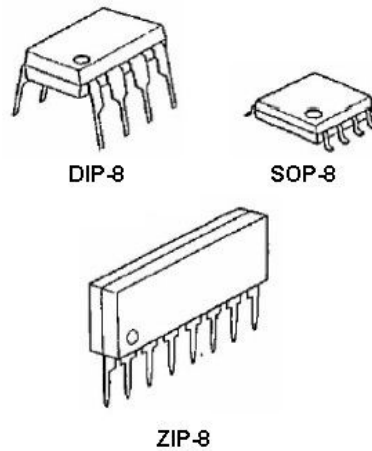


### Features

- Large capacitors not required
- High common-mode rejection ratio (57dB typ. At  $f = 1\text{kHz}$ ).
- Low noise ( $V_{NO} = 3.5\text{mVrms Typ.}$ ).
- Low distortion (THD = 0.002% Typ.).
- Two channels.



### Applications

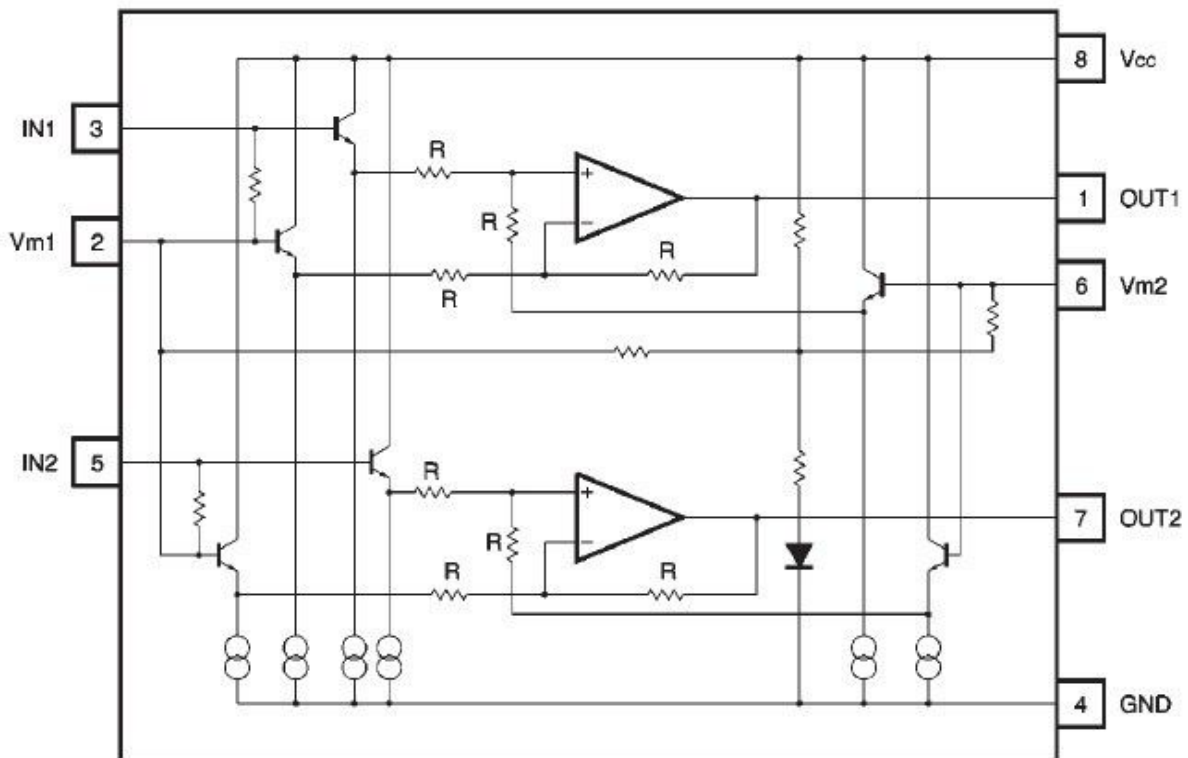
- Car audio systems

### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The ZL3121 are ground isolation amplifiers developed for use in car audio applications. These ICs efficiently eliminate problems caused by wiring resistance, and remove noise generated by the electrical devices used in automobiles. The capacitance values of the external capacitors required for the ICs are small to allow compact and reliable set design.

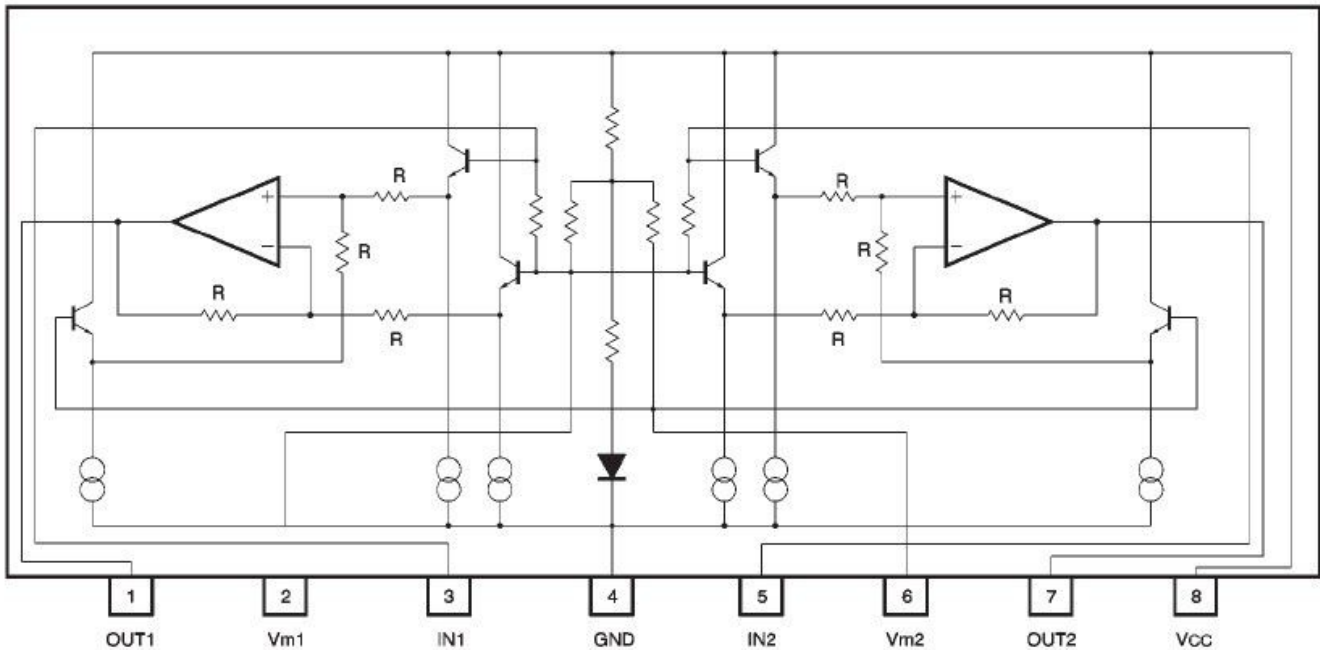
### BLOCK DIAGRAM

3121

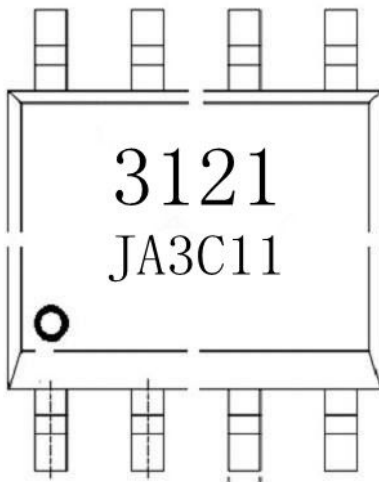


## Ground isolation amplifier

3121N



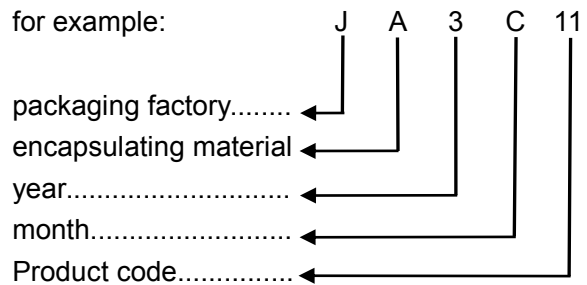
### PRODUCTION INFORMATION



first line: Product model

second line: Date Code

for example:



### ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Parameter	Symbol	limit	Unit
operating supply voltage	VCC	18	V
Power loss	PD	700	mW
Operating ambient temperature	Topr	-40~+85	°C
Storage temperature range	Tstg	-55~+125	°C

## Ground isolation amplifier

### Electrical characteristics

(unless otherwise noted,  $T_a = 25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $V_{CC} = 12\text{V}$ ,  $f = 1\text{kHz}$ ,  $R_g = 1.8\text{k}\Omega$ )

Parameter	Symbol	Test Condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
supply voltage	$V_{pp}$		4	12	18	V
Quiescent current	$I_Q$	$V_{in} = 0\text{rms}$	5.6	9.0	14.0	mA
Output noise current	$V_{no}$	BPF=20Hz~20kHz	-	3.5	8.0	$\mu\text{V}$
Voltage gain	$G_v$	$V_0 = -10\text{dBm}$ , $R_g = 0$	-1.5	-0.04	1.5	D
Maximum output voltage	$V_{om}$	THD=0.1%, $V_{CC} = 8\text{V}$	1.8	2.0	-	V
Total harmonic distortion	THD	$V_0 = 0.7\text{Vrms}$	-	0.002	0.02	%
Common-mode rejection ratio	CMRR		41	57	-	dB
Common-mode voltage	$V_{cm}$	$V_{CC} = 8\text{V}$ , CMRR=40dB	2.5	3.75	-	V
Ripple rejection ratio	RR	$f = 100\text{Hz}$ , $V = -10\text{dBm}$ , $R_g = 0$	72	80	-	dB
Channel separation	CS	$V_{in} = -10\text{dBm}$ , $R_g = 1.8\text{k}$ or ope	-	82	-	dB
Slew rate	SR		-	2.0	-	V/ $\mu\text{s}$
Input resistance	$R_{in}$		44	55	66	K

### Measurement circuits

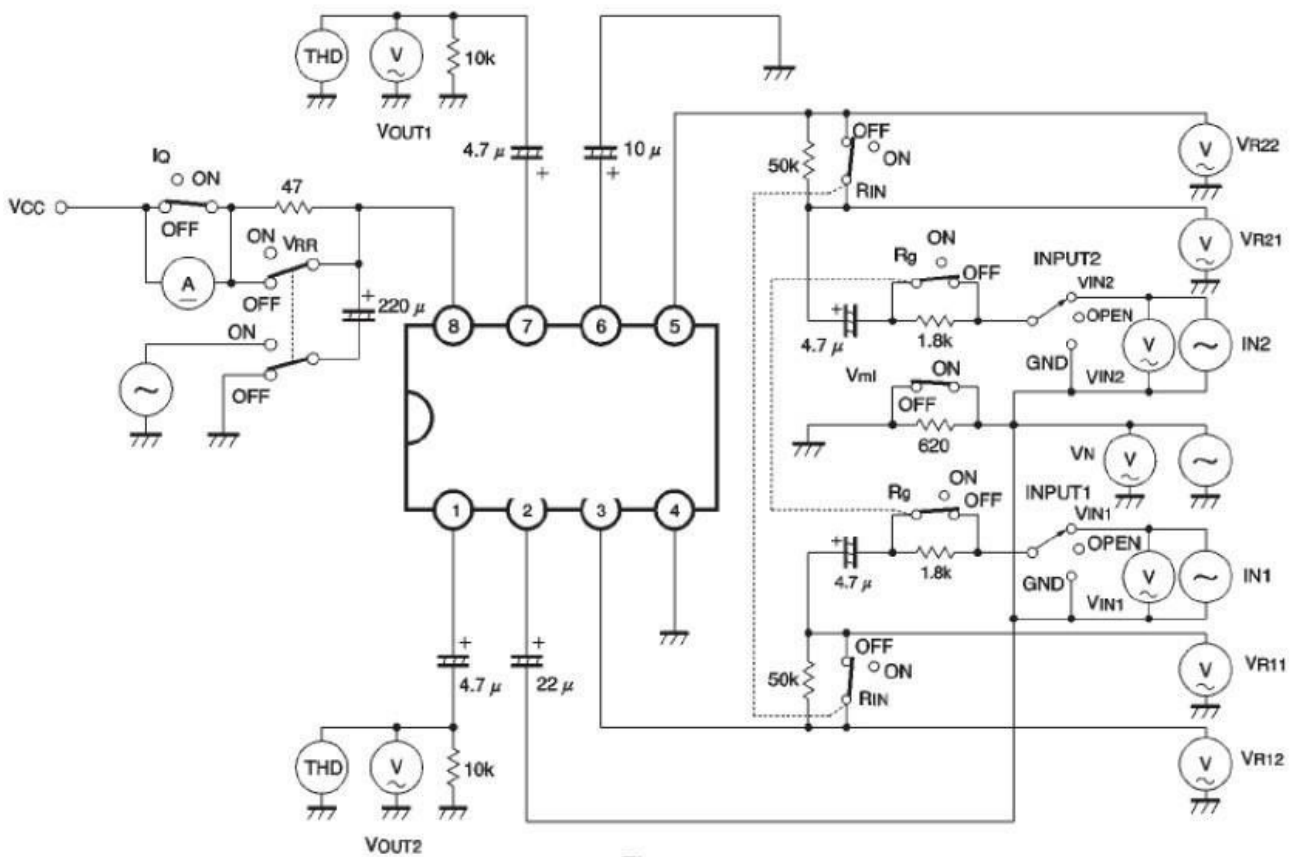


Fig. 1

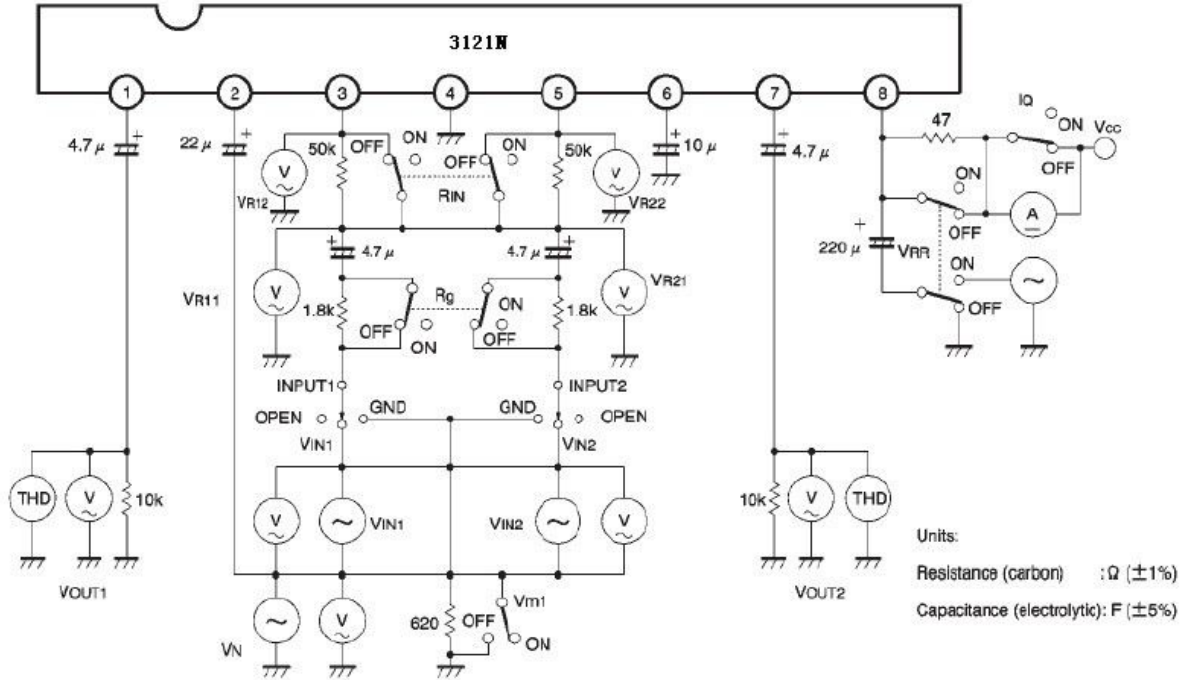


Fig. 2

### Circuit operation

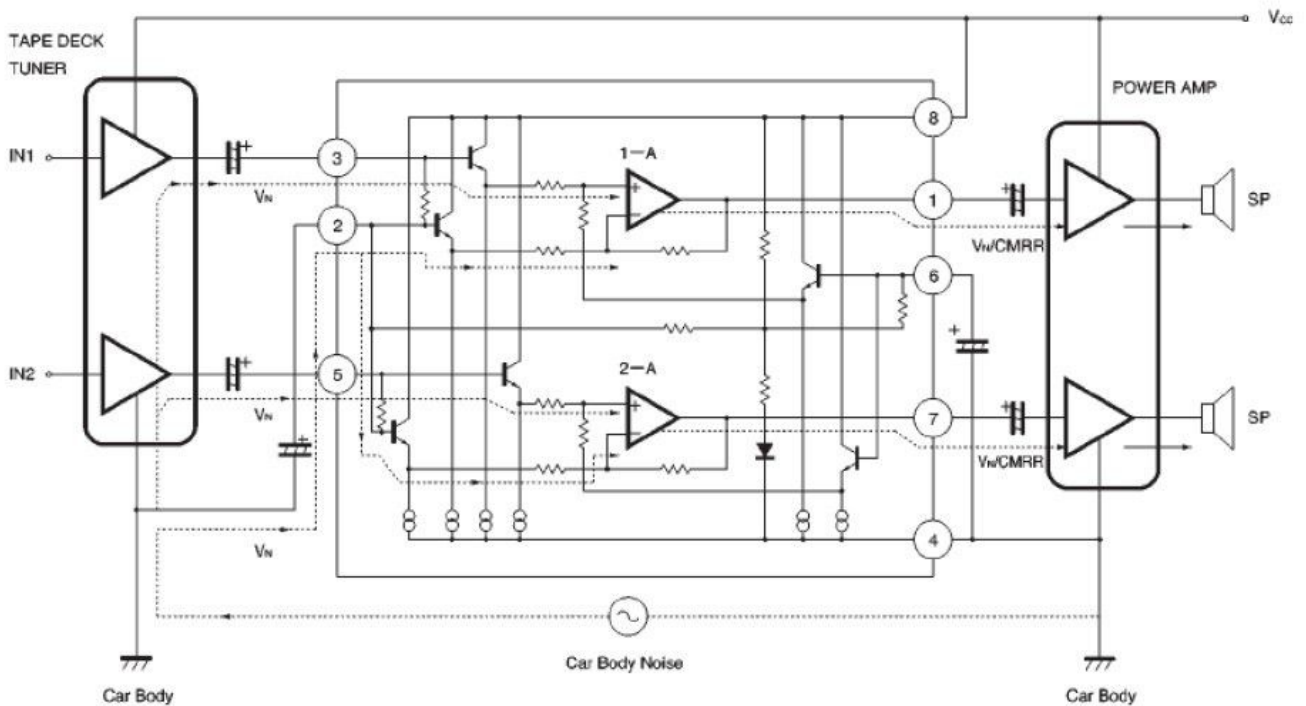


Fig. 3 Flow of noise in car-audio systems

Car-audio systems are earthed to the car body, and for this reason, electrical noise generated by the car electrics can enter the power amplifier input via the chassis, and become audible.

The ZL3121 makes use of the common-mode rejection characteristics of an operational amplifier to eliminate this noise. Without the ZL3121 noise enters the power amplifier input directly, when used, the CMMR of operational amplifiers 1-A and 2-A eliminates the noise.

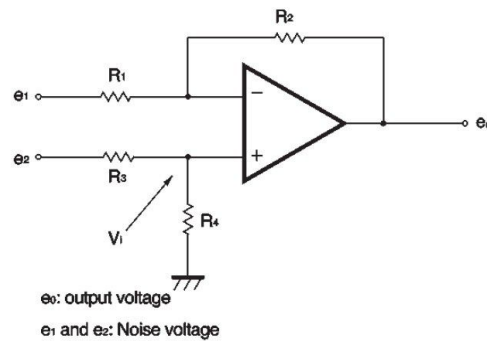


Fig. 4 The principle of noise rejection

To obtain the output voltage (eO)

$$V_i = \frac{R_4}{(R_3 + R_4)} \cdot e_2 \quad \text{①}$$

$$e_o = -\frac{R_2}{R_1} e_1 + \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1} \cdot V_i \quad \text{②}$$

From ① and ②

$$\begin{aligned} e_o &= -\frac{R_2}{R_1} e_1 + \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_1} \cdot \frac{R_4}{(R_3 + R_4)} \cdot e_2 \\ &= -\frac{R_2}{R_1} \cdot (e_1 - e_2) + \frac{R_1 R_4 - R_2 R_3}{R_1 (R_3 + R_4)} \cdot e_2 \end{aligned}$$

Ideally, if  $R_1 R_4 = R_2 R_3$ , and  $e_1 = e_2$ , the noise voltage will become zero. However, due to mismatching between the resistors, difference in the noise voltages ( $e_1$  and  $e_2$ ), and tolerances in the operational amplifier, a noise voltage does result.

With the ZL3121, the elimination level of the noise is expressed as:  $\text{CMMR} = 20 \log (e_o/e_i)$  ( $e_i = e_1 = e_2$ )

Therefore,  $\text{CMRR} \_ 41\text{dB}$  can be guaranteed.

### Operation notes

(1) Maintain a ratio of 2: 1 for the values of the capacitors connected to pin 2 ( $V_{m1}$ ) and pin 6 ( $V_{m2}$ ) to keep the ripple rejection ratio stable. If this ratio is maintained, the ripple rejection ratio will not vary significantly even if the capacitance values are halved.

(2) If the value of the capacitor connected to pin 2 ( $V_{m1}$ ) in the example is doubled, the bass-region CMMR will be +6dB, and if it is halved, it will be \_6dB (see Fig. 16).

### Application example

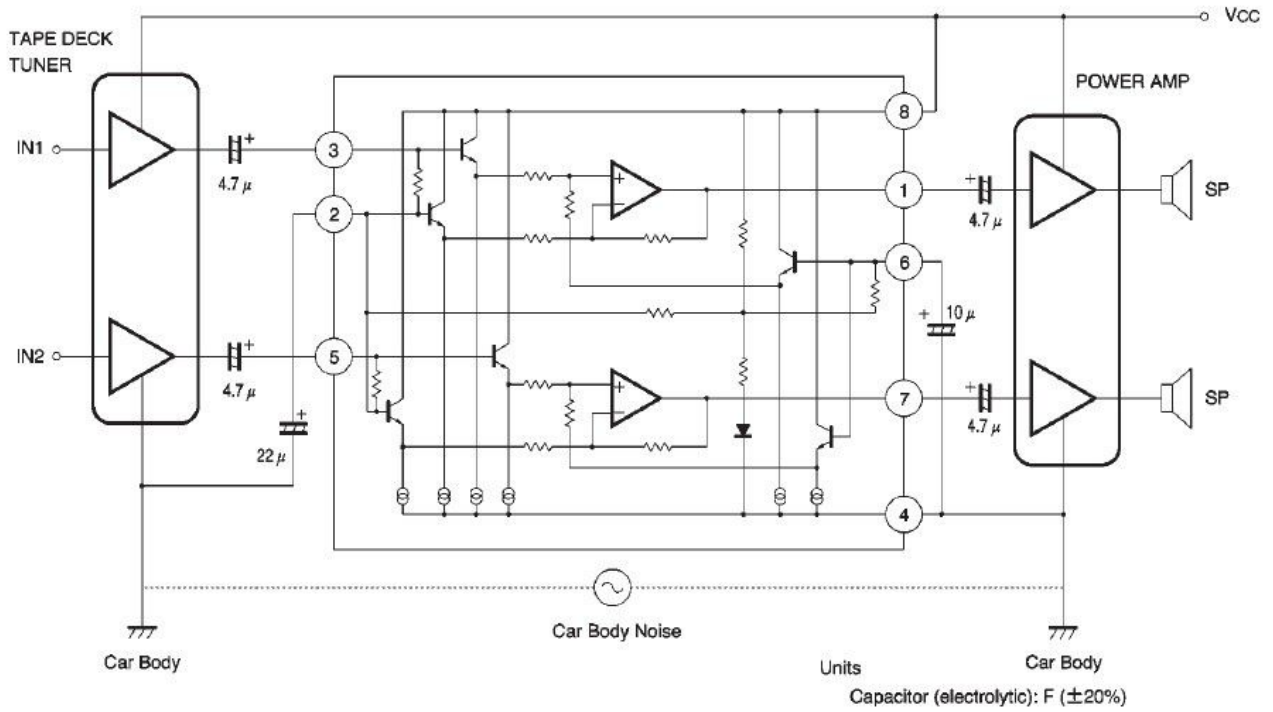


Fig. 5

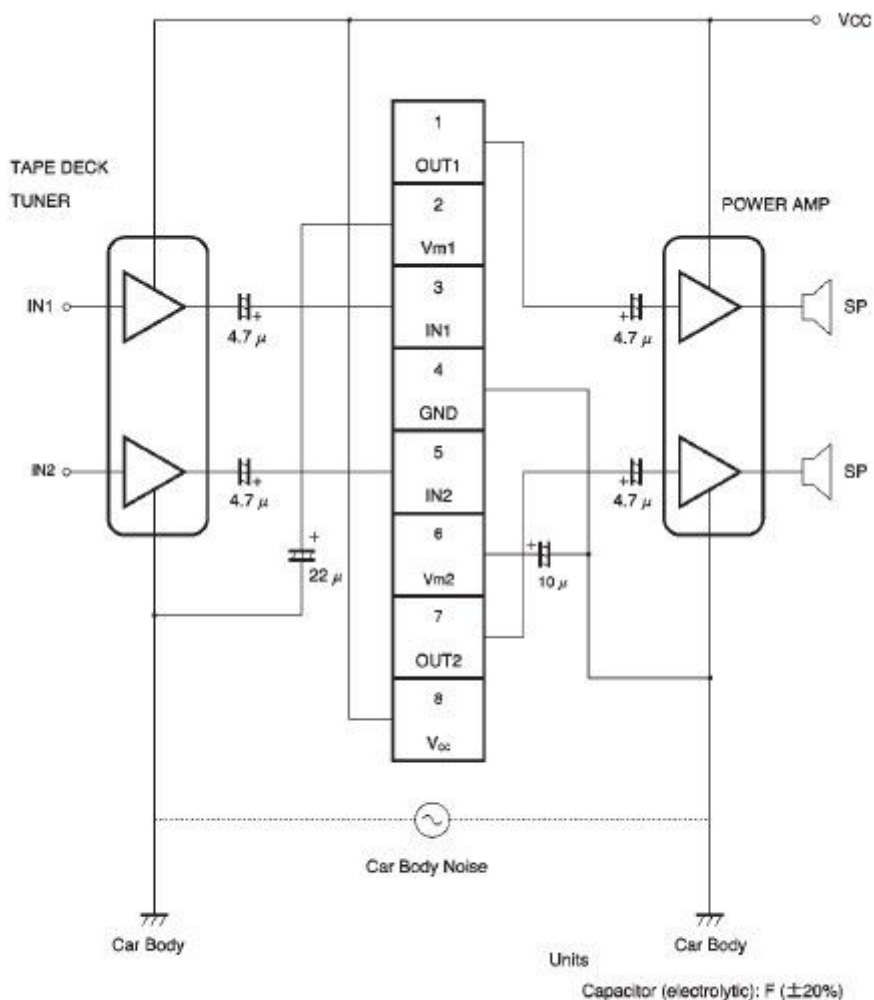
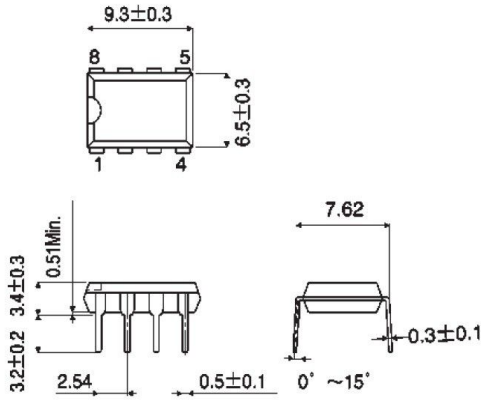
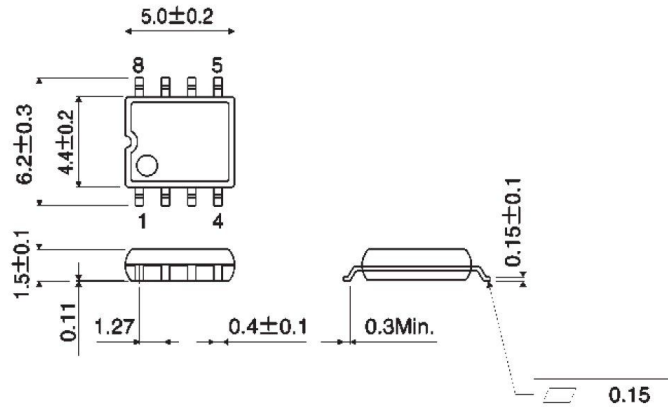


Fig. 6

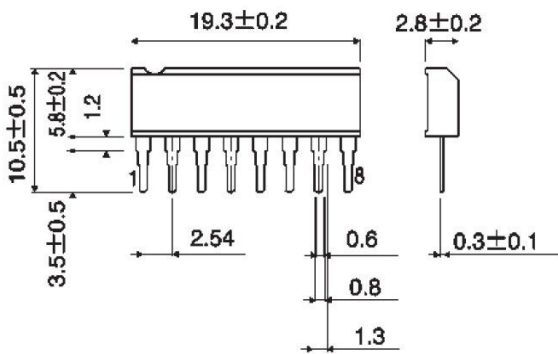
### External dimensions (Units: mm)



ZL3121 F (DIP-8)



ZL3121 (SOP-8)



ZL3121N(SIP-8)