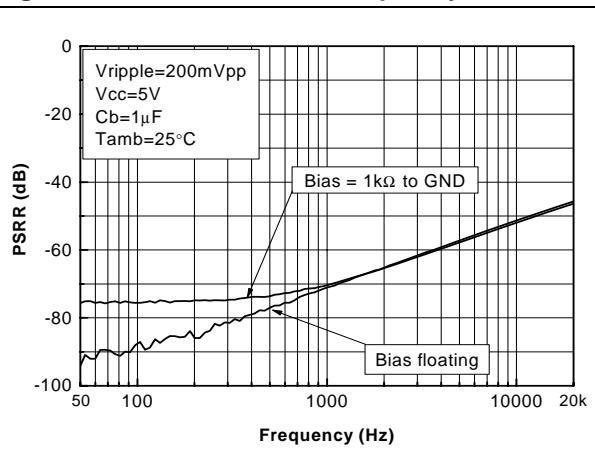
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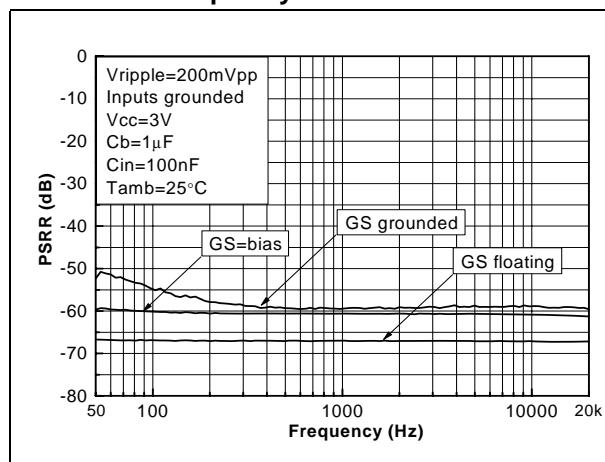
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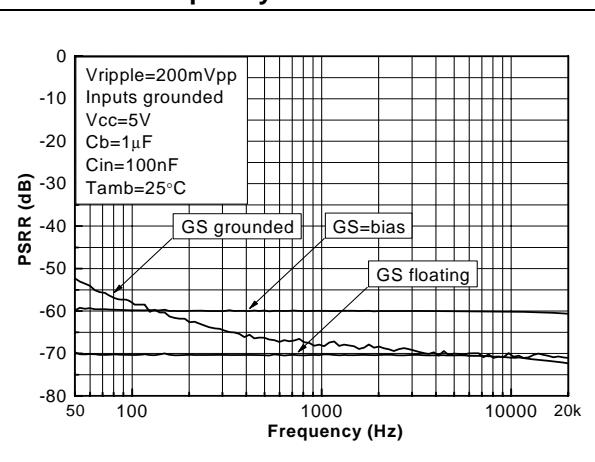
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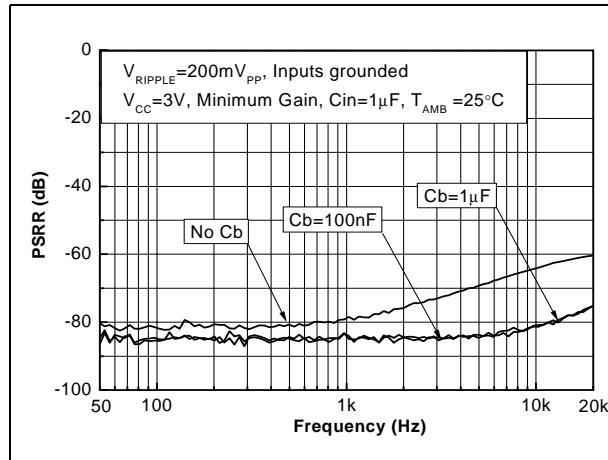
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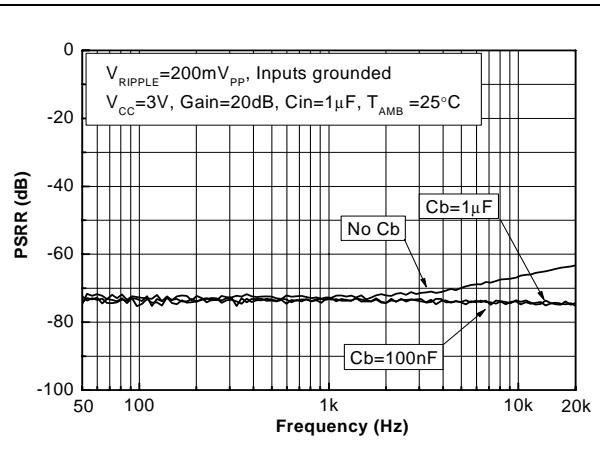
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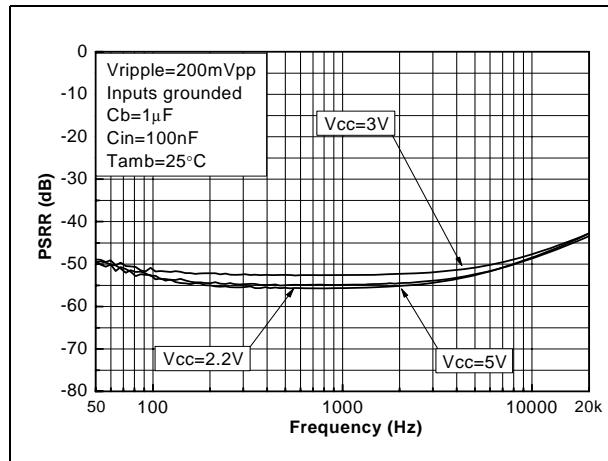
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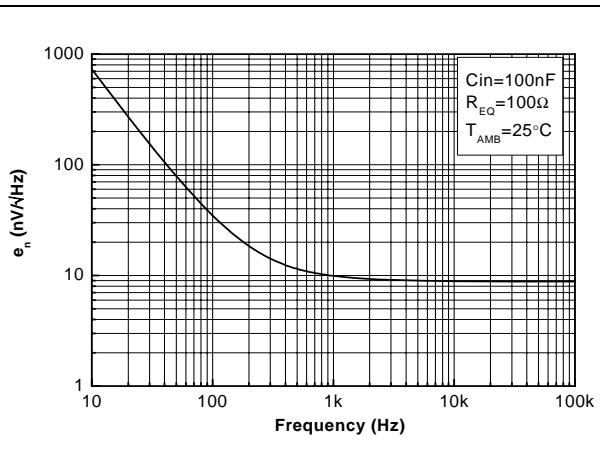
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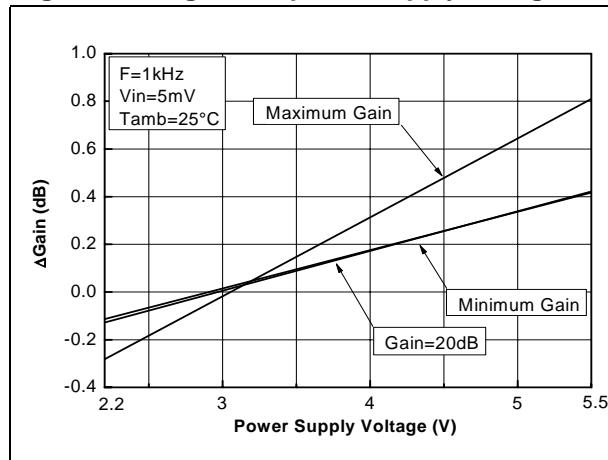
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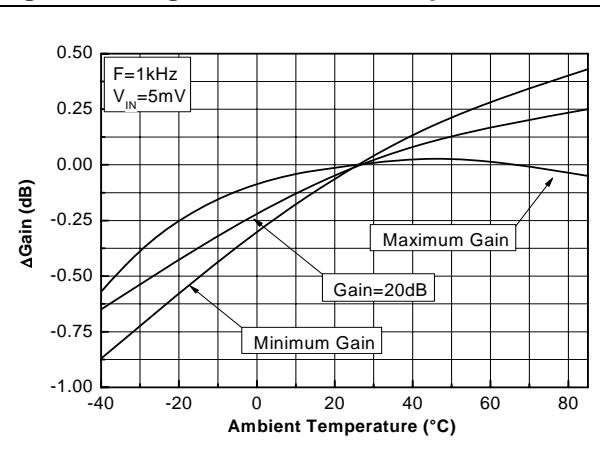
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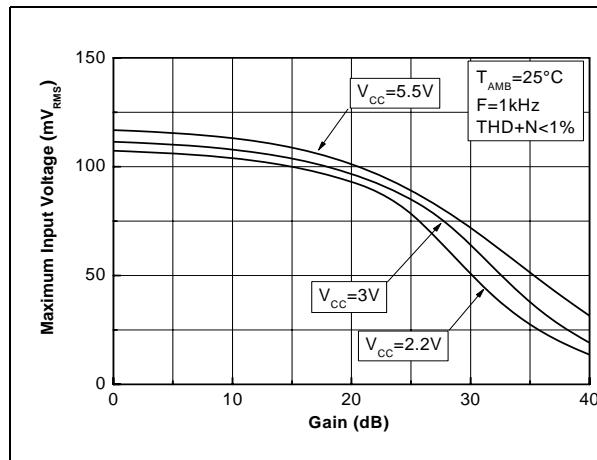
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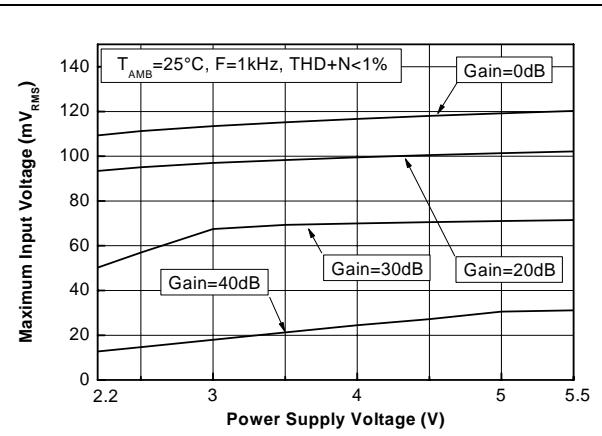
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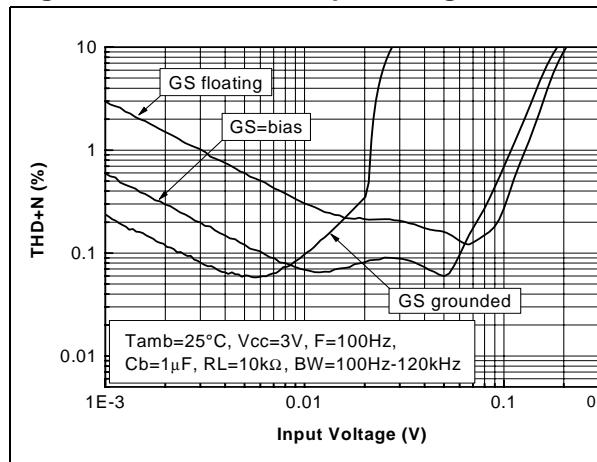
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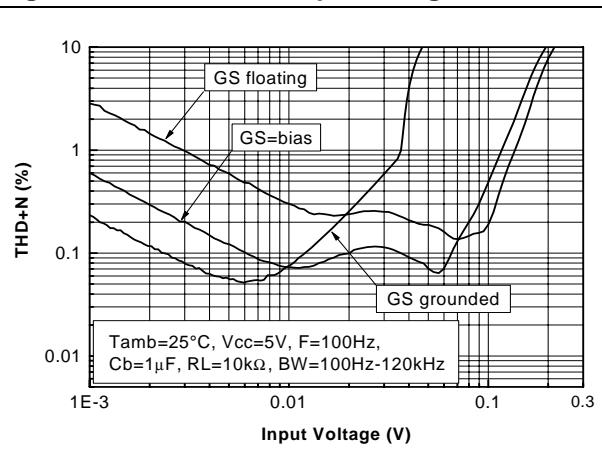
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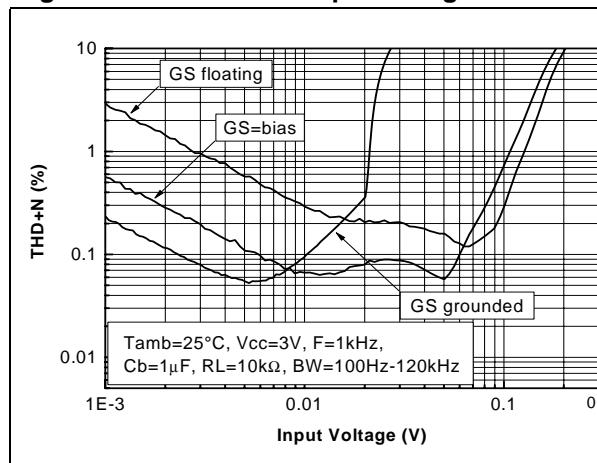
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**Figure 23. THD+N vs. input voltage**



**Figure 24. THD+N vs. input voltage**



**Figure 25. THD+N vs. input voltage**

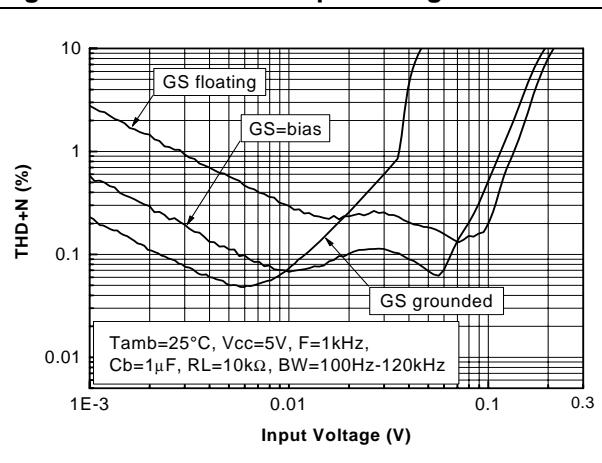


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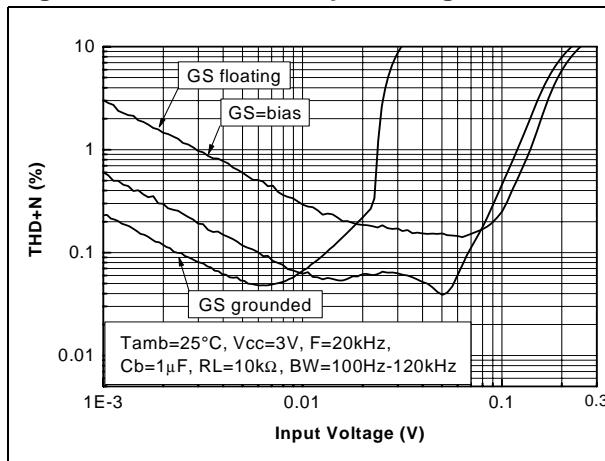


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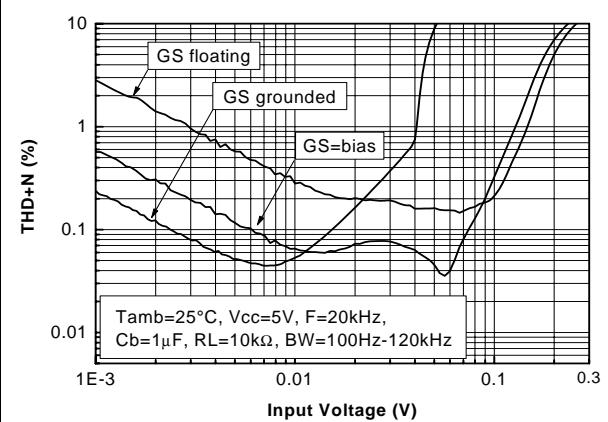


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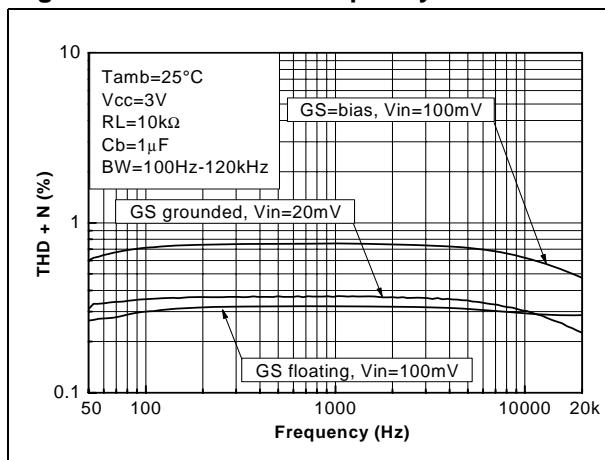


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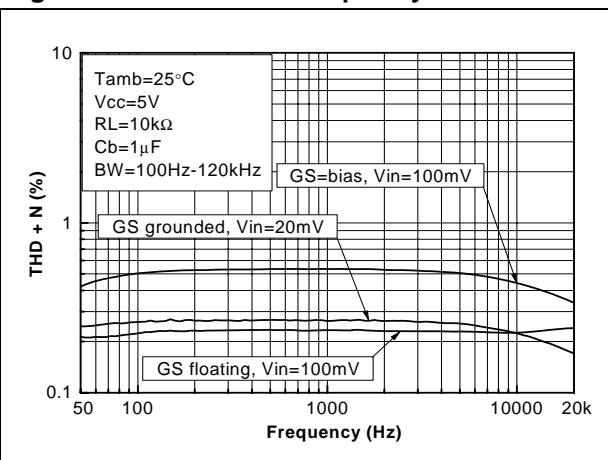


Figure 30. Transient response

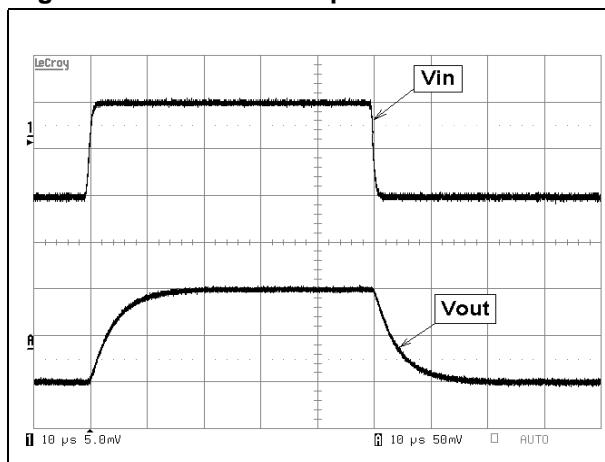
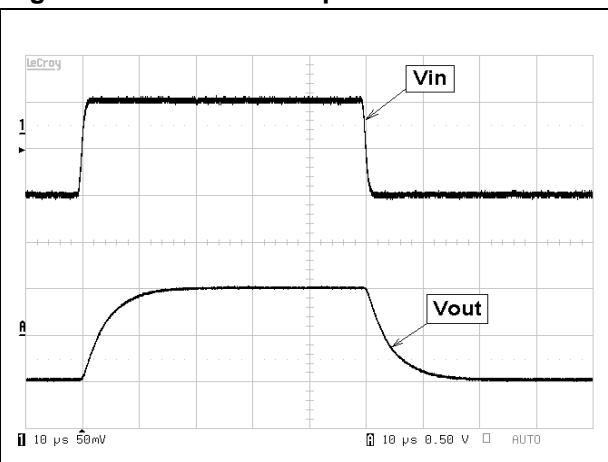


Figure 31. Transient response



## 5 Application information

### 5.1 Differential configuration principle

The TS472 is a full-differential input/output microphone preamplifier. The TS472 also includes a common mode feedback loop that controls the output bias value to average it at  $V_{CC}/2$ . This allows the device to always have a maximum output voltage swing, and by consequence, maximize the input dynamic voltage range.

The **advantages** of a full-differential amplifier are:

- Very high PSRR (power supply rejection ratio).
- High common mode noise rejection.
- In theory, the filtering of the internal bias by an external bypass capacitor is not necessary. But, to reach maximum performance in all tolerance situations, it is better to keep this option.

### 5.2 Higher cut-off frequency

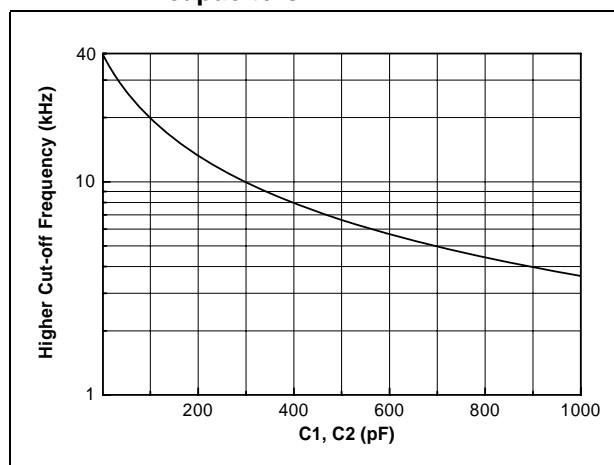
The higher cut-off frequency  $F_{CH}$  of the microphone preamplifier depends on the external capacitors  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ .

TS472 has an internal first order low pass filter ( $R=40\text{k}\Omega$ ,  $C=100\text{pF}$ ) to limit the highest cut-off frequency on 40kHz (with a 3dB attenuation). By connecting  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  you can decrease  $F_{CH}$  by applying the following formula:

$$F_{CH} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 40 \times 10^3 \cdot (C_{1,2} + 100 \times 10^{-12})}$$

*Figure 32* below indicates directly the higher cut-off frequency in Hz versus the value of the output capacitors  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  in nF.

**Figure 32. Higher cut-off frequency vs. output capacitors**



For example,  $F_{CH}$  is almost 20kHz with  $C_{1,2}=100\text{pF}$ .

### 5.3 Lower cut-off frequency

The lower cut-off frequency  $F_{CL}$  of the microphone preamplifier depends on the input capacitors  $C_{in}$  and output capacitors  $C_{out}$ . These input and output capacitors are mandatory in an application because of DC voltage blocking.

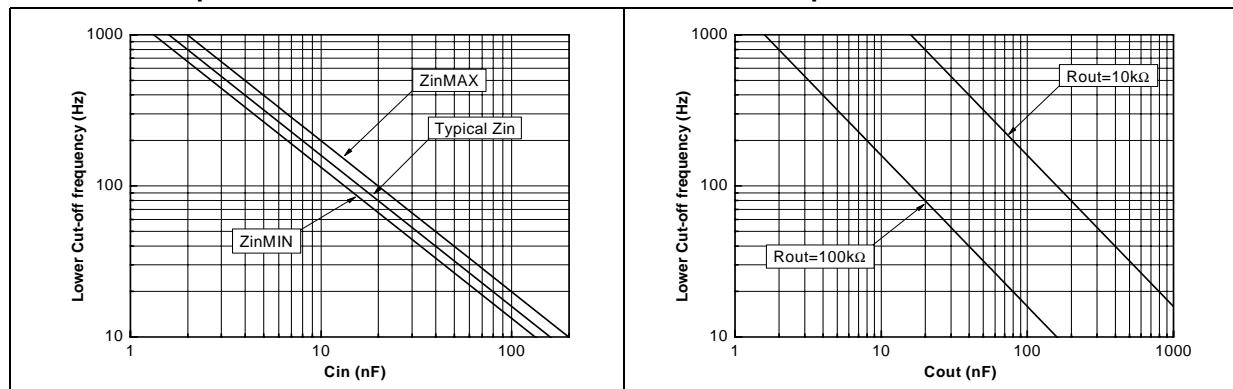
The input capacitors  $C_{in}$  in series with the input impedance of the TS472 ( $100k\Omega$ ) are equivalent to a first order high pass filter. Assuming that  $F_{CL}$  is the lowest frequency to be amplified (with a 3dB attenuation), the minimum value of  $C_{in}$  is:

$$C_{in} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot F_{CL} \cdot 100 \times 10^3}$$

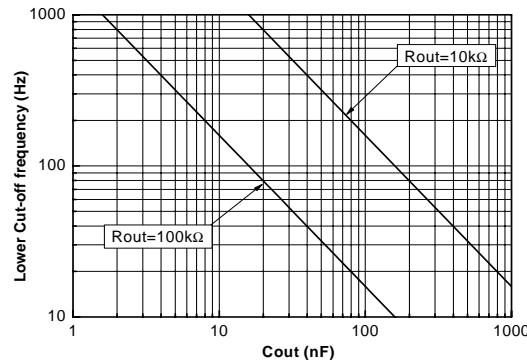
The capacitors  $C_{out}$  in series with the output resistors  $R_{out}$  (or an input impedance of the next stage) are also equivalent to a first order high pass filter. Assuming that  $F_{CL}$  is the lowest frequency to be amplified (with a 3dB attenuation), the minimum value of  $C_{out}$  is:

$$C_{out} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot F_{CL} \cdot R_{out}}$$

**Figure 33. Lower cut-off frequency vs. input capacitors**



**Figure 34. Lower cut-off frequency vs. output capacitors**



*Figure 33* and *Figure 34* give directly the lower cut-off frequency (with 3dB attenuation) versus the value of the input or output capacitors

**Note:** *In case  $F_{CL}$  is kept the same for calculation, take into account that the 1st order high-pass filter on the input and the 1st order high-pass filter on the output create a 2nd order high-pass filter in the audio signal path with an attenuation of 6dB on  $F_{CL}$  and a rolloff of 40dB/decade.*

### 5.4 Low-noise microphone bias source

The TS472 provides a very low noise voltage and power supply rejection BIAS source designed for biasing an electret condenser microphone cartridge. The BIAS output is typically set at 2.0 V<sub>DC</sub> (no load conditions), and can typically source 2mA with respect to drop-out, determined by the internal resistance 100Ω (for detailed load regulation curves see *Figure 8*).

## 5.5 Gain settings

The gain in the application depends mainly on:

- the sensitivity of the microphone
- the distance to the microphone
- the audio level of the sound
- the desired output level

The sensitivity of the microphone is generally expressed in dB/Pa, referenced to 1V/Pa. For example, the microphone used in testing had an output voltage of 6.3mV for a sound pressure of 1 Pa (where Pa is the pressure unit, Pascal). Expressed in dB, the sensitivity is:

$$20\log(0.0063) = -44 \text{ dB/Pa}$$

To facilitate the first approach, [Table 11](#) below gives voltages and gains used with a low cost omnidirectional electret condenser microphone of -44dB/Pa.

**Table 11. Typical TS472 gain vs. distance to the microphone (sensitivity -44dB/Pa)**

Distance to microphone	Microphone output voltage	TS472 Gain
1cm	30mV <sub>RMS</sub>	20
20cm	3mV <sub>RMS</sub>	100

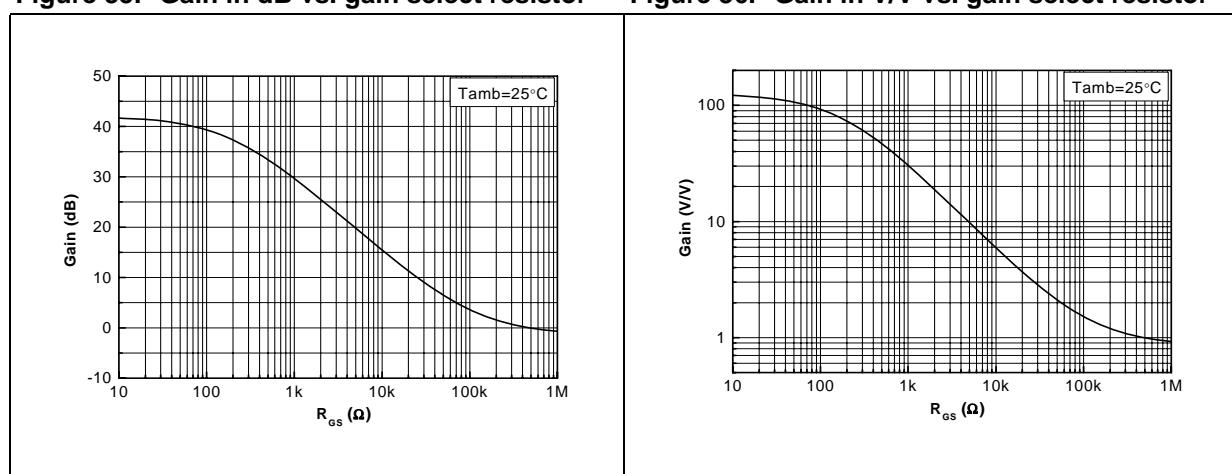
The gain of the TS472 microphone preamplifier can be set:

1. From -1.5 dB to 41 dB by connecting an external grounded resistor  $R_{GS}$  to the GS pin. It allows to adapt more precisely the gain to each application.

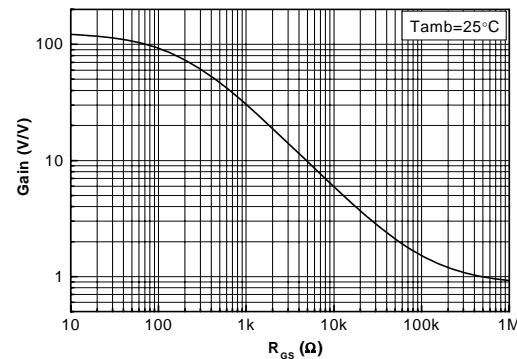
**Table 12. Selected gain vs. gain select resistor**

Gain (dB)	0	10	20	30	40
$R_{GS}$ ( $\Omega$ )	470k	27k	4k7	1k	68

**Figure 35. Gain in dB vs. gain select resistor**



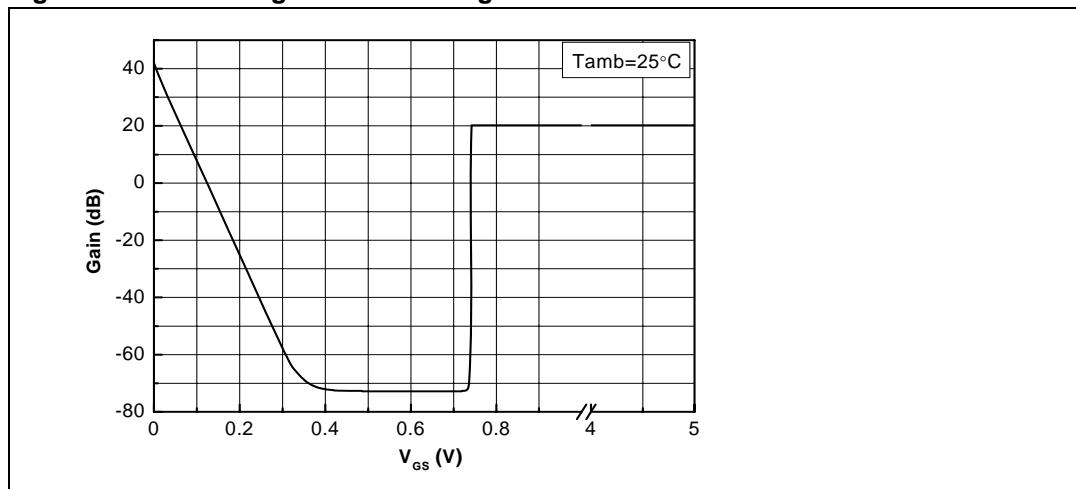
**Figure 36. Gain in V/V vs. gain select resistor**



2. To 20dB by applying  $V_{GS} > 1V_{DC}$  on Gain Select (GS) pin. This setting can help to reduce a number of external components in an application, because 2.0 V<sub>DC</sub> is provided by TS472 itself on BIAS pin.

*Figure 37* below gives other values of the gain vs. voltage applied on GS pin.

**Figure 37. Gain vs. gain select voltage**

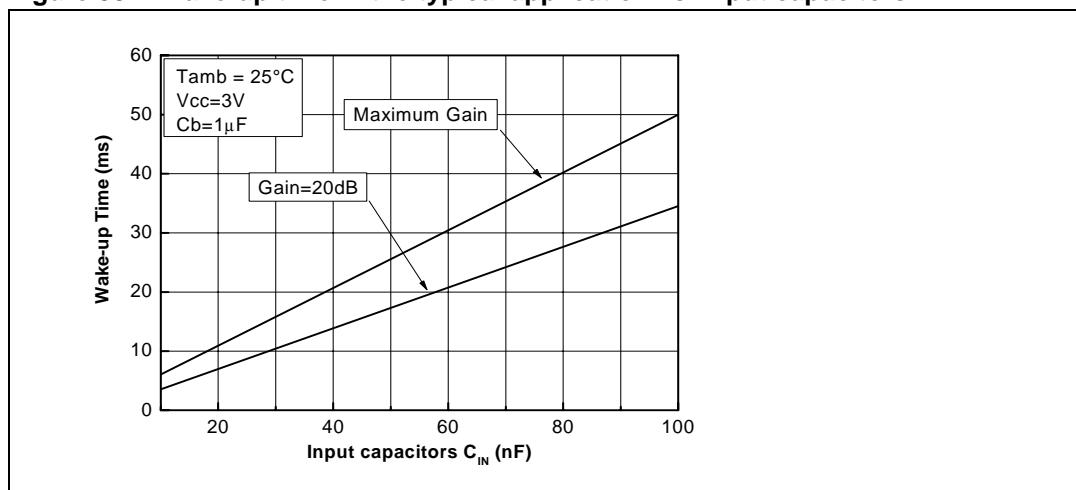


## 5.6 Wake-up time

When the standby is released to put the device ON, a signal appears on the output a few microseconds later, and the bypass capacitor  $C_b$  is charged in a few milliseconds. As  $C_b$  is directly linked to the bias of the amplifier, the bias will not work properly until the  $C_b$  voltage is correct.

In the typical application, when a biased microphone is connected to the differential input via the input capacitors ( $C_{in}$ ), (and the output signal is in line with the specification), the wake-up time will depend upon the values of the input capacitors  $C_{in}$  and the gain. When gain is lower than 0dB, the wake-up time is determined only by the bypass capacitor  $C_b$ , as described above. For a gain superior to 0dB, see *Figure 38* below.

**Figure 38. Wake-up time in the typical application vs. input capacitors**



## 5.7 Standby mode

When the standby command is set, the time required to set the output stages (differential outputs and 2.0V bias output) in high impedance and the internal circuitry in shutdown mode is a few microseconds.

## 5.8 Layout considerations

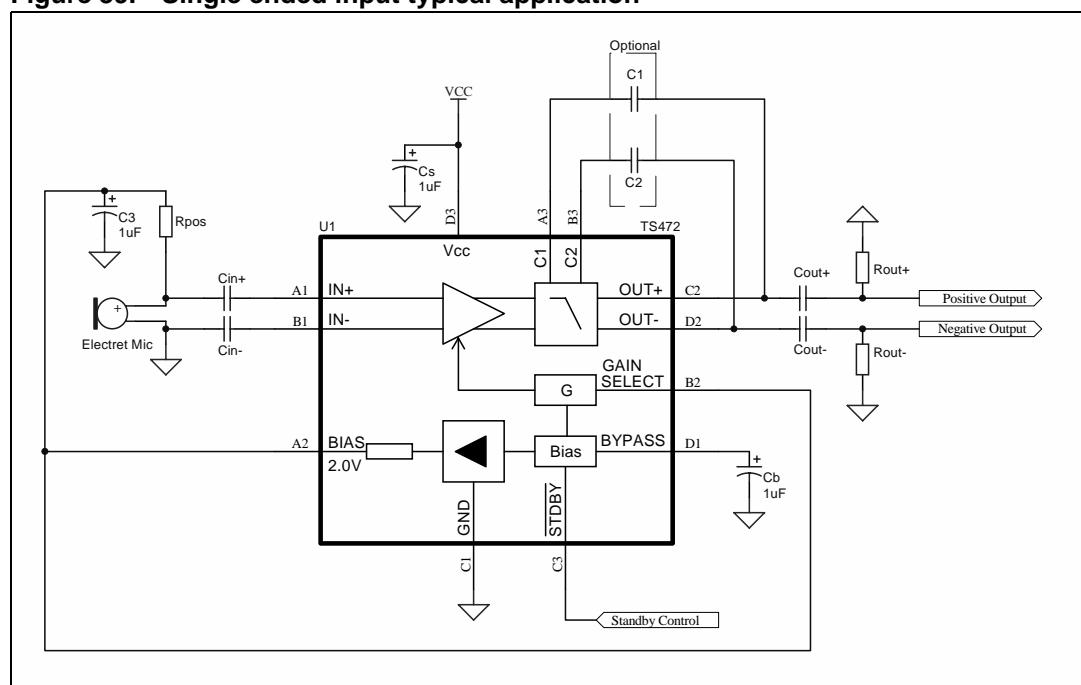
The TS472 has sensitive pins to connect C1, C2 and Rgs. To obtain high power supply rejection and low noise performance, it is mandatory that the layout track to these component is as short as possible.

Decoupling capacitors on  $V_{CC}$  and bypass pin are needed to eliminate power supply drops. In addition, the capacitor location for the dedicated pin should be as close to the device as possible.

## 5.9 Single-ended input configuration

It's possible to use the TS472 in a single-ended input configuration. The schematic in [Figure 39](#) provides an example of this configuration.

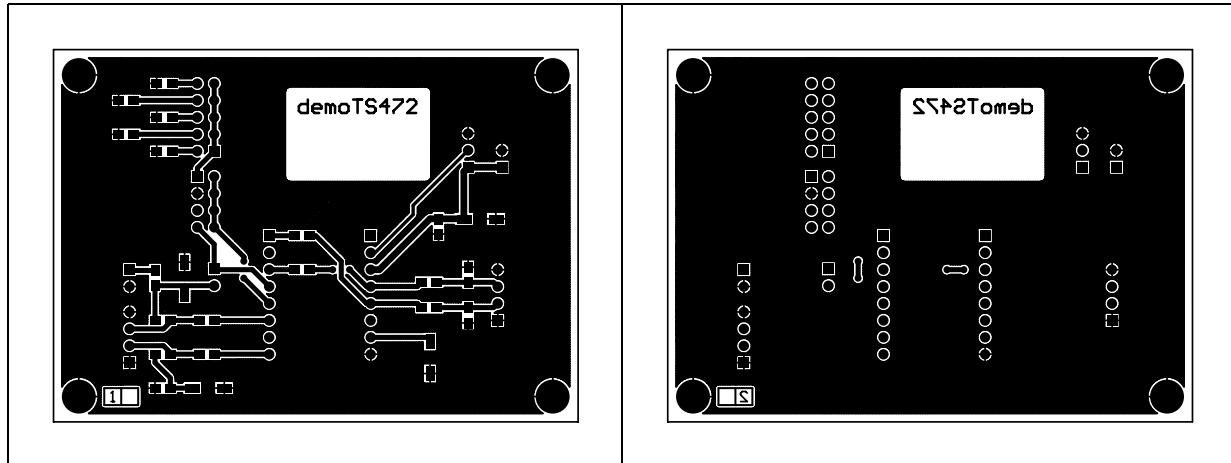
**Figure 39. Single ended input typical application**



## 5.10 Demo board

A demo board for the TS472 is available. For more information about this demo board, please refer to **Application Note AN2240**, which can be found on [www.st.com](http://www.st.com).

Figure 40. PCB top layer

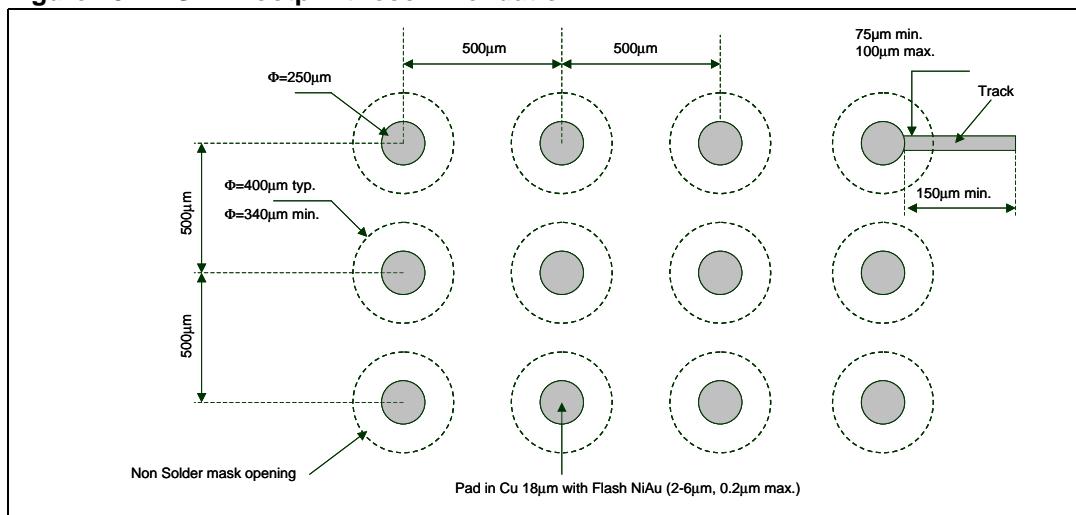


## 6 Package mechanical data

In order to meet environmental requirements, STMicroelectronics offers these devices in ECOPACK® packages. These packages have a Lead-free second level interconnect. The category of second level interconnect is marked on the package and on the inner box label, in compliance with JEDEC Standard JESD97. The maximum ratings related to soldering conditions are also marked on the inner box label. ECOPACK is an STMicroelectronics trademark. ECOPACK specifications are available at: [www.st.com](http://www.st.com).

### 6.1 Flip-chip package

**Figure 43. TS472 footprint recommendation**



**Figure 44. Pin-out (top view)**

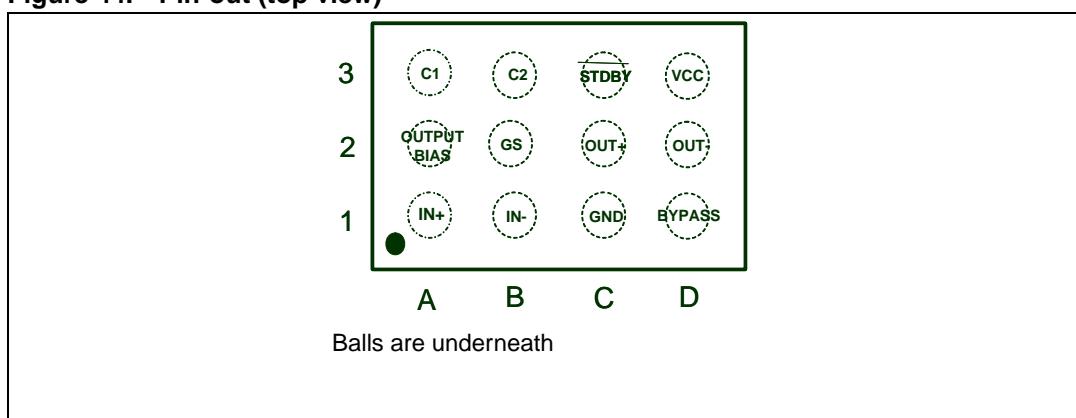
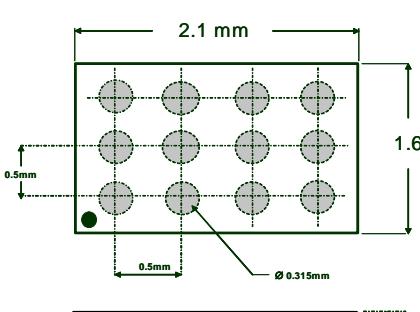


Figure 45. Marking (top view)

- ST logo
- Part number: 472
- E Lead free bumps
- Three digits datecode: YWW
- The dot indicates pin A1

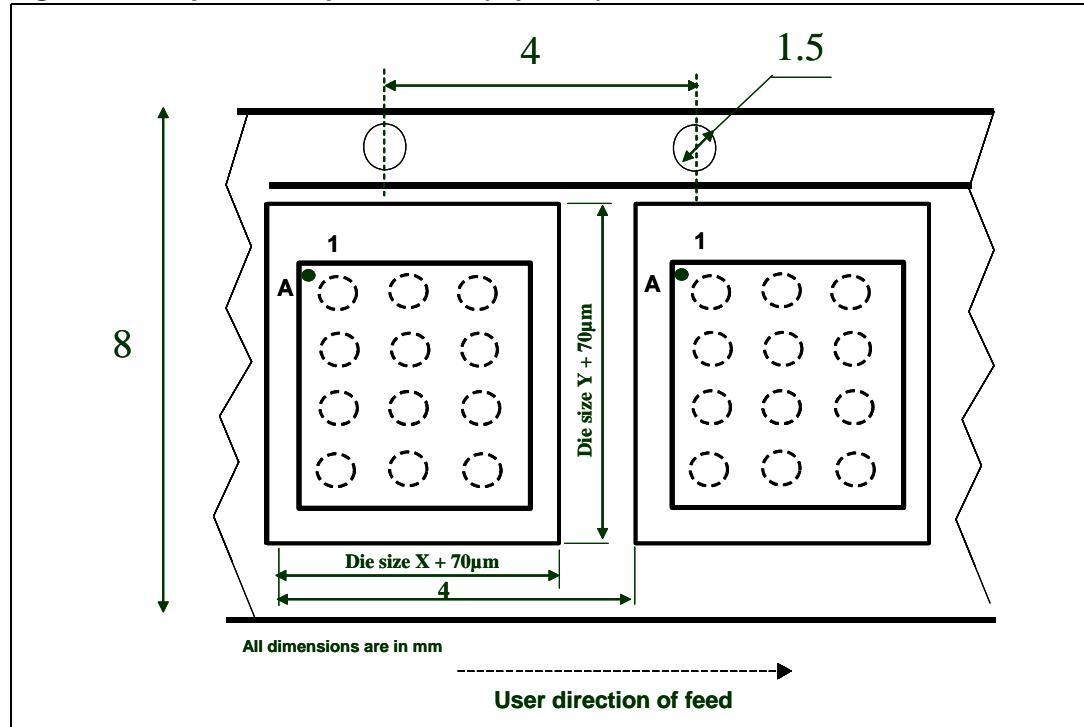


Figure 46. Flip-chip - 12 bumps



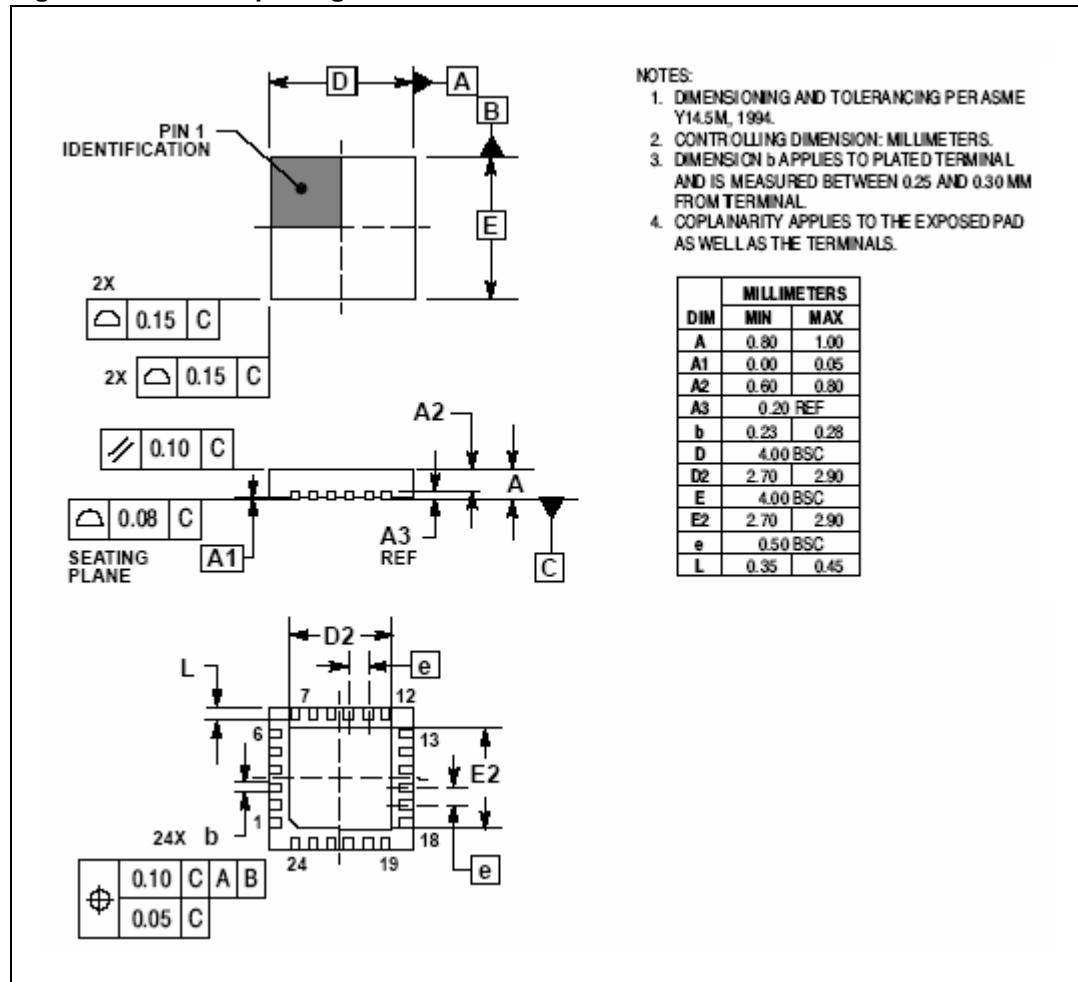
- Die size: **2.1mm x 1.6mm  $\pm$  30μm**
- Die height (including bumps): **600μm**
- Bumps diameter: **315μm  $\pm$  50μm**
- Bump diameter before reflow: **300μm  $\pm$  10μm**
- Bump height: **250μm  $\pm$  40μm**
- Die height: **350μm  $\pm$  20μm**
- Pitch: **500μm  $\pm$  50μm**
- Coplanarity: **50μm max**

Figure 47. Tape &amp; reel specification (top view)



## 6.2 QFN24 package

Figure 48. QFN24 package mechanical data



## 7 Revision history

**Table 13. Document revision history**

Date	Revision	Changes
1-Jul-05	1	Initial release corresponding to product preview version.
1-Oct-05	2	First release of fully mature product datasheet.
1-Dec-05	3	Added single-ended input operation in <a href="#"><i>Section 5: Application information</i></a> .
12-Sep-2006	4	Added QFN package information. Updated curves, added new ones in <a href="#"><i>Section 4: Electrical characteristics</i></a> .

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