

Achieve Ultra-Low Idle Current With TPA3128D2

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ABSTRACT

The TPA3128D2 Class D Audio Power Amplifier has ultra-low power loss and helps to extend the battery life of Bluetooth® and wireless speakers and other battery-powered audio systems. The high efficiency of the TPA3128D2 device allows it to output 2×30 W without external heat sink on a dual layer PCB. This application note describes the new features in TPA3128D2 and the benefits in application. This application note also shows some test results to prove the performance improvement by the new features.

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1 General Overview

To extend the battery life and lower power consumption in consumer electronics, for example, TV, BT speaker, wireless speaker, mini speaker, USB speaker, or musical instrument, the TPA3128D2 provides some new features to improve the performance of power consumption comparing to the traditional audio amplifiers. This document introduces these new features in TPA3128D2.

- Section 2 describes the new feature Novel Hybrid mode.
- Section 3 analyzes the benefits from separated AVCC.
- Section 4 introduces individual channel shut down mode.

2 Novel Hybrid Mode

TPA3128D2 supports Novel Hybrid mode to save power consumption in idle state and light-load state. This way, battery life can be extended by this feature. The idle state power consumption is evaluated in both BD mode and Hybrid mode. The performance is compared in guiescent case and dynamic case.

2.1 Quiescent Performance Improvement

Set TPA3128D2 in idle state, and measure the current in PVCC. Measure the PVCC current in both BD mode and Hybrid mode. PVCC idle current in Hybrid mode is less than BD mode, and the difference enlarges as PVCC increases.

The following figure shows the comparison of PVCC idle current from BD mode to Hybrid mode. (Fsw=400KHz, with snubber)

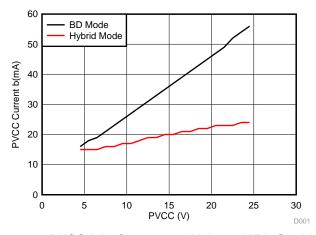


Figure 1. PVCC Idle Current vs. Voltage With Snubber



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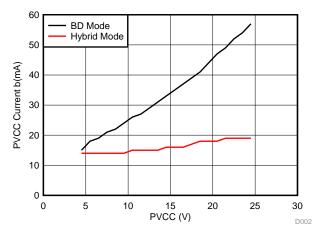


Figure 2. PVCC Idle Current vs. Voltage Without Snubber

2.2 Dynamic Performance Improvement

When playing music normally, the dynamic overall power consumption is also improved obviously in Hybrid mode. The PVCC current drops obviously in the red circles in the following figure.

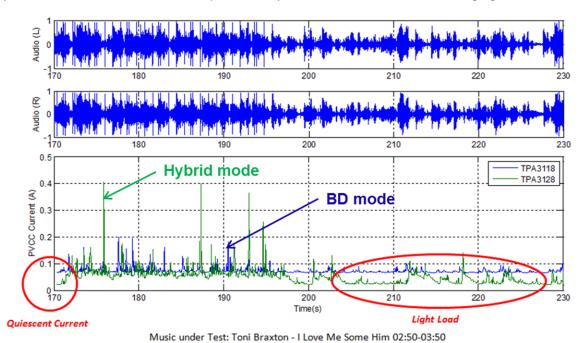


Figure 3. PVCC Current During Playing Audio



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3 Separated AVCC

The internal LDO power loss is lowered by separating AVCC and PVCC, as shown in the following figures.

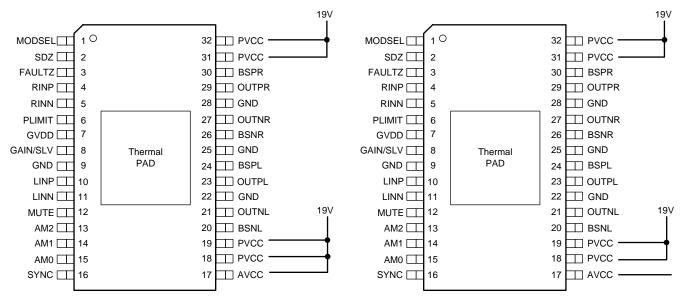


Figure 4. Separate PVCC and AVCC

The following two tables show the saved total power by separating 5V AVCC in BD mode and Hybrid mode.

Current On PVCC Total Power PVCC(V) AVCC(V) Current On AVCC (mA) Saved Power (mW) (mA) Consumption (mW)

Table 1. Saved Power in BD Mode

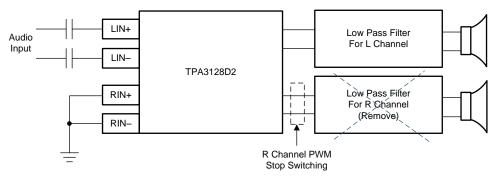
Table 2. Saved Power in Hybrid Mode

PVCC(V)	AVCC(V)	Current On PVCC (mA)	Current On AVCC (mA)	Total Power Consumption (mW)	Saved Power (mW)
6	6	7	4	66	4
O	5	7	4	62	4
12	12	9	4	156	28
12	5	9	4	128	20
18	18	10	4	252	52
10	5	10	4	200	52
24	24	12	4	384	76
24	5	12	4	308	10



4 Shut Down Individual Channel

Connect to RIN+ and RIN- directly to GND, and TPA3128D2 will enter Individual shutdown mode. R channel is shut down this way. This feature will permit customer to add a power save mode when battery is not enough.



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Figure 5. Connect to RIN+ and RIN- Directly to GND

The following tables show the saved PVCC current in BD mode and Hybrid mode.

Table 3. Saved Power in BD Mode

DVCC (V)	Current On PV	Saved PVCC	
PVCC (V)	Channel R On	Channel R Off	Current (mA)
6	17	11	6
12	26	16	10
18	37	22	15
24	51	29	22

Table 4. Saved Power in Hybrid Mode

BVCC (V)	Current On PV	Saved PVCC	
PVCC (V)	Channel R On	Channel R Off	Current (mA)
6	11	9	2
12	14	10	4
18	15	11	4
24	17	12	5

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