

LMP7300 Single Precision Comparator with Reference Evaluation Boards (SOIC and MSOP)

National Semiconductor
Application Note 1639
Ron Latour
June 2, 2008



The following evaluation boards are designed to demonstrate the LMP7300 micropower precision comparator, with precision voltage reference. National recommends the use of these boards as an aid in the evaluation and characterization of the LMP7300.

- -551013114- For the LMP7300 MO8A Eval (SOIC pkg).
- -551013115- For the LMP7300 MUA8A Eval (MSOP pkg).

The boards have identical circuit configurations and layouts. All components are surface mount 0805 except the test points for supply and voltage measurement. The layout input and output will accommodate either BNC or SMA connectors.

Basic Configuration as Threshold Detector

The LMP7300 evaluation boards are designed to provide maximum flexibility while investigating different circuit configurations. The values chosen are for micropower precision level threshold applications where supply noise is at a minimum. If supply noise is present, provision has been made to add decoupling as needed. While most component values are shown, some are application specific and should be defined by the user. For example, the bridge gain can be changed with R1, R2, and R4, while supply line decoupling can be improved with C2 and C6. The potentiometers, R6 and R7, can be used to quickly trim the trip points.

As shown in *Figure 1*, the input signal, V_{IN} , is brought onto the board through a BNC or SMA connector and divided by the bridge gain. If the desired V_{IN} trigger level is set to twice V_{REF} , the comparator will trip around V_{REF} . The signal path is connected via jumper JP1 to the comparator's inverting input and JP2 for the non-inverting input. The bridge gain is set to $\sim 1/2$ with R1 and R2 both stuffed as $1\text{ M}\Omega$ and R4 set to 0Ω for initial setup, then trimmed for high or low threshold detection. There is a provision for a resistor R3 to be placed between the input pins for large hysteresis levels.

Hysteresis

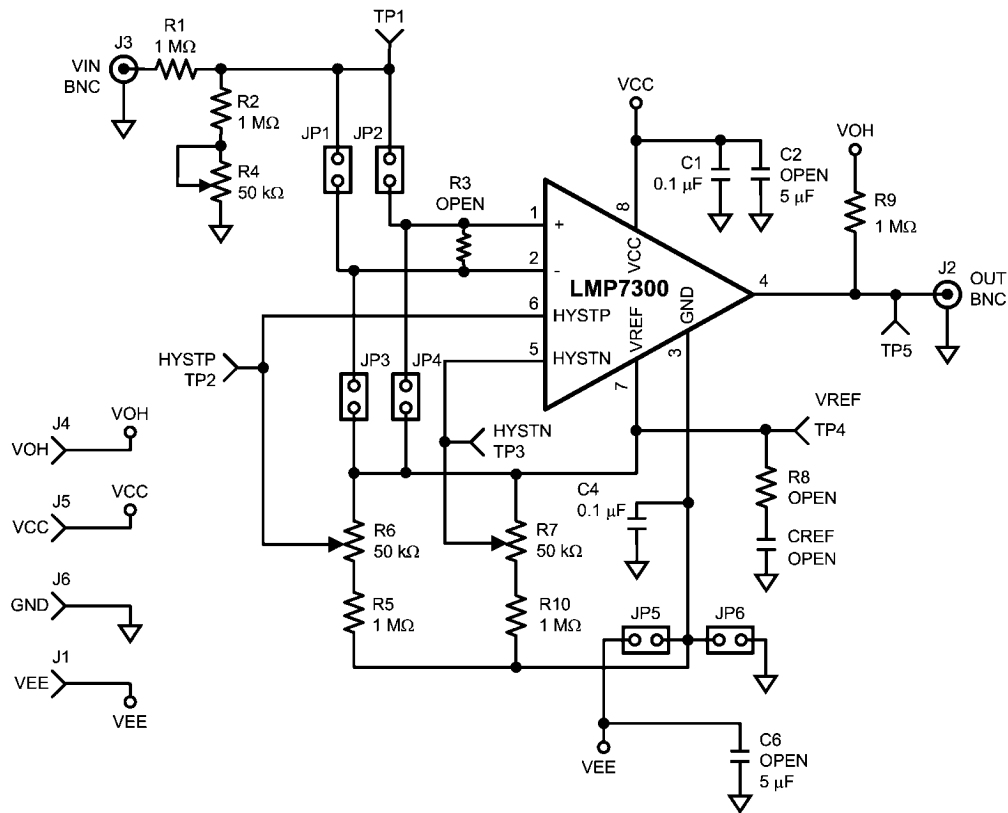
The hysteresis for the LMP7300, unlike most comparators, is totally independent of the supply, the input conditions, or the output connections. The part design allows for five hysteresis settings: asymmetric, symmetric, positive only, negative only, or none. The hysteresis is easily determined by two resistors in a voltage divider format with the precision 2.048V voltage reference tied to the top resistor and ground set to the bottom. The center voltage tap is connected to device pin HYSTP, or HYSTN to fix the hysteresis at 1 mV/mV . Trim potentiometers R6 and R7 are provided for quick and easy resolution of the proper hysteresis. Resistors R5 and R10 are set to $1\text{ M}\Omega$ to establish $\sim 2\text{ }\mu\text{A}$ current through the divider to ground. The hysteresis is the voltage measured across the trim potentiometer resistance or V_{REF} - the voltage at the voltage divider center tap. A maximum of 100 to 130 mV is recommended.

Reconfigure Application with Jumper Pins

- For negative threshold detection: The input signal V_{IN} is normally above the threshold, dropping below the threshold. Connect V_{IN} to the non-inverting input with JP2, and V_{REF} to the inverting input with JP3
- For positive threshold detection: The input signal V_{IN} is normally below the threshold, rising above the threshold. Connect V_{IN} to the inverting input with JP1, and V_{REF} to the non-inverting input with JP4.
- For split supply use JP5.
- For single supply use JP6.

Bypassing the Voltage Reference

In noisy supply line applications, bypassing the voltage reference to improve line regulation with respect to supply line transients is recommended. The reference output can drive a bypass capacitance of $0.05\text{ }\mu\text{F}$, with minimum peaking and no oscillation. For larger capacitors, add a small value of resistance in series with the capacitor. A 190Ω resistor in series with a $5\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ceramic capacitor is recommended.



30022301

FIGURE 1. Evaluation Board Schematic

Output Stage

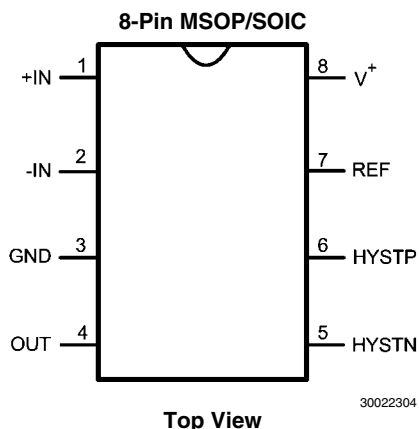
The comparator employs an open collector output stage that can drive both voltage and current loads, such as solenoids, lamps, heater, etc. Since the pull-up resistor can be taken to any voltage between 0.5V and 12V, independent of the comparator supply voltage, interfacing with mixed voltage systems is straight forward. The open collector design also

permits wired-OR connection to the multiple comparator outputs. This output stage easily interfaces with various logic inputs, such as TTL and CMOS. When the positive input is above the negative input, the output is in an off or high state. The output voltage high level is determined by the pull-up supply. For the reverse condition, when the positive input is below the negative input, the output is in an on or low state. The maximum load current is around 10 mA for a low state.

TABLE 1. Bill of Materials

ID	Part Number	Type	Size	Parameters	Qty	Vendor
U1	LMP7300	Comparator	8-Pin SOIC/MSOP		1	NSC
R8	P191CCT-ND	Resistor	805	190Ω, 1%, 1/8W, Open	1	Digi-Key
R1, R2, R5, R9, R10	P100MCCT-ND	Resistor	805	1.00 MΩ, 1%, 1/8W	5	Digi-Key
R4, R6, R7	3299Y-503LF-ND	Potentiometer		50 kΩ, 1/2W	3	Digi-Key
JP1 - JP6	929450-01-36-ND	Header	2-pin, 0.1"		6	Digi-Key
C1, C4	PCC1828CT-ND	Capacitor	805	0.1 μF, X7R, 10%, 25V	2	Digi-Key
C2, C6, CREF		Capacitor		5 μF, X7R, 10%, 25V, Open	3	Digi-Key
J2, J3	22C4690	BNC		PCB Edge Mount	2	Newark
J1	5009K-ND	LG Test Point		Yellow	1	Digi-Key
J4	5007K-ND	LG Test Point		White	1	Digi-Key
J5	5005K-ND	LG Test Point		Red	1	Digi-Key
J6	5006K-ND	LG Test Point		Black	1	Digi-Key
TP1 – TP5	5004K-ND	Test Point		Black	5	Digi-Key
Jumper Shunt	5900D	Short	2 pin, 0.1"	0Ω Black		Digi-Key

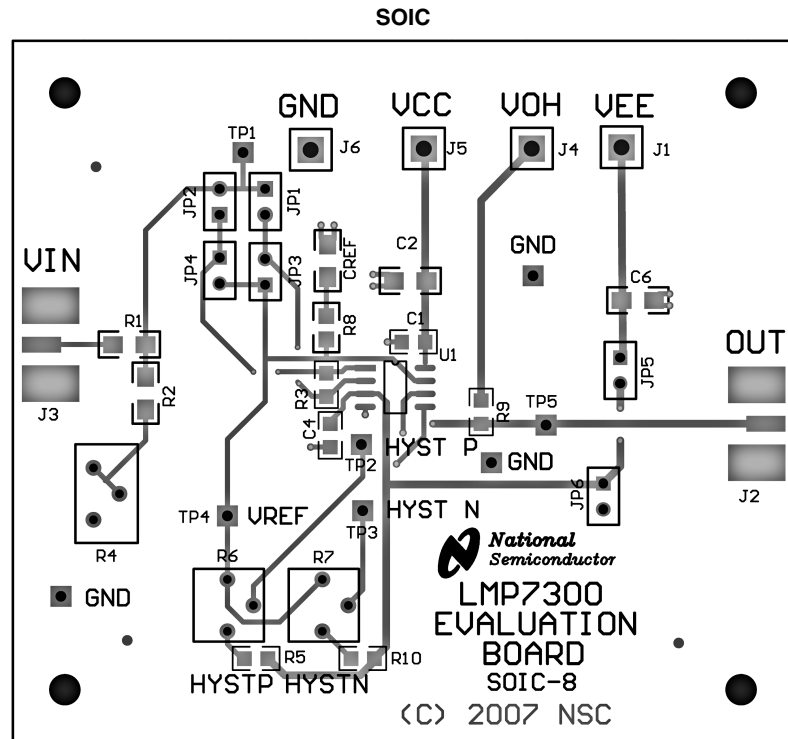
Connection Diagram



Pin Descriptions

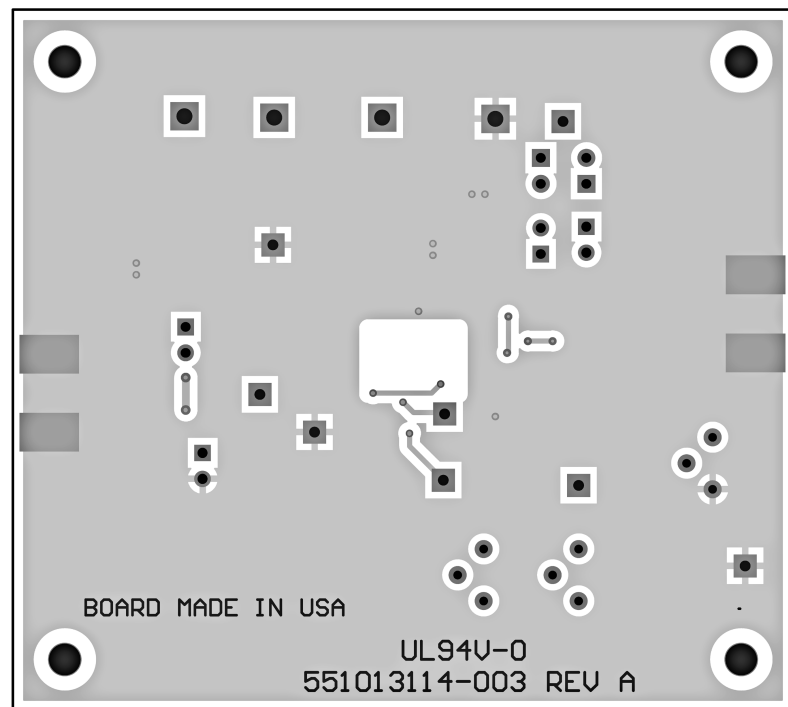
+IN	Non-Inverting Comparator Input	The +IN has a common-mode voltage range from 1V above the negative rail to, and including, the positive rail. Internal ESD diodes, connected from the +IN pin to the rails, protect the input stage from overvoltage. If the input voltage exceeds the rails, the diodes turn on and clamp the input to a safe level.
-IN	Inverting Comparator Input	The -IN has a common-mode voltage range from 1V above the negative rail to, and including, the positive rail. Internal ESD diodes, connected from the -IN pin to the rails, protect the input stage from overvoltage. If the input voltage exceeds the rails, the diodes turn on and clamp the input to a safe level.
GND	Ground	This pin may be connected to a negative DC voltage source for applications requiring a dual supply. If connected to a negative supply, decouple this pin with 0.1 μ F ceramic capacitor to ground. The internal reference output voltage is referenced to this pin. GND is the die substrate connection.
OUT	Comparator Output	The output is an open-collector. It can drive voltage loads by using a pullup resistor, drive current loads by sinking a maximum output current. This pin may be taken to maximum of +12V with respect to the ground pin, irrespective of supply voltage.
HYSTN	Negative Hysteresis Pin	This pin sets the lower trip voltage V_{IL} . The common mode range is from 1V above the negative rail to V_{CC} . The input signal must fall below V_{IL} for the comparator to switch from high to low state.
HYSTP	Positive Hysteresis pin	This pin sets the upper trip voltage V_{IH} . The common mode range is from 1V above the negative rail to V_{CC} . The input signal must rise above V_{IH} for the comparator to switch from low to high state.
REF	Reference Voltage Output Pin	This is the output pin of a 2.048V band gap precision reference.
V+	Positive Supply Terminal	The supply voltage range is 2.7V to 12V. Decouple this pin with 0.1 μ F ceramic capacitor to ground.

Board Layout



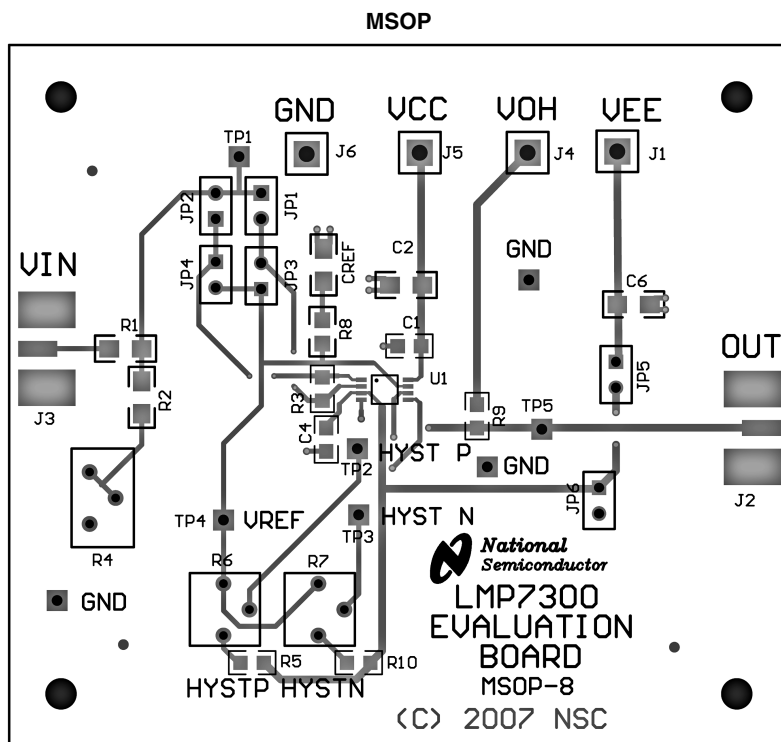
30022308

FIGURE 2. Top Layer



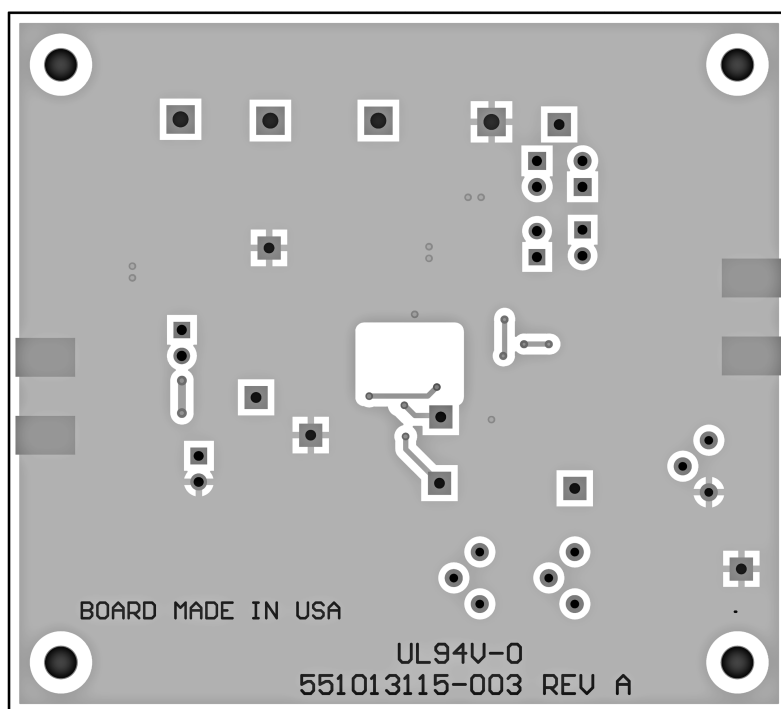
30022307

FIGURE 3. Bottom Layer



30022306

FIGURE 4. Top Layer



30022305

FIGURE 5. Bottom Layer

Notes

For more National Semiconductor product information and proven design tools, visit the following Web sites at:

Products		Design Support	
Amplifiers	www.national.com/amplifiers	WEBENCH	www.national.com/webench
Audio	www.national.com/audio	Analog University	www.national.com/AU
Clock Conditioners	www.national.com/timing	App Notes	www.national.com/appnotes
Data Converters	www.national.com/adac	Distributors	www.national.com/contacts
Displays	www.national.com/displays	Green Compliance	www.national.com/quality/green
Ethernet	www.national.com/ethernet	Packaging	www.national.com/packaging
Interface	www.national.com/interface	Quality and Reliability	www.national.com/quality
LVDS	www.national.com/lvds	Reference Designs	www.national.com/refdesigns
Power Management	www.national.com/power	Feedback	www.national.com/feedback
Switching Regulators	www.national.com/switchers		
LDOs	www.national.com/ldo		
LED Lighting	www.national.com/led		
PowerWise	www.national.com/powerwise		
Serial Digital Interface (SDI)	www.national.com/sdi		
Temperature Sensors	www.national.com/tempsensors		
Wireless (PLL/VCO)	www.national.com/wireless		

THE CONTENTS OF THIS DOCUMENT ARE PROVIDED IN CONNECTION WITH NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION ("NATIONAL") PRODUCTS. NATIONAL MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES WITH RESPECT TO THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS PUBLICATION AND RESERVES THE RIGHT TO MAKE CHANGES TO SPECIFICATIONS AND PRODUCT DESCRIPTIONS AT ANY TIME WITHOUT NOTICE. NO LICENSE, WHETHER EXPRESS, IMPLIED, ARISING BY ESTOPPEL OR OTHERWISE, TO ANY INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS IS GRANTED BY THIS DOCUMENT.

TESTING AND OTHER QUALITY CONTROLS ARE USED TO THE EXTENT NATIONAL DEEMS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT NATIONAL'S PRODUCT WARRANTY. EXCEPT WHERE MANDATED BY GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENTS, TESTING OF ALL PARAMETERS OF EACH PRODUCT IS NOT NECESSARILY PERFORMED. NATIONAL ASSUMES NO LIABILITY FOR APPLICATIONS ASSISTANCE OR BUYER PRODUCT DESIGN. BUYERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR PRODUCTS AND APPLICATIONS USING NATIONAL COMPONENTS. PRIOR TO USING OR DISTRIBUTING ANY PRODUCTS THAT INCLUDE NATIONAL COMPONENTS, BUYERS SHOULD PROVIDE ADEQUATE DESIGN, TESTING AND OPERATING SAFEGUARDS.

EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN NATIONAL'S TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE FOR SUCH PRODUCTS, NATIONAL ASSUMES NO LIABILITY WHATSOEVER, AND NATIONAL DISCLAIMS ANY EXPRESS OR IMPLIED WARRANTY RELATING TO THE SALE AND/OR USE OF NATIONAL PRODUCTS INCLUDING LIABILITY OR WARRANTIES RELATING TO FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE, MERCHANTABILITY, OR INFRINGEMENT OF ANY PATENT, COPYRIGHT OR OTHER INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHT.

LIFE SUPPORT POLICY

NATIONAL'S PRODUCTS ARE NOT AUTHORIZED FOR USE AS CRITICAL COMPONENTS IN LIFE SUPPORT DEVICES OR SYSTEMS WITHOUT THE EXPRESS PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND GENERAL COUNSEL OF NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CORPORATION. As used herein:

Life support devices or systems are devices which (a) are intended for surgical implant into the body, or (b) support or sustain life and whose failure to perform when properly used in accordance with instructions for use provided in the labeling can be reasonably expected to result in a significant injury to the user. A critical component is any component in a life support device or system whose failure to perform can be reasonably expected to cause the failure of the life support device or system or to affect its safety or effectiveness.

National Semiconductor and the National Semiconductor logo are registered trademarks of National Semiconductor Corporation. All other brand or product names may be trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective holders.

Copyright© 2008 National Semiconductor Corporation

For the most current product information visit us at www.national.com



**National Semiconductor
Americas Technical
Support Center**
Email: support@nsc.com
Tel: 1-800-272-9959

**National Semiconductor Europe
Technical Support Center**
Email: europe.support@nsc.com
German Tel: +49 (0) 180 5010 771
English Tel: +44 (0) 870 850 4288

**National Semiconductor Asia
Pacific Technical Support Center**
Email: ap.support@nsc.com

**National Semiconductor Japan
Technical Support Center**
Email: jpn.feedback@nsc.com