

PowerAmp Design

EVALUATION KIT FOR MODELS PAD137

EVAL137

Rev B

INTRODUCTION

The EVAL137 evaluation kit provides a convenient method to become familiar with the operation of amplifier model PAD137 before your application circuit is committed to production. Some assembly is required since user selections are needed depending on the application. For example, a current limit resistor value needs to be selected by the user. Also, there are several PCB mounting options available.

Critical connections for power supply bypassing and compensation are pre-wired. Fold-over current limit components are not provided since each application will have different requirements. Connections are also provided for diode clamps on each power supply and the output for those applications in which significant inductive kickback may be found. Terminal strips are also provided for input and output signals and power. Sockets are also provided for the optional PAD125 Current Limit Accessory Modules as well as the PAD131 Fan Controller Accessory Module.

ASSEMBLY STEPS

Please note that the #1 cause of problems for evaluation kit users is not reading and following the directions (all of them). The #2 cause of problems is poor solder joints (cold or bridging). Don't become a statistic. ✓ each step.

Refer to the Illustrated Parts List for the components mentioned in the assembly steps. Note that some heavy PCB copper planes and some heavy component leads are soldered in this kit. This may require a larger soldering iron tip and/or higher soldering iron temperatures than might normally be used. These steps are marked with an asterisk (*).

- 1. Notice that the printed circuit board (PCB) is labeled on one side as the "DUT SIDE" and the other side as "CIRCUIT" side.
- 2. As shown in the illustrated parts list, one or more of PAD's accessory cage jack strip CJS01 was used in the assembly of this kit. It may be advisable to use the cage jack strips in your production circuit board as well. The CJS01 cage jack sockets provide a convenient and inexpensive socket. Soldering and/or de-soldering the amplifier from the circuit board can be extremely difficult due to the high thermal conductivity of the amplifier's pins and substrate. You can find the datasheet for the CJS01 on the PAD website under the "Accessory Modules" tab.
- 3. Refer to "Jumper Selection" below the Circuit Diagram for the EVAL137 on page 4. Install the required jumpers at the locations indicated depending on the option you have chosen. Jumpers of various lengths are included in this kit. Refer to the



Assembled EVAL137 with amplifier and optional accessory modules installed.

datasheet for the amplifier for complete information on current limit options. Jumpers for option 1 are already installed. Remove and replace the jumpers as needed for the option you have chosen.

- 4.* This step may require a soldering temperature higher than normal and/or a larger soldering iron tip. Three current limiting sense resistors, R_S , are provided; one 0.005 Ω , one 0.010 Ω and one 0.015 Ω . Refer to the data sheet for the PAD125 to determine which resistor value best fits your application (if you have chosen not to use the PAD125 module select the 0.005 Ω resistor or install a length of heavy buss wire into the outer two holes at the location for the sense resistor R_S). Smear a small amount of heat sink grease on the back of the selected resistor and then attach the resistor to heat sink HS1 at R_S with a 4-40 X 1/2" screw and nut. The plastic nut driver supplied with this kit will help here. Tighten the 4-40 resistor mounting hardware. Solder the resistor from the "CIRCUIT SIDE" of the PCB making sure that the holes are completely filled with solder.
- 5. D3 and D5 are transient voltage suppressor diodes and are not supplied since the type (breakdown voltage) varies with the application. They are not necessary for every application. They are most commonly used in application circuits where kickback from the load may force the supply voltage above the limits of the amplifier.
- 6. The evaluation kit PCB can be mounted in several ways. **Option 1- Chassis mount.** Use #6 standoffs and screws (not supplied) attached to the PCB at the four corners and center area of the PCB.
Option 2- Bench-top mount. Use the five rubber bumpers supplied. These are "stick-on" components. Remove the release paper from each bumper and apply the bumper to the square outlines on the "CIRCUIT SIDE" of the PCB.

Option 3- DIN rail mount. The PCB can be mounted to a 35mm DIN rail. For mounting the PCB to a DIN rail press the adaptors into the PCB in the holes at the edges of the PCB at locations 1 and 2 from the “CIRCUIT SIDE” of the PCB. Make sure that the plastic tines have fully spread out on the “DUT SIDE” of the PCB.

7. Components for locations R1-R7, D1, D2 are for the optional fold-over current limiting and are not supplied. Refer to the datasheet of the amplifier model to find out how to apply circuits that require these components.

8. Remove the 4 hex nuts from the mounting spacers of the amplifier.

9. Align the 4 studs of the mounting spacers with the mounting holes in the PCB. Be sure that the amplifier’s pin 1 aligns with pin 1 on the PCB. Slowly lower the amplifier into the PCB, making sure that the pins of the amplifier and the cage jacks mate. Push the amplifier into the PCB until the mounting spacers meet the PCB.

10. Fasten the amplifier to the PCB with the 4 hex nuts previously removed. Do not over-tighten the nuts as this may strip the mounting studs. The provided plastic nut starter can assist you here.

11. If necessary, strip 1/8” of insulation from the wires connected to the fan. Twist and tin the wire ends. Insert the red wire into the cage jack labeled “+” and the black or blue wire into the jack marked “-” at the location marked “FAN”. Or, if you plan to use the PAD131 Fan Controller Accessory Module, insert the fan wires similarly into the “+” and “-” cage jacks at the location marked “Fan Control”. Do not solder the fan wires into the PCB.

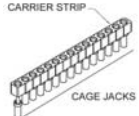

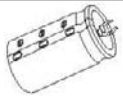



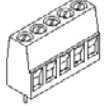
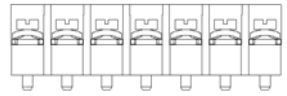



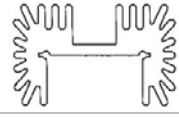
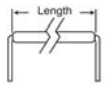




12. Use the bread-boarding area to add the external components necessary to program the amplifier gain and other circuit requirements to evaluate your application circuit. You can use the evaluation kit schematic and PCB views to map out your circuit.

13. Remember that the amplifier must be compensated to operate correctly. See the amplifier datasheet on Page 4, under PHASE COMPENSATION. The selected phase compensation capacitor will be installed at “C_C” on the evaluation kit PCB. A 470pF capacitor has already been installed in your kit. Another value may better suit your application. Remove and replace the capacitor as necessary for your application. A 100pF capacitor is also included with the kit. C_C must be rated for at least 100V. A temperature stable type capacitor is required—an X7R ceramic, for example, or an NPO type.

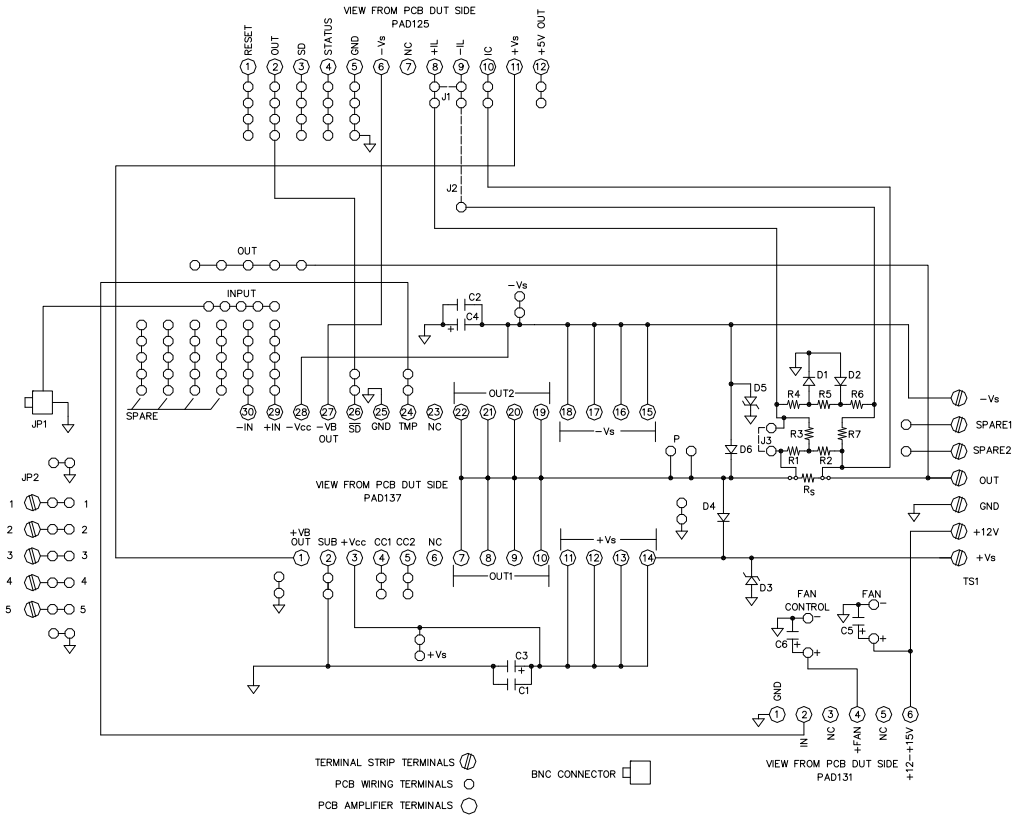
14. The evaluation kit assembly is complete. Be sure you have read and followed all the assembly steps. Do not forget any jumpers that need to be installed. Inspect the circuit board for solder shorts or poor solder joints. An illuminated magnifier is helpful.

15. Before applying power to your circuit set the power supply for $\pm 20V$ and set the power supply current limit to approximately 100mA. Use little or no load at first. Apply an input signal and check the output with an oscilloscope to verify proper functionality. This step can prevent damaging the amplifier or the circuit board should there be some mistake in assembly.

Note that the PADI37, PADI25, PADI31 are purchased separately.

✓	Ref	Qty	Description	Mfg/Distributor	Mfg. Part Number	Illustration (not to scale)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Amplifier Pins 1-30 + TPs	3	Cage Jacks w/carrier strip 32 wide	Power Amp Design	CJS01	
<input type="checkbox"/>	C1, 2, 5, 6	4	Chip Capacitor, 200V 1uF	Novacap	1825B105K201N	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	R _s	3	Sense Resistor	Isotek Isotek Isotek	PBV-R005-1.0 (5mΩ) PBV-R010-1.0 (10mΩ) PBV-R015-1.0 (15 mΩ)	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	NA	15 (5ea)	Jumper	3M/Mouser	923345-01-C (0.1 in) 923345-02-C (0.2 in) 923345-03-C (0.3 in)	
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CIRCUIT DIAGRAM



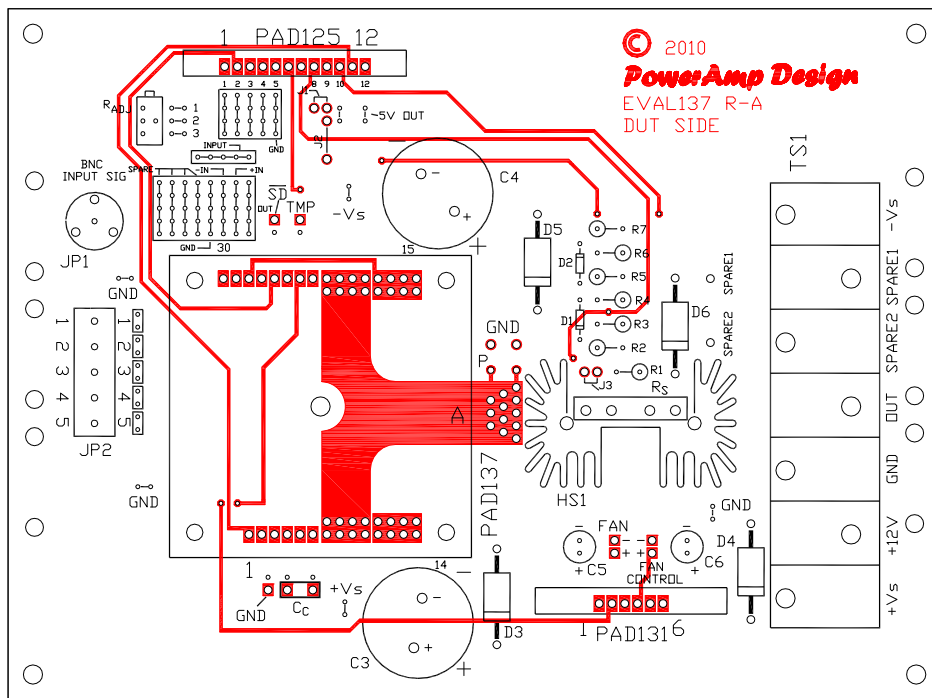
JUMPER SELECTION (USE ALL OPTIONS THAT APPLY)

Option 1. To use the amplifier and current limit module together **without** fold-over current limit insert jumpers J1 and J3 only. The kit comes wired with this option.

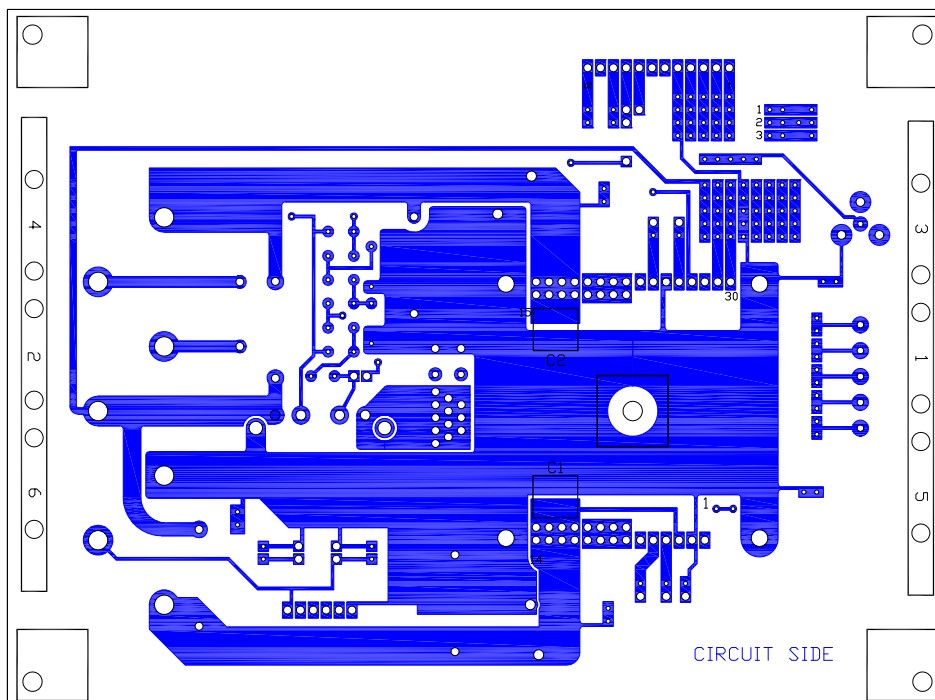
Option 2. To use the amplifier and current limit module together **with** fold-over current limit insert jumper J2 only.

Refer to the **PAD Power™** Excel spreadsheet (available for download from the website) for assistance in calculating resistor values for fold-over current limiting.

TOP VIEW

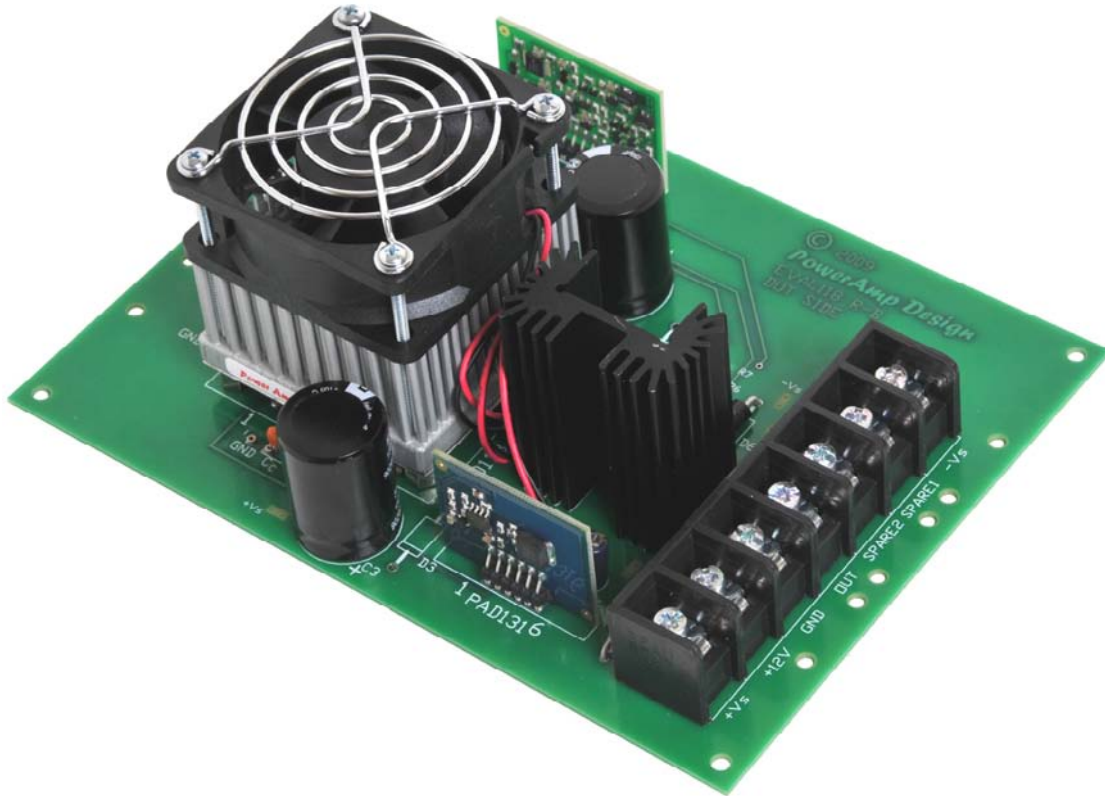


BOTTOM VIEW



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ASSEMBLED EVAL137 WITH AMPLIFIER AND ACCESSORY MODULES MOUNTED



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