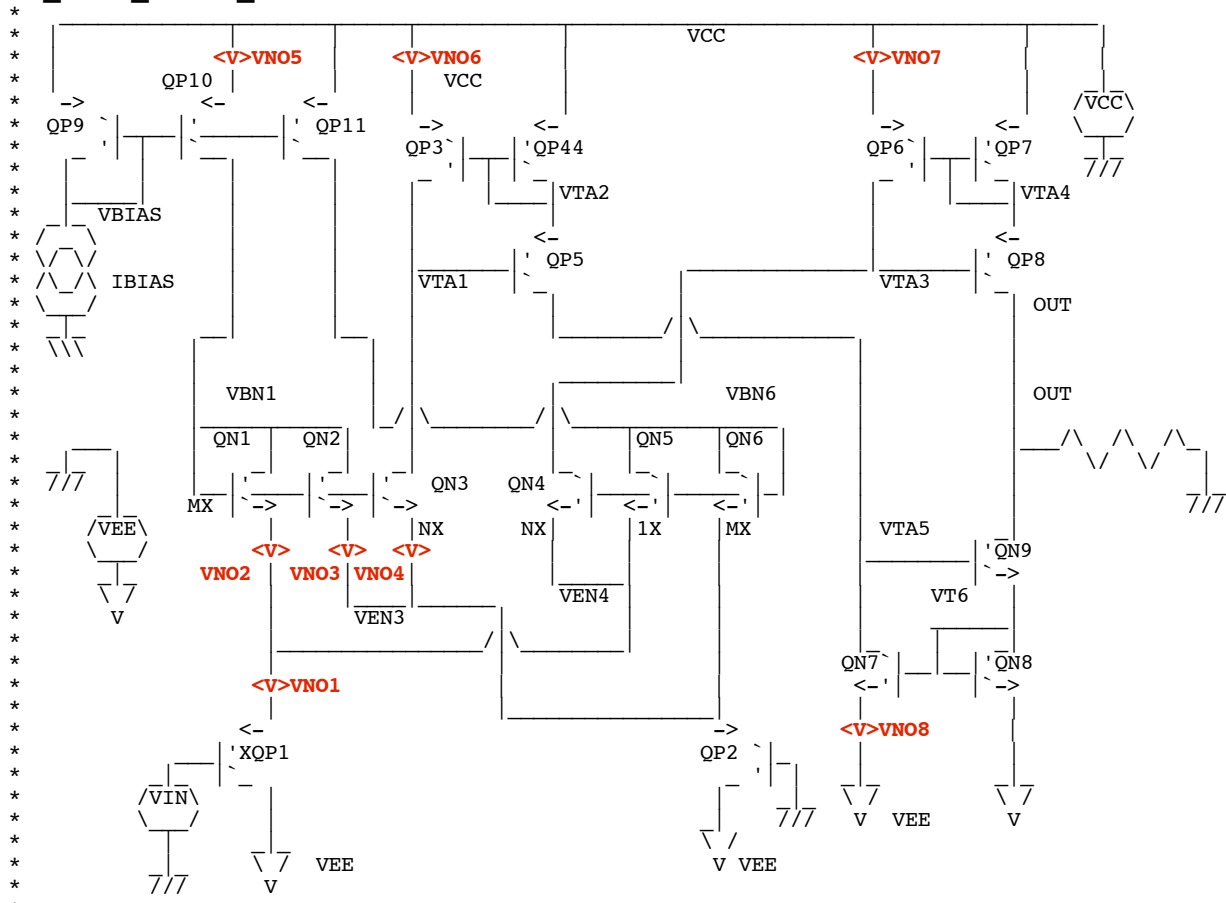


# AB\_Bias\_Audio\_OffsetNoise



```

*
*.OPTIONS GMIN=1e-12 METHOD=trap srcsteps = 1 gminsteps = 1
*.OPTIONS ITL1=400 ITL2=100 ITL6=100
*.OPTIONS RELTOL=.001 ABSTOL=1p VNTOL=1u

```

```

*=====
VCC      VCC      0      DC      2
VEE      0      VEE      DC      2
VIN      VIN      0      DC      0
IBIAS    VBIAS    0      .16u
QP9      VBIAS    VBIAS    VCC     PNP1    1
QP10     VBN1    VBIAS    VCCB    PNP1    1
QP11     VBN6    VBIAS    VCC     PNP1    1
QP1      VEE      VIN      VEN4B   PNP1    1
QP2      VEE      0      VEN3    PNP1    1
QP3      VTA1    VTA2    VCC     PNP1    1
QP4      VTA2    VTA2    VCC     PNP1    1
QP5      VTA5    VTA1    VTA2    PNP1    1
QP6      VTA3    VTA7    VCCD    PNP1    1
QP7      VTA7    VTA7    VCC     PNP1    1
QP8      OUT     VTA3    VTA7    PNP1    1

QN7      VTA5    VTA6    VEEB    NPN1    1
QN8      VTA6    VTA6    VEE     NPN1    1
QN9      OUT     VTA5    VTA6    NPN1    1

R1       OUT     0      1
QN1      VBN1    VBN1    VEN4C   NPN1    4.5
QN6      VBN6    VBN6    VEN3    NPN1    4.5
QN2      VBN1    VBN1    VEN3B   NPN1    1
QN5      VBN6    VBN6    VEN4    NPN1    1
QN3      VTA1    VBN1    VEN3C   NPN1    15
QN4      VTA3    VBN6    VEN4    NPN1    15

VNO1     VEN4    VEN4B   DC      0
VNO2     VEN4    VEN4C   DC      0
VNO3     VEN3    VEN3B   DC      0
VNO4     VEN3    VEN3C   DC      0
VNO5     VCC     VCCB    DC      0
VNO6     VCC     VCC     DC      0

```

```
VNO7      VCC      VCCD    DC      0
VNO8      VEE      VEEB    DC      0
```

### .control

```
setplot new
set thisData =      data
let $thisData =      0 * vector(38)
set thisData2 =     data2
let $thisData2 =     0 * vector(38)
```

```
let n=0
repeat 17
let      unknown.{$thisData2}[n] = n
let n=n+1
endrepeat
```

### \*=====Geometry\_Sensitivity=====

```
* Add a voltage source in series with one transistor for each matched pair
* measure the effect of adding a standart error (1mV or 1%)
* Store all gain and offset results for each transistor
* Calibrate each transistor to its area and processing expectations
```

### \*#0=====Define\_1X\_NPN\_and\_PNPL\_and\_RB\_Offset=====

```
let      npnoff = .6m
let      pnpoff = 1.1m
let      rboff  = .005
let      unknown.{$thisData}[0] = npnoff
let      unknown.{$thisData}[1] = pnpoff
let      unknown.{$thisData}[2] = rboff
let      npnbf  = @NPN1[bf]
let      pnpbf  = @PNP1[bf]
let      npnrb  = @NPN1[rb]
let      pnprb  = @PNP1[rb]
```

```
echo      "Process Expectations  "
echo      "NPN_offset   = $&nnpoff  "
echo      "NPN_beta     = $&nnpbf   "
echo      "NPN_rbase    = $&nprb    "
echo      "PNPL_offset  = $&pnpoff  "
echo      "PNPL_beta    = $&pnpbf   "
echo      "PNPL_rbase   = $&pnprb   "
echo      "Rbase_offset = $&rboff   "
echo      ""
```

### \*#0=====Measure\_With\_No\_Errors=====

```
op
let      unknown.{$thisData}[3] = out
let      ibb   = @ibias[dc]
let      icc   = -1*vcc#branch
echo      "Ibias      = $&ibb  "
echo      "Isupply    = $&icc  "
echo      ""
```

### \*=====Measure\_Offset\_Gain\_Each\_Transistor=====

```
* Add 1mV offset one at a time to each transistor
* Measure change at output
* Store gain and offset results for each transistor
* measure transistor area
* calculate each transistors offset from area and npnoff, pnpoff, and rboff
```

### \*#1=====Measure\_OTA\_gm\_At\_1mV=====

```
alter    vin      dc = 1m
op
let      gm = abs(out- unknown.{$thisData}[3]) /1m
let      unknown.{$thisData}[4] = gm
alter    vin      dc = 0
```

### \*#2=====Measure\_VNO1\_effect=====

```
alter    vno1     dc = 1m
op
let      procOff = unknown.{$thisData}[1]
let      Tarea   = @qp1[area]
let      Ioutref = unknown.{$thisData}[3]
let      gm       = unknown.{$thisData}[4]
let      vingain  = 1000*(out - Ioutref)/gm
let      pairOff  = (1/Tarea)^.5*procOff
let      vinoff   = pairOff*vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[5] = vingain
```

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let      unknown.{$thisData}[6] = vinoff
echo    "Pair      ProcOff Area Pair_Off Gain2Vin Vin_Offset "
echo    "QP1/QP2   $&procOff   $&Tarea   $&pairOff   $&vingain   $&vinoff"

*#3=====Measure_VNO2_effect=====
alter   vno1   dc = 0
alter   vno2   dc = 1m
op
let      procOff = unknown.{$thisData}[0]
let      Tarea   = @qn1[area]
let      Ioutref = unknown.{$thisData}[3]
let      gm      = unknown.{$thisData}[4]
let      vingain = 1000*(out - Ioutref)/gm
let      pairOff = (1/Tarea)^.5*procOff
let      vinoff  = pairOff*vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[7] = vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[8] = vinoff
echo    "QN1/QN6   $&procOff   $&Tarea   $&pairOff   $&vingain   $&vinoff"

*#4=====Measure_VNO3_effect=====
alter   vno2   dc = 0
alter   vno3   dc = 1m
op
let      procOff = unknown.{$thisData}[0]
let      Tarea   = @qn2[area]
let      Ioutref = unknown.{$thisData}[3]
let      gm      = unknown.{$thisData}[4]
let      vingain = 1000*(out - Ioutref)/gm
let      pairOff = (1/Tarea)^.5*procOff
let      vinoff  = pairOff*vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[9] = vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[10] = vinoff
echo    "QN2/QN5   $&procOff   $&Tarea   $&pairOff   $&vingain   $&vinoff"

*#5=====Measure_VNO4_effect=====
alter   vno3   dc = 0
alter   vno4   dc = 1m
op
let      procOff = unknown.{$thisData}[0]
let      Tarea   = @qn3[area]
let      Ioutref = unknown.{$thisData}[3]
let      gm      = unknown.{$thisData}[4]
let      vingain = 1000*(out - Ioutref)/gm
let      pairOff = (1/Tarea)^.5*procOff
let      vinoff  = pairOff*vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[11] = vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[12] = vinoff
echo    "QN3/QN4   $&procOff   $&Tarea   $&pairOff   $&vingain   $&vinoff"

*#6=====Measure_VNO5_effect=====
alter   vno4   dc = 0
alter   vno5   dc = 1m
op
let      procOff = unknown.{$thisData}[1]
let      Tarea   = @qp10[area]
let      Ioutref = unknown.{$thisData}[3]
let      gm      = unknown.{$thisData}[4]
let      vingain = 1000*(out - Ioutref)/gm
let      pairOff = (1/Tarea)^.5*procOff
let      vinoff  = pairOff*vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[13] = vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[14] = vinoff
echo    "QP10/QP11 $&procOff   $&Tarea   $&pairOff   $&vingain   $&vinoff"

*#7=====Measure_VNO6_effect=====
alter   vno5   dc = 0
alter   vno6   dc = 1m
op
let      procOff = unknown.{$thisData}[1]
let      Tarea   = @qp3[area]
let      Ioutref = unknown.{$thisData}[3]
let      gm      = unknown.{$thisData}[4]
let      vingain = 1000*(out - Ioutref)/gm
let      pairOff = (1/Tarea)^.5*procOff
let      vinoff  = pairOff*vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[15] = vingain
let      unknown.{$thisData}[16] = vinoff
echo    "QP3/QP4   $&procOff   $&Tarea   $&pairOff   $&vingain   $&vinoff"

*#8=====Measure_VNO7_effect=====
alter   vno6   dc = 0
alter   vno7   dc = 1m
op
let      procOff = unknown.{$thisData}[1]

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let      Tarea   = @qp6[area]
let      Ioutref = unknown.{ $thisData}[3]
let      gm      = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      vingain = 1000*(out - Ioutref)/gm
let      pairOff = (1/Tarea)^.5*procOff
let      vinoff  = pairOff*vingain
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[17] = vingain
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[18] = vinoff
echo     "QP6/QP7   $&procOff   $&Tarea   $&pairOff   $&vingain   $&vinoff"

*#9=====Measure_VN08_effect=====
alter   vno7   dc = 0
alter   vno8   dc = 1m
op
let      procOff = unknown.{ $thisData}[0]
let      Tarea   = @qn7[area]
let      Ioutref = unknown.{ $thisData}[3]
let      gm      = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      vingain = 1000*(out - Ioutref)/gm
let      pairOff = (1/Tarea)^.5*procOff
let      vinoff  = pairOff*vingain
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[19] = vingain
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[20] = vinoff
echo     "QN7/QN8   $&procOff   $&Tarea   $&pairOff   $&vingain   $&vinoff"

*#10=====Add_Up_total_offset=====
let      off1    = unknown.{ $thisData}[6]
let      off2    = unknown.{ $thisData}[8]
let      off3    = unknown.{ $thisData}[10]
let      off4    = unknown.{ $thisData}[12]
let      off5    = unknown.{ $thisData}[14]
let      off6    = unknown.{ $thisData}[16]
let      off7    = unknown.{ $thisData}[18]
let      off8    = unknown.{ $thisData}[20]
let      Vin_total = (off1^2+off2^2+off3^2+off4^2+off5^2+off6^2+off7^2+off8^2 )^.5

echo     " "
echo     "Total referred to input offset   $&Vin_total"
echo     " "

*#8=====Measure_Maximum_Iout=====
alter   vno8   dc = 0
alter   vin    dc = -430m
op
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[22] = out
*echo   "Clipping +/- output current           $&out A"

alter   vin    dc = 0
op

*====Calculating_Noise_Each_Transistor=====
* Find Area and Emitter current for each transistor (Qn)
* Noise Resistance = (kt/q)/(2*Ie) + Rb/area
* Input_noise_Qn = 4.07nV/rtHz*sqrt(Noise Resistance/1000)
* output_noise_Qn = output_noiseQn*Gain_Qn

*#7=====Calc_VN01_effect_On_Noise=====
let      icc     = @qp1[ic]
let      Tarea   = @qp1[area]
let      rbb     = @PNP1[rb]/Tarea
let      NoiseR  = rbb + 13m/icc
let      NoiseP  = 4.07n*(2*NoiseR/1000)^.5
let      Gain2in = unknown.{ $thisData}[5]
let      VinNois = abs(NoiseP*Gain2in)
let      gm      = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      IoutNo  = VinNois*gm
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[23] = VinNois
echo     "Pair   Ic      NoiseRes   Pair_Noise   Gain2Vin   VnoiseIn_rtHz   OutNoise_rtHz"
echo     "QP1/QP2  $&icc   $&NoiseR   $&NoiseP   $&Gain2in   $&VinNois   $&IoutNo"

*#8=====Calc_VN02_effect_On_Noise=====
let      icc     = @qn1[ic]
let      Tarea   = @qn1[area]
let      rbb     = @NPN1[rb]/Tarea
let      NoiseR  = rbb + 13m/icc
let      NoiseP  = 4.07e-9*(2*NoiseR/1000)^.5
let      Gain2in = unknown.{ $thisData}[7]
let      VinNois = abs(NoiseP*Gain2in)
let      gm      = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      IoutNo  = VinNois*gm
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[24] = VinNois
echo     "QN1/QN6  $&icc   $&NoiseR   $&NoiseP   $&Gain2in   $&VinNois   $&IoutNo"

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*#9=====Calc_VNO3_effect_On_Noise=====
let      icc      = @qn2[ic]
let      Tarea    = @qn2[area]
let      rbb      = @NPN1[rb]/Tarea
let      NoiseR   = rbb + 13m/icc
let      NoiseP   = 4.07e-9*(2*NoiseR/1000)^.5
let      Gain2in  = unknown.{ $thisData}[9]
let      VinNois  = abs(NoiseP*Gain2in)
let      gm       = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      IoutNo   = VinNois*gm
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[25] = VinNois
echo     "QN2/QN5  $&icc  $&NoiseR  $&NoiseP  $&Gain2in  $&VinNois  $&IoutNo"

*#10=====Calc_VNO4_effect_On_Noise=====
let      icc      = @qn3[ic]
let      Tarea    = @qn3[area]
let      rbb      = @NPN1[rb]/Tarea
let      NoiseR   = rbb + 13m/icc
let      NoiseP   = 4.07e-9*(2*NoiseR/1000)^.5
let      Gain2in  = unknown.{ $thisData}[11]
let      VinNois  = abs(NoiseP*Gain2in)
let      gm       = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      IoutNo   = VinNois*gm
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[26] = VinNois
echo     "QN3/QN4  $&icc  $&NoiseR  $&NoiseP  $&Gain2in  $&VinNois  $&IoutNo"

*#10=====Calc_VNO5_effect_On_Noise=====
let      icc      = @qp10[ic]
let      Tarea    = @qp10[area]
let      rbb      = @PNP1[rb]/Tarea
let      NoiseR   = rbb + 13m/icc
let      NoiseP   = 4.07e-9*(2*NoiseR/1000)^.5
let      Gain2in  = unknown.{ $thisData}[13]
let      VinNois  = abs(NoiseP*Gain2in)
let      gm       = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      IoutNo   = VinNois*gm
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[27] = VinNois
echo     "QP10/QP11  $&icc  $&NoiseR  $&NoiseP  $&Gain2in  $&VinNois  $&IoutNo"

*#10=====Calc_VNO6_effect_On_Noise=====
let      icc      = @qp3[ic]
let      Tarea    = @qp3[area]
let      rbb      = @PNP1[rb]/Tarea
let      NoiseR   = rbb + 13m/icc
let      NoiseP   = 4.07e-9*(2*NoiseR/1000)^.5
let      Gain2in  = unknown.{ $thisData}[15]
let      VinNois  = abs(NoiseP*Gain2in)
let      gm       = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      IoutNo   = VinNois*gm
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[28] = VinNois
echo     "QP3/QP4  $&icc  $&NoiseR  $&NoiseP  $&Gain2in  $&VinNois  $&IoutNo"

*#10=====Calc_VNO7_effect_On_Noise=====
let      icc      = @qp6[ic]
let      Tarea    = @qp6[area]
let      rbb      = @PNP1[rb]/Tarea
let      NoiseR   = rbb + 13m/icc
let      NoiseP   = 4.07e-9*(2*NoiseR/1000)^.5
let      Gain2in  = unknown.{ $thisData}[17]
let      VinNois  = abs(NoiseP*Gain2in)
let      gm       = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      IoutNo   = VinNois*gm
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[29] = VinNois
echo     "QP6/QP7  $&icc  $&NoiseR  $&NoiseP  $&Gain2in  $&VinNois  $&IoutNo"

*#10=====Calc_VNO8_effect_On_Noise=====
let      icc      = @qn7[ic]
let      Tarea    = @qn7[area]
let      rbb      = @PNP1[rb]/Tarea
let      NoiseR   = rbb + 13m/icc
let      NoiseP   = 4.07e-9*(2*NoiseR/1000)^.5
let      Gain2in  = unknown.{ $thisData}[19]
let      VinNois  = abs(NoiseP*Gain2in)
let      gm       = unknown.{ $thisData}[4]
let      IoutNo   = VinNois*gm
let      unknown.{ $thisData}[30] = VinNois
echo     "QN7/QN8  $&icc  $&NoiseR  $&NoiseP  $&Gain2in  $&VinNois  $&IoutNo"

*#11=====Add_Up_All_Noise=====
let      off1     = unknown.{ $thisData}[23]
let      off2     = unknown.{ $thisData}[24]

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let      off3  = unknown.{$thisData}[25]
let      off4  = unknown.{$thisData}[26]
let      off5  = unknown.{$thisData}[27]
let      off6  = unknown.{$thisData}[28]
let      off7  = unknown.{$thisData}[29]
let      off8  = unknown.{$thisData}[30]
let      Vin_T = (off1^2+off2^2+off3^2+off4^2+off5^2+off6^2+off7^2+off8^2 )^.5
let      Out_T = Vin_T*gm
let      ibb   = @ibias[dc]
let      ibb   = unknown.{$thisData}[22]
let      SigNo = 20*log(ibb/(Out_T*141)) -3

let      Rgm   = 1/unknown.{$thisData}[4]
let      Vin_max = ibb*Rgm

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echo      " "
echo      "Rgm (vin/iout)                $&Rgm Ohms"
echo      "Total referred to input noise_rthz $&Vin_T V"
echo      "Vin maxium                      $&Vin_max V"
echo      "Total output current noise_rthz  $&Out_T A"
echo      "Clipping +/- output current     $&ibb A"
echo      "Clipping 20-20KHz output S/N    $&SigNo dB"

echo      " "

```

.endc

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*===== models Using Near Perfect Transistors =====
.model  NPN1  NPN( BF = 200  VAF = 100  rb=400 )
.model  PNP1  PNP( BF = 30   VAF = 150  rb=900 )
*=====

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.end

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### Circuit: AB\_Bias\_Audio\_OffsetNoise

```

Process      Expectations
NPN_offset  = 0.0006
NPN_beta    = 200
NPN_rbase   = 400
PNPL_offset = 0.0011
PNPL_beta   = 30
PNPL_rbase  = 900
Rbase_offset = 0.005

```

```

Ibias       = 1.6E-07
Isupply     = 2.00566E-06

```

Pair	ProcOff	Area	Pair_Off	Gain2Vin	Vin_Offset
QP1/QP2	0.0011	1	0.0011	-1.00016	-0.00110018
QN1/QN6	0.0006	4.5	0.00028	0.490909	0.00013885
QN2/QN5	0.0006	1	0.0006	0.210912	0.000126547
QN3/QN4	0.0006	15	0.000154	-0.71612	-0.000110941
QP10/QP11	0.0011	1	0.0011	0.872016	0.000959218
QP3/QP4	0.0011	1	0.0011	-1.38178	-0.00151996
QP6/QP7	0.0011	1	0.0011	1.38921	0.00152813
QN7/QN8	0.0006	1	0.0006	1.40827	0.000844963

Total referred to input offset **0.00274545**

Pair	Ic	NoiseRes	Pair_Noise	Gain2Vin	VnoiseIn_rthz	OutNoise_rthz
QP1/QP2	5.18398E-07	25977.3	2.93363E-08	-1.00016	2.93412E-08	3.01488E-13
QN1/QN6	1.17124E-07	111083	6.06642E-08	0.490909	2.97806E-08	3.06002E-13
QN2/QN5	2.60279E-08	499865	1.28687E-07	0.210912	2.71417E-08	2.78887E-13
QN3/QN4	3.89535E-07	33399.8	3.32645E-08	-0.71612	2.38214E-08	2.4477E-13
QP10/QP11	1.4582E-07	90051.3	5.46203E-08	0.872016	4.76298E-08	4.89407E-13
QP3/QP4	3.76745E-07	35406.1	3.42491E-08	-1.38178	4.73247E-08	4.86272E-13
QP6/QP7	3.76675E-07	35412.5	3.42521E-08	1.38921	4.75833E-08	4.88929E-13
QN7/QN8	3.85655E-07	34608.9	3.38613E-08	1.40827	4.76858E-08	4.89983E-13

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Rgm (vin/iout)                97321.4 Ohms
Total referred to input noise_rthz 1.09992E-07 V
Vin maxium                     0.196217 V
Total output current noise_rthz 1.13019E-12 A

```

Clipping +/- output current                    **2.01617E-06 A**  
 Clipping 20-20KHz output S/N                **79.0431 dB**

=====AB\_Bias\_Input\_Comparision=====

Since the signal to noise ratio is supply current dependent, the comparison needs to be made at a common 2uA supply current level. This simulation allows the introduction of expected process parameters such as base resistance, beta, and offset. Spice's "alter" feature is used to find individually the contributions of each and every matched pair to the over all performance.

The comparing the AB\_Bias Input OTA to a LM3080 Input OTA

	AB_BIAS	LM3080
1) measure supply current	= 2.045uA	2.0uA
2) Measure Max output current	= +/- <b>2.016uA_pk</b>	+/- <b>.97uA_pk</b>
3) Measure Max Vin extrapolate	= +/- 196mV_pk	+/- 51mV_pk
4) Measure Offset_V	= +/- <b>2.7mV_sd</b>	+/- <b>1.6mV_sd</b>
5) Measure Offset_Iout %Imax	= +/- <b>1.36 %</b>	+/- <b>3.2 %</b>
6) Measure input noise_rHz	= +/- <b>110nV_rms</b>	+/- <b>56nV_rms</b>
7) Measure 1% THD output current	= +/- 1.50uA_pk	+/- .334uA_pk
8) Measure 1% THD input V	= +/- <b>146mV_pk</b>	+/- <b>18mV_pk</b>
9) Measured Rgm = Vin/Iout	= 97Kohms	51Kohms
10) Total Output Shot Noise	= 159pA_rms	151pA_rms
11) Signal to Noise Clipping	= <b>79.0dB</b>	<b>73dB</b>
12) Signal to Noise 1% THD	= <b>76.4dB</b>	63.5dB

The maximum output current of the AB\_bias circuit is twice that of the normal input stage. Since there are a lot more transistors in the AB\_Bias input stage, both the referred-to input noise and offset will have to increase. But since the AB\_Bias stage can handle much higher signal levels, there is about a **factor of two improvement** in both offset and noise when operating at the 100% signal levels. With distortion an issue, the AB\_Bias input can run at about 75% at a 1% distortion. The Dual differential input will be at the 62% level. A non pre-distorted LM3080 is at a 35% level. In theory a perfect pre-distortion stage can take a LM3080 up to a 100% level. But even when the supply current of a perfect pre-distortion stage is high enough so that it will not effect the signal to noise ratio, the signal to noise ratio will still be 3dB lower than for the AB\_Bias Input stage.

Graph 2 - unknown185: AB\_BIAS THD\_% vs Vin\_pK and Temp\_C

