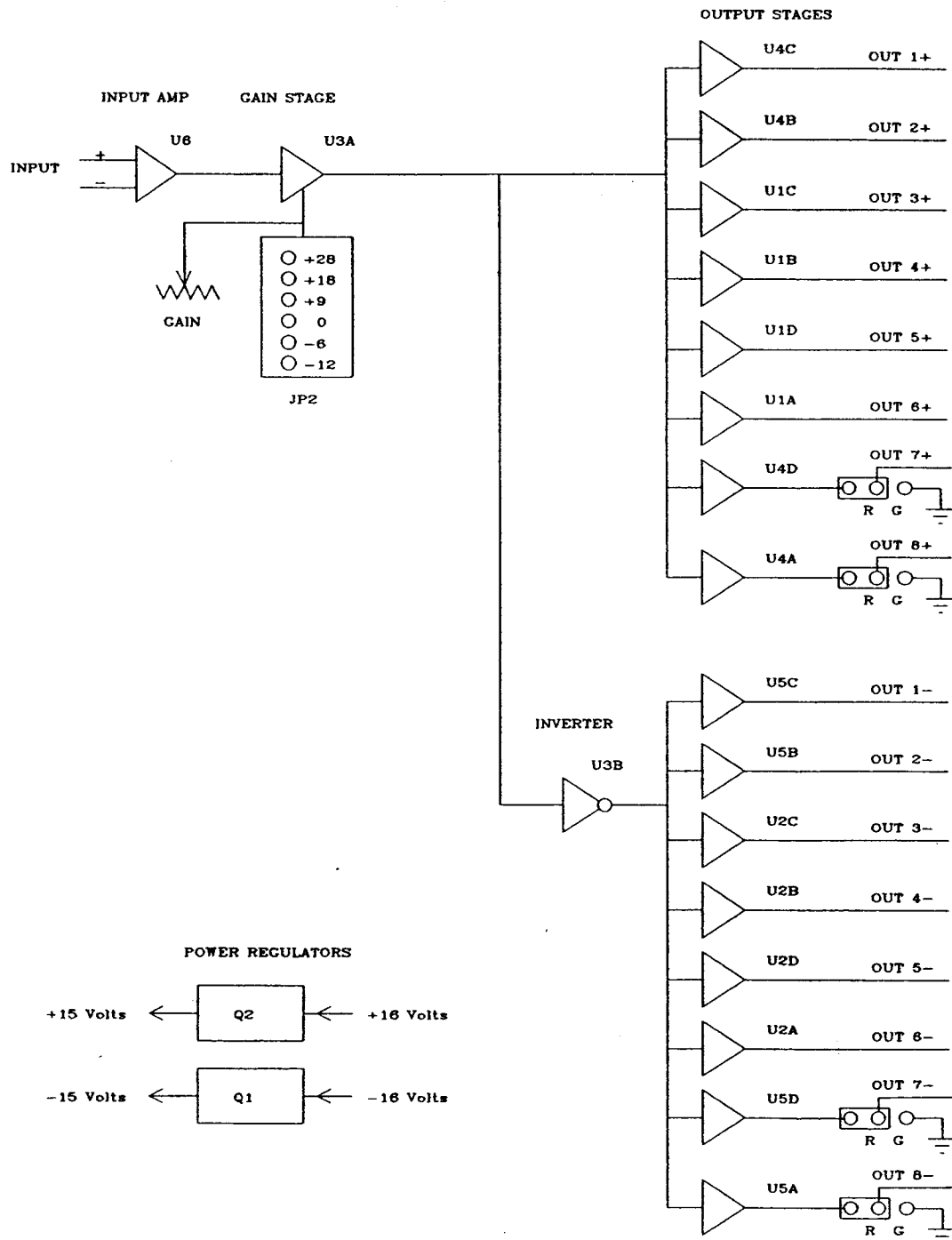


**ADA-7551**  
**Audio Distribution Amplifier**

AM-7551-03

# ADA 7551 BLOCK DIAGRAM



## Introduction

The Ross ADA-7551 Audio Distribution Amplifier provides a means of amplifying and distributing program-level audio with virtually no loss of quality. Use of the latest types of integrated circuits which are developed specifically suited to professional audio applications assures a very low level of distortion and noise.

## Installation

The card TRAY TYPE jumper (JP1) settings must be set before use. All jumper plugs must be set in a vertical row corresponding with the tray type designation as follows:



Ross Trays



GVG\* Trays

### CAUTION:

If JP1 is not set correctly for a GVG tray, damage to the integrated circuits may occur.

## Operation

Controls are provided for setting the gain of the amplifier.

The GAIN jumper plug is to be set for the desired gain range. In most installations it will be set to the 0 dB position to obtain unity gain.

The GAIN potentiometer provides a fine control of the gain and has a range of +/- 6dB.

There is no need to set the common mode BAL adjustment as it has been precisely factory pre-set and sealed. This amplifier incorporates an advanced type of input stage that does not have to be balanced for each installation.

## Circuit Description

The input stage, U6, performs the function of converting the balanced input signal into an unbalanced (single ended) signal for further processing.

This stage is unique because it functions exactly as if the amplifier had a floating transformer input. This means that it responds only to the voltage difference between the two input lines and ignores any imbalance to ground. This gives the distribution amplifier the very desirable ability to accept any out-of-balance input signal and produce a perfectly balanced output. As a consequence, it also has an exceptional ability to reject common mode hum and noise over the whole audio band.

The input circuit includes diodes to protect the amplifier against damaging input noise spikes.

The amplifier gain is provided by circuit U3A. JP2 selects the desired gain range and RV1 provides vernier gain adjustment.

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The positive line outputs are driven by unity-gain stages U1 and U4. These circuits are designed to be very stable and not oscillate at any normal line load.

The negative output stages U2 and U5 are driven by unity-gain inverter U3B.

The power input voltage of approximately +/- 16 volts is reduced to +/- 15 volts by transistors Q2 and Q1. This lower voltage powers the input and gain stages while the output stages are fed directly from the power supply.

### **Alignment**

The only alignment controls provided are for balancing the common-mode rejection of the input amplifiers. To adjust the BAL control, make the indicated connections to the terminal block associated with the particular amplifier.

#### **NOTE:**

Because this control has been precisely calibrated at the factory, it must not be adjusted unless U6 has been replaced.

1. Place the amplifier on the extender board.
2. Use a short jumper wire to connect the tray "input +" and "input -" terminals together.
3. Connect an audio generator between "input +" and ground. Set the generator frequency to 1 KHz and output level to +20 dBu.
4. Connect a balanced-input sensitive audio level meter or distortion analyser to a balanced pair of amplifier outputs.
5. With the output level meter set to the most sensitive scale, adjust the INPUT BAL potentiometer to obtain the lowest possible output level. It should be possible to obtain an output level of at least -80 dBu. (100dB below +20 dBu). Seal the pot.
6. Disconnect the test set up.

## Specifications

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                   |                                                |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|
| Input                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | Input Impedance                   | >35K ohms, balanced                            |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Max Input Level                   | +34 dBu [ +30 dBm ]                            |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Common Mode Rejection             | >100 dB @ 60 Hz<br>>80 dB @ 20 KHz             |
| Output                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Number of Outputs                 | 8                                              |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Max Output Level                  | +28 dBu [ +24 dBm ]                            |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Output Impedance                  | 48 ohms, [ 600 ohms]                           |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Output Isolation                  | >70 dB                                         |
| Performance                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | S/N Ratio                         | >100 dB (unity gain) relative to +8 dBu        |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Gain Range                        | -18 to +34 dB<br>( $\pm 6$ dB fine adjustment) |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Frequency Response                | +/- 0.02 dB 20 Hz to 20 KHz                    |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Total Harmonic Distortion         | <0.002% [ 0.007% ]                             |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Intermodulation                   | <0.002% [ 0.006% ](SMPTE)                      |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Crosstalk between Amplifiers      | >100 dB                                        |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Power Consumption @ +8 dBu output | 1.6 W [ 2.6 W ]                                |
| All tests performed at +18 dBu and cover 20 Hz to 20 KHz unless otherwise specified. All measurements made with an Audio Precision System One test set. Performance of the 600 ohm version is similar, except where indicated [ ]. |                                   |                                                |

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## Bill of Materials

7551A-001

| Item | QTY | REF                                                                 | Part         | Description                                 | Part Number |
|------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------|-------------|
| 1.   | 1   | R48                                                                 | NVR          | NO VALUE, RESISTOR 5%                       | ---         |
| 2.   | 16  | R1,R3,R5,R7,R15,R17,R19,<br>R21,R35,R36,R38,R41,R51,<br>R53,R55,R57 | NVR 1%       | NO VALUE, RESISTOR 1%                       | ---         |
| 3.   | 1   | C18                                                                 | 22p          | CAPACITOR, CERAMIC 100V 2% 22p              | 201-220     |
| 4.   | 3   | C2,C8,C16                                                           | 47p          | CAPACITOR, CERAMIC 100V 2% 47p              | 201-470     |
| 5.   | 1   | C4                                                                  | 4n7          | CAPACITOR, CERAMIC 4n7                      | 203-470     |
| 6.   | 1   | C3                                                                  | 10n          | CAPACITOR, CERAMIC 10n                      | 204-100     |
| 7.   | 4   | C1,C7,C11,C17                                                       | 100n         | CAPACITOR, GLASS 100n                       | 225-100     |
| 8.   | 2   | C6,C5                                                               | 100u 250-005 | CAPACITOR, TANTALUM 6.3V 100u               | 250-005     |
| 9.   | 2   | C14,C12                                                             | 47u          | CAPACITOR, TANTALUM 16V 47u                 | 250-006     |
| 10.  | 4   | C9,C10,C13,C15                                                      | 6u8          | CAPACITOR, TANTALUM 25V 6u8                 | 250-008     |
| 11.  | 1   | J1                                                                  | 311-035      | CONNECTOR, 2X25P, PCB MNT, 90 DEG           | 311-035     |
| 12.  | 4   | CR1,CR2,CR3,CR4                                                     | 1N4148       | DIODE, SIGNAL GP 1N4148                     | 360-005     |
| 13.  | 1   | MP1                                                                 | 365-003      | PCB, EJECTOR                                | 365-003     |
| 14.  | 1   | JP2                                                                 | 403-004-12   | HEADER, 12 PIN, 2 ROW MALE, PL.23 BL.1 LL.1 | 403-004-12  |
| 15.  | 1   | JP1                                                                 | 403-004-16   | HEADER, 16 PIN, 2 ROW MALE, PL.23 BL.1 LL.1 | 403-004-16  |
| 16.  | 1   | U3                                                                  | NE5532N      | INT-COMPENSATED, DUAL LO-NOISE OP, AMP      | 504-129     |
| 17.  | 1   | U6                                                                  | SSM-2143P    | -6dB DIFFERENTIAL, LINE RECEIVER            | 504-130     |
| 18.  | 4   | U1,U2,U4,U5                                                         | TLE2064CN    | JFET-INPUT, HIGH-OUT POWER, QUAD OP AMP     | 504-155     |
| 19.  | 1   | JPPLUG2                                                             |              |                                             |             |

|     |   |       |             |                                         |             |
|-----|---|-------|-------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------|
| 20. | 1 | RV2   | 100R 1T     | VARIABLE, RESISTOR, 1/4 DIA 1-TURN 100R | 710-002     |
| 21. | 1 | RV1   | 10K 720-002 | VARIABLE, RESISTOR, 20-TURN 10K         | 720-002     |
| 22. | 1 | PCB   | 7551-001-01 | AUDIO, AMP                              | 7551-001-01 |
| 23. | 2 | F2,F1 | 1R 1%       | RESISTOR, 1/4W, 1% 1R                   | 810-100     |
| 24. | 1 | R28   | 53R6 1%     | RESISTOR, 1/4W, 1% 53R6                 | 811-536     |
| 25. | 1 | R29   | 191R 1%     | RESISTOR, 1/4W, 1% 191R                 | 812-191     |
| 26. | 1 | R30   | 750R 1%     | RESISTOR, 1/4W, 1% 750R                 | 812-750     |
| 27. | 1 | R50   | 1K07 1%     | RESISTOR, 1/4W, 1% 1K07                 | 813-107     |

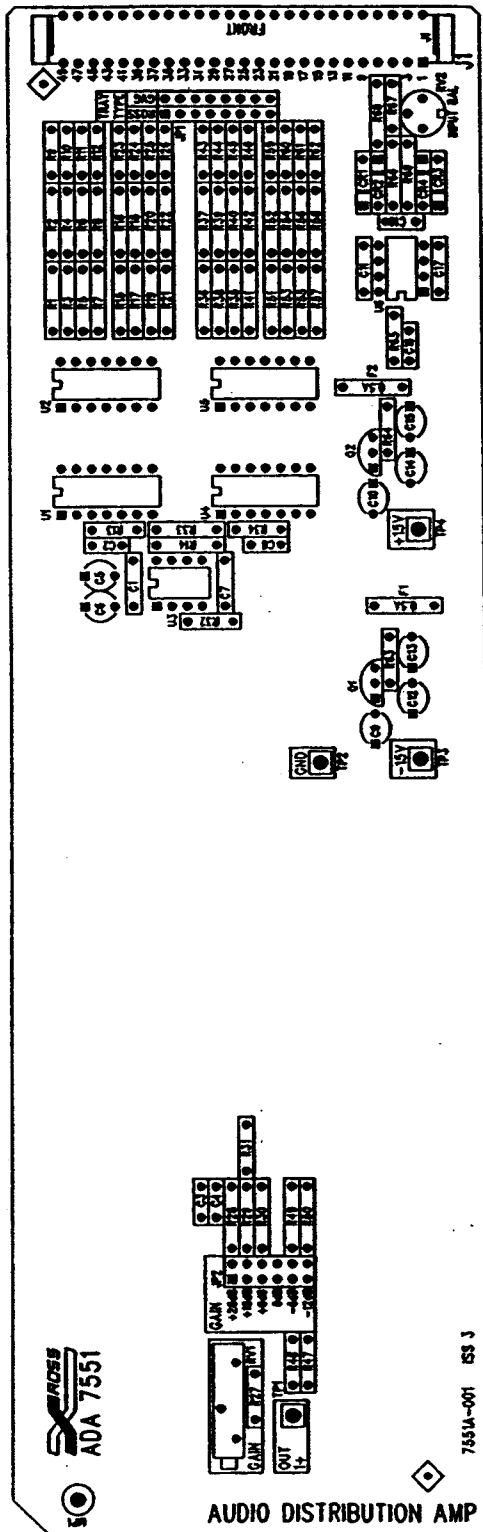
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