

SKY76206-21: Mono Low-Power Multi-Level Class D Audio Amplifier IC

Applications

- Wireless earbuds
- Wireless headphones
- Active noise cancellation (ANC) circuits
- Portable electronics

Features

- Filterless multi-level Class D output
- Low power consumption:
 - Quiescent power of 800 μ W @ 1.2 V
 - Standby power (I^2 C activity) of 60 μ W @ 1.2 V
 - Reset power <4 μ W
- High output efficiency:
 - 82% (62 mW output to 16 Ω)
 - 88% (100 mW output to 16 Ω)
- High quality audio performance:
 - DNR > 111 dB (A-weighted)
 - THD+N: -84 dB
 - PSRR: 94 dB at 20 kHz
 - Pop and click suppression <-76 dBV_{PK}
- Low latency: < 5 μ s
- Supply voltage inputs:
 - VBAT (+2.3 V to +4.9 V)
 - VDDIO (+1.2 V to +1.8 V)
- Internally-generated low-voltage supplies
- Audio turn-on or turn-off time: 1.8 ms
- Operating modes:
 - Reset
 - Standby
 - Audio normal-gain mode: 0 dB
 - Audio high-gain mode: +6 dB
 - Fault
- Pulse density modulated (PDM) interface:
 - 3.072 MHz PDM clock, mono 1-bit PDM data
 - 3.072 MHz PDM clock, stereo 1-bit PDM data
 - 3.072 MHz PDM clock, 1.5-bit mono PDM data
 - 6.144 MHz PDM clock, 1.5-bit stereo PDM data

Features

- Serial audio interface (SAI):
 - Support for 44.1 kHz, 48 kHz and 96 kHz 32-bit data
 - Support for I^2 S and left justified data formats
 - EN/WS pin used for word select
- Clock system:
 - Audio path clock derived from PDM or SAI clock input
 - Autonomous system clock for I^2 C configuration without a PDM or SAI clock present
- Digital control:
 - RESET_B to reset (active low)
 - EN/WS to enable if not in SAI mode (active high)
 - System and amp configuration (via I^2 C)
 - Fault code read and clear (via I^2 C)
- Host notification:
 - IRQ_B interrupt request (active low)
- Multi-level output driver/amplifier:
 - Programmable edge-rate control
 - Programmable non-overlap timing
 - Thermal protection
- Other features:
 - I^2 C address pin to enable stereo designs
 - On-chip supply and temperature fault protection
- Small PCB footprint, 1.54 mm x 1.54 mm x 0.471 mm package
 - 15-pin wafer-level chip-scale package (WLCSP), 0.35 mm pin pitch
 - MSL1 @ 260 °C per JEDEC J-STD-020
- For RoHS and other product compliance information, see the [Skyworks Certificate of Conformance](#)

Block Diagram

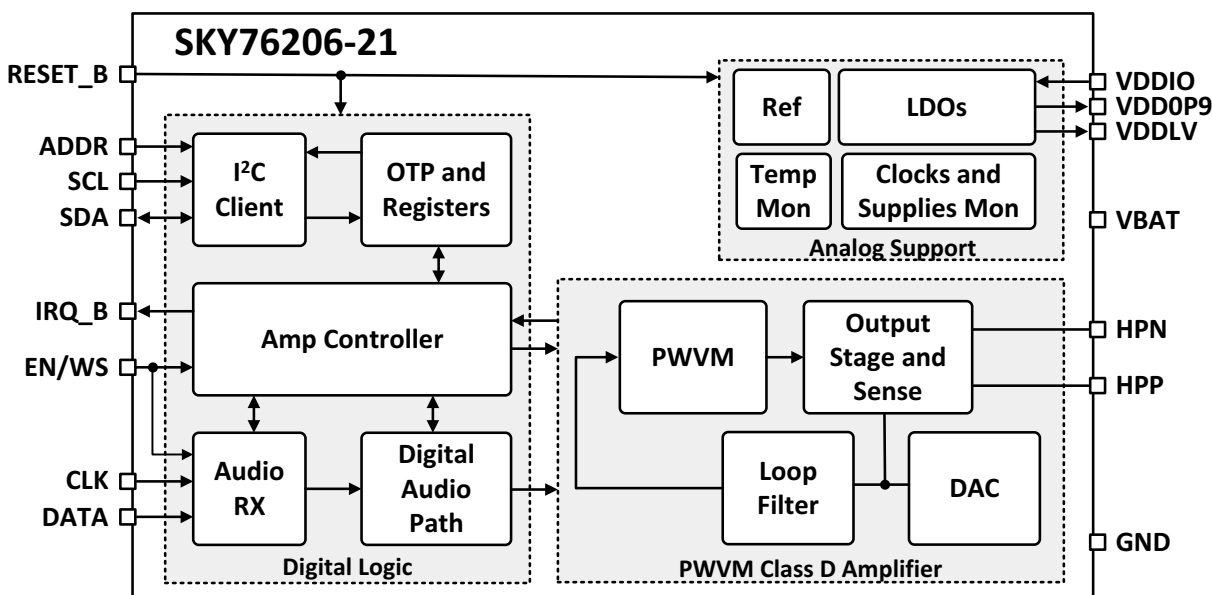


Figure 1. Functional Block Diagram

Description

The Skyworks SKY76206-21 Mono Low-power Multi-Level Class D Audio Amplifier IC is an innovative Class DG amplifier that delivers world class audio performance in a compact package with ultra-low quiescent power levels, and is ideal for portable and wearable electronics.

Unlike most Class D amplifiers on the market, the SKY76206-21 directly processes a digital audio input to create its audio output. The audio signal is reproduced with very high fidelity, even in dense electronics with multiple nearby radio transmitters. The device is optimized for efficiency at low output power levels where most Class D amplifiers are highly inefficient, making it the right fit for wearables with high sensitivity speaker drivers. It has a low quiescent power in active mode, and its state-of-the-art pop and click suppression makes transitions into the low power consumption standby mode a seamless experience to the user while preserving battery life.

The SKY76206-21 requires two power inputs. VBAT (+2.3 V to +4.9 V) is commonly connected directly to a lithium-ion battery, avoiding the efficiency losses of a voltage regulator. VDDIO (+1.2 V or +1.8 V) must be a regulated voltage, selected to best match the output voltage levels of the external host microcontroller, driving the I²C, digital audio, and GPIO nets. VDDIO is also the input source for the internal voltage regulator which generates two regulated voltages, VDD0P9 (+0.9 V) and VDDL V (+0.275 V). Each of these four voltage nets require only an external bulk capacitor adjacent to the pin for normal operation.

The differential audio output pins operate at 3.072 MHz, with a pulse-width and voltage modulated (PWVM) square wave, with a magnitude that varies between VDDL V (+0.275 V), VDD0P9 (+0.9 V), VDDIO, and VBAT. This differential output acts as a charge-pump into an inductive load (speaker driver) to recreate the audio signal.

Figure 2 shows this in concept (timing is not to scale) for VDDIO = +1.8 V and VBAT = +3.8 V.

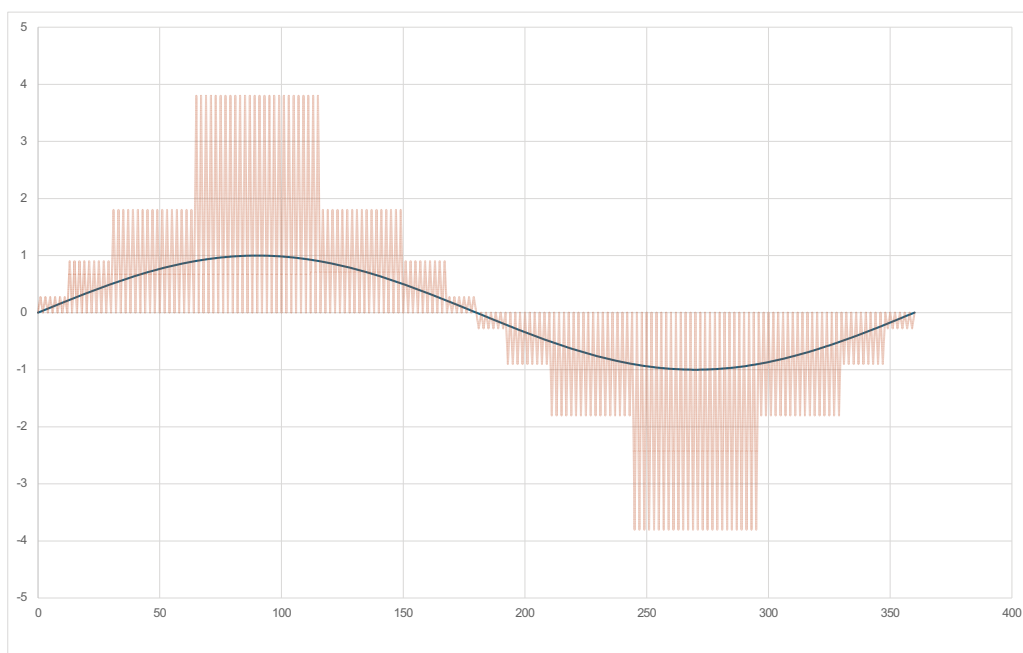


Figure 2. Concept of SKY76206-21 Class DG Audio Output in Normal-Gain Mode

The SKY76206-21 is digitally controlled using standard I²C interface serial data (SDA) and serial clock (SCL) pins. A second SKY76206-21 can share the same I²C bus by pulling down the ADDR address pin to ground. The ADDR pin enables stereo applications, since the same external microcontroller can control two SKY76206-21 devices, with one I²C bus and one PDM or SAI bus containing stereo content.

The SKY76206-21 also offers a robust status reporting capability. The IRQ_B interrupt request pin informs the external microcontroller when a status change occurs, prompting the external microcontroller to read status over the I²C interface.

The SKY76206-21 can support stereo audio streams of both PDM and SAI protocols through the CLK and DATA pins. The EN/WS pin can be programmed to function either as a PDM audio enable (EN) or an SAI word select (WS) input. Otherwise, the EN/WS pin is used to enable or disable audio, such as a mute function that saves power.

Typical Application Circuit

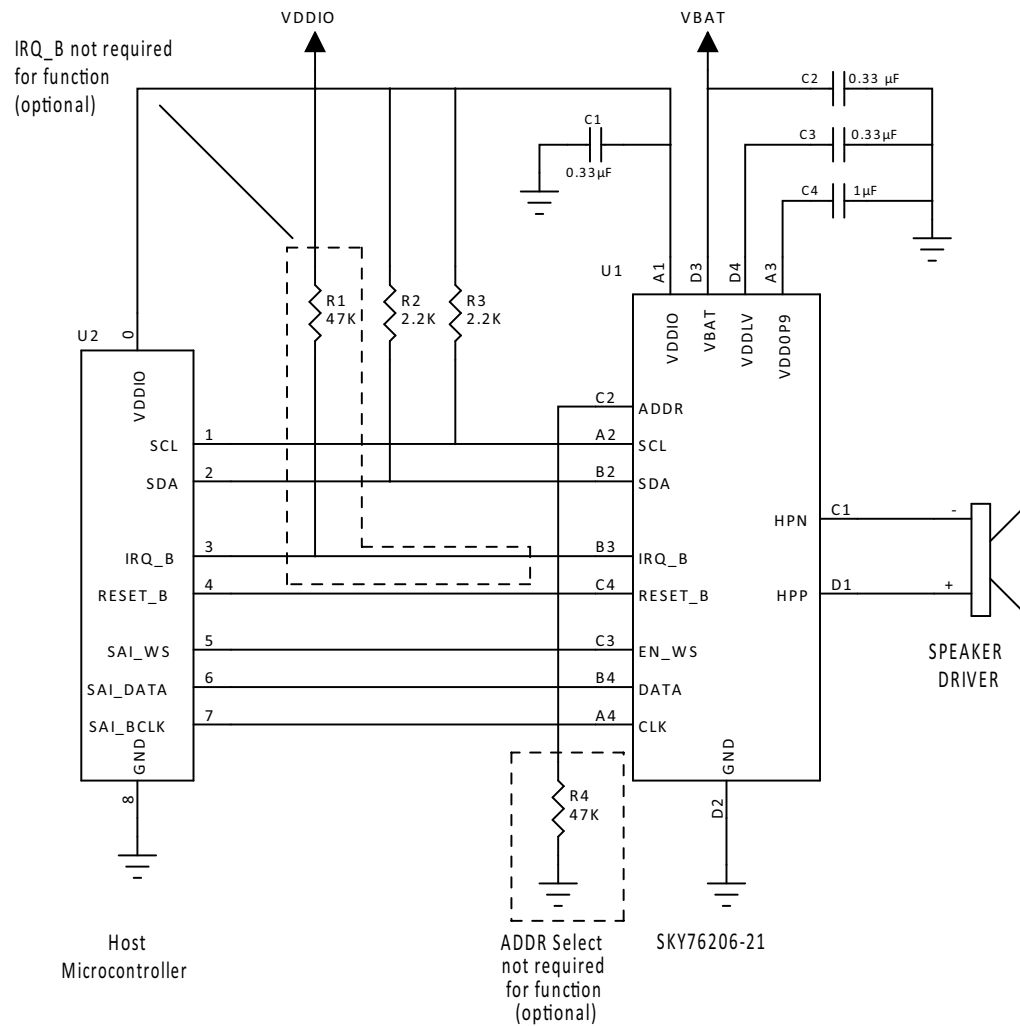


Figure 3. Typical Application Circuit

Pinout

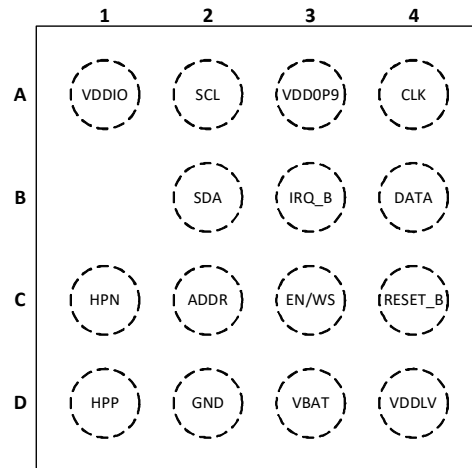


Figure 4. Pinout (Top View)

Table 1. Signal Descriptions

Pin	Name	Type	Description
A1	VDDIO	Power input	Input voltage used as a reference for all digital I/O. Recommend 50 mA source current. Requires a 0.33 μ F capacitor to ground (GND).
A2	SCL	Digital I/O	I ² C clock pin, open drain. Requires 2.2 k Ω pull-up to VDDIO.
A3	VDDOP9	N/A	Internally generated voltage (+0.9 V). Requires a 1 μ F capacitor to GND. Cannot be used as a power source for external circuitry.
A4	CLK	Digital input	Digital audio clock input. For PDM, connect to PDMCLK. For SAI, connect to BCLK.
B1			No pin
B2	SDA	Digital I/O	I ² C data pin, open drain. Requires a 2.2 k Ω pull-up to VDDIO.
B3	IRQ_B	Digital output	Interrupt request, open drain active low. Requires a 47 k Ω pull-up to VDDIO if connected to external host.
B4	DATA	Digital input	Digital audio data input. For PDM, connect to PDMDAT. For SAI, connect to SAI_DATA.
C1	HPN	Analog output	Headphone output negative (differential to HPP).
C2	ADDR	Digital input	I ² C address select, internally pulled up. Sets the LSB of the 7-bit I ² C device address for the chip.
C3	EN/WS	Digital input	Dual functionality. For PDM, use as audio enable/disable. For SAI, connect to SAI_WS.
C4	RESET_B	Digital input	Reset, active low. Must be driven to VDDIO for device to be in active state. When asserted (active low), keeps the device in lowest power state.
D1	HPP	Analog output	Headphone output positive (differential to HPN).
D2	GND	Ground	Common return net for all signals.
D3	VBAT	Power input	Supply voltage from Li-Ion battery or a regulated supply (+2.3 V to +4.9 V). Recommend 100 mA source current. Requires a 0.33 μ F capacitor to GND.
D4	VDDLX	N/A	Internally generated voltage (+0.275 V). Requires a 0.33 μ F capacitor to GND. Cannot be used as a power source for external circuitry.

Electrical Specifications

For all tables, performance is assured only under the conditions listed and is not invariant over the full operating or storage temperature ranges. Operation at elevated temperatures may reduce reliability of the device.

Table 2. Absolute Maximum Ratings¹

Parameter	Symbol	Minimum	Maximum	Unit
Battery voltage	VBAT	−0.3	6	V
I/O voltage	VDDIO	−0.3	2.4	V
Digital I/O pins	RESET_B, IRQ_B, EN_WS, SCL, SDA, CLK, DATA	−0.3	VDDIO+ 0.3	V
Audio output pins	HPP, HPN	−0.3	6	V
Short circuit to GND (any pin)			Continuous	
Storage temperature	TSTG	−55	+150	°C
Operating temperature (functional only)	TOP	−40	+85	°C
Lead temperature (10 s)	TJ		300	°C
Electrostatic discharge (ESD)				
Human body model (HBM) R 1 kΩ, C = 100 pF	ESD HBM	−1500 ²	+1500	V
Charged device model (CDM)	ESD CDM	−500 ³	+500	V

1. Exposure to maximum rating conditions for extended periods may reduce device reliability. There is no damage to device with only one parameter set at the limit and all other parameters set at or below their nominal value. Exceeding any of the limits listed here may result in permanent damage to the device.

2. In accordance with ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001.

3. In accordance with ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-002.

ESD Handling: Industry-standard ESD handling precautions must be adhered to at all times to avoid damage to this device.

Table 3. DC Supply Voltages

Test conditions: Audio = 1 kHz into $Z_L = 16\ \Omega + 10\ \mu\text{H}$, $F_{\text{SPDM}} = 3.072\ \text{MHz}$, 1-bit modulation mode, $T_A = 25\ ^\circ\text{C}$

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Input Supply Voltages					
VBAT	Normal-gain mode (full performance)	2.3	3.8	4.9	V
	High-gain mode	2.3 ¹	3.8	4.9	V
VDDIO		1.1	1.2	1.95	V
LDO Regulator Output Voltages					
VDDOP9	Default voltage ²		0.9		V
VDDL V	Default voltage ²		0.275		V

1. Maximum audio output voltage is limited and may have higher THD+N than specification (clipped) when VBAT is below typical.

2. VDDOP9 and VDDL V output are designed for internal device use only, cannot be used to power external circuits.

Table 4. Audio Performance

Test conditions: VBAT = 3.8 V, VDDIO = 1.2 V, f = 1 kHz, Z_L = 16 Ω + 10 μH or 32 Ω + 15 μH, F_{SPDM} = 3.072 MHz, 1-bit modulation mode, PDM low pass filter = lowest latency (PDM_LPF_SEL=0), default edge rate setting, measured with 20 kHz AES17 filter unless otherwise specified. T_A = 25 °C

Parameter	Conditions	Normal-Gain Mode			High-Gain Mode			Unit
		Min	Typ	Max	Min	Typ	Max	
Amplifier gain	D _{IN} = −3 dBFS, amp not clipping, Z _L = 3.2 k Ω		0.0			+6.0		dB
Maximum output voltage	D _{IN} = 0dBFS, amp not clipping		1			2		V _{RMS}
			0			+6		dBV
Maximum output power	D _{IN} = 0 dBFS, amp not clipping, Z _L = 16 Ω + 10 μH		62.5			250		mW
	D _{IN} = 0dBFS, amp not clipping, Z _L = 32 Ω+ 15 μH		31.25			125		mW
PDM input level for full-scale output	Amp not clipping		−6			−6		dBFS
I ² S input level for full-scale output	Amp not clipping		0			0		dBFS
PDM idle-channel noise	D _{IN} = −132 dBFS @ 1 kHz, A-weighted		−111			−108		dBV
I ² S idle-channel noise	D _{IN} = −132 dBFS @ 1 kHz, A-weighted		−113			−111		dBV
THD+N ¹	D _{IN} = −3 dBFS @ 1 kHz		−84			−84		dB
Output dc offset voltage	D _{IN} = −132 dBFS @ 1 kHz	−100	0	100	−100	0	100	μV
Noise at dc full-scale output	1.414 Vdc output, A-weighted ²		−96					dBV
	2.828 Vdc output, A-weighted ²					−93		dBV
Pop and click	All amp enable/disable transitions ² , unweighted		−76			−74		dBVpk
Power supply rejection ratio (PSRR)	f = 1 kHz		106			105		dB
	f = 10 kHz		99			94		
	f = 20 kHz		94			89		
Audio turn-on/turn-off time	Amp enable or disable transition		1.8			1.8		ms
Audio latency: PDM input to analog output	PDM LPF SEL = 0 (low latency mode)		4.9			4.9		μs
Audio attenuation in standby mode	Enable pin EN/WS = 0 (off) or I ² C commanded	110			110			dB
Passband ripple	f = 20 Hz to 20 kHz with respect to 1 kHz, low latency mode (PDM LPF SEL = 0)		±0.5			±0.5		dB
Load resistance operating range	Across HPP and HPN	11			11			Ω
Load inductance	Across HPP and HPN	5			5			μH
Load capacitance	Single-ended: HPP to GND and HPN to GND			100			100	pF
	Differential: HPP to HPN			50			50	pF

1. PDM or SAI. Background DAC calibration disabled for THD+N, full-scale output, and power measurement window.

2. Excludes error triggered events.

Table 5. Power Consumption and EfficiencyTest conditions: VBAT = 3.8 V, VDDIO = 1.2 V, f = 1 kHz, Z_L = 16 Ω + 10 μH, F_{SPDM} = 3.072 MHz, 1-bit modulation mode, T_A = +25 °C

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
VBAT-only power consumption	All other supply voltages and I/O = 0 V		0.4		μW
Reset power consumption	RESET_B = 0; all supplies up, all I/O = 0 V		3.3		
Standby power consumption	I ² C activity, all digital inputs = 0 V		54		
Quiescent power ¹ (D _{IN} = -132 dBFS @ 24-bit LSB)	VDDIO = 1.2 V, normal-gain mode, PDM		780		
	VDDIO = 1.2 V, normal-gain mode, SAI		730		
	VDDIO = 1.2 V, high-gain mode, PDM		800		
	VDDIO = 1.2 V, high-gain mode, SAI		720		
	VDDIO = 1.8 V, normal-gain mode, SAI		1100		
Incremental efficiency (P _{OUT} /P _{IN}) at 100 μW	Normal-gain mode, Z _L = 16 Ω + 10 μH, D _{IN} = -28 dBFS		34		%
	High-gain mode, Z _L = 16 Ω + 10 μH, D _{IN} = -34 dBFS		36		%
Incremental efficiency (P _{OUT} /P _{IN}) at 62 mW	Normal-gain mode, Z _L = 16 Ω + 10 μH, D _{IN} = 0 dBFS		82		%
Incremental efficiency (P _{OUT} /P _{IN}) at 100 mW	High-gain mode, Z _L = 16 Ω + 10 μH, D _{IN} = -4 dBFS		88		%

1. Includes the out-of-band noise power from the host PDM signal.

Table 6. Digital I/OTest conditions: VBAT = 3.8 V, VDDIO = 1.2 V, unless otherwise specified. T_A = 25 °C

Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Input voltage high (VIH)	Threshold for valid input high	0.7*VDDIO			V
Input voltage low (VIL)	Threshold for valid input low			0.3*VDDIO	V
Output voltage low (VOL)	IOL = -100 μA		0.012	0.2	V
Output current low (IOL)	VOL = 0.4 V, 1 mA drive strength setting	1	2.3	5.8	mA
	VOL = 0.4 V, 2 mA drive strength setting	2	6.5	10.4	mA
	VOL = 0.4 V, 4 mA drive strength setting	4	9.6	13	mA
	VOL = 0.4 V, 8 mA drive strength setting ¹	8	13.5	16.7	mA
Input leakage current	VIN = 0 to VDDIO	-4		4	μA
Input hysteresis	VDDIO = 1.2 V		280		mV
I/O pad capacitance ²	Digital pins (except RESET_B)		3	5	pF
	RESET_B pin		5.5	7.5	pF

1. Default setting

2. Total pad input capacitances to GND and VDDIO. AC capacitance at 1 MHz.

Typical Performance Characteristics

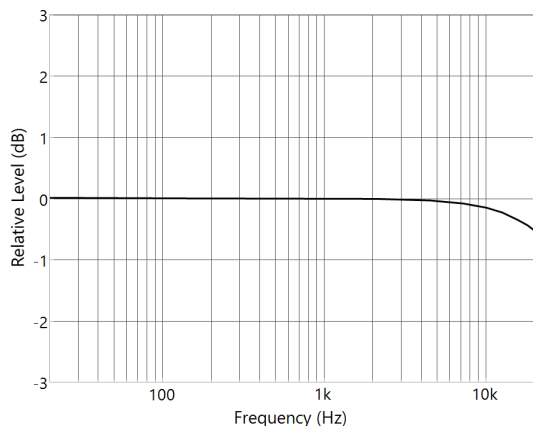


Figure 5. Frequency Response I²S 48 kHz 16 Ω

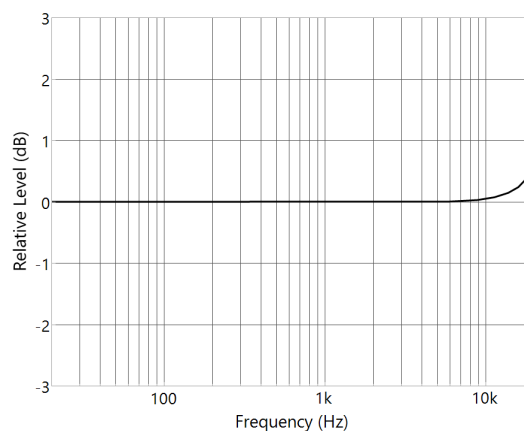


Figure 6. Frequency Response PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 16 Ω

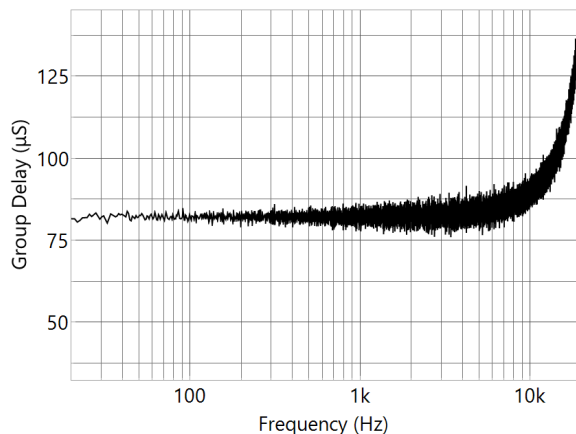


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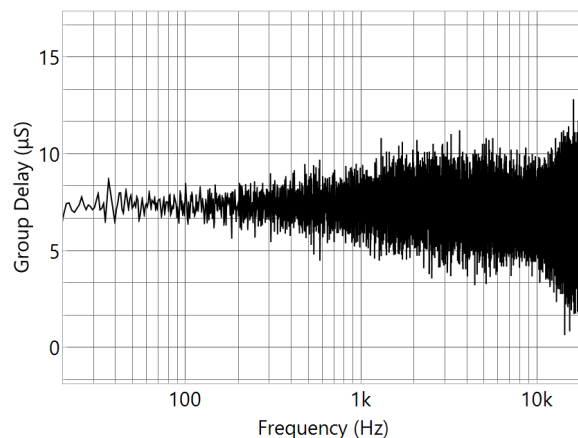


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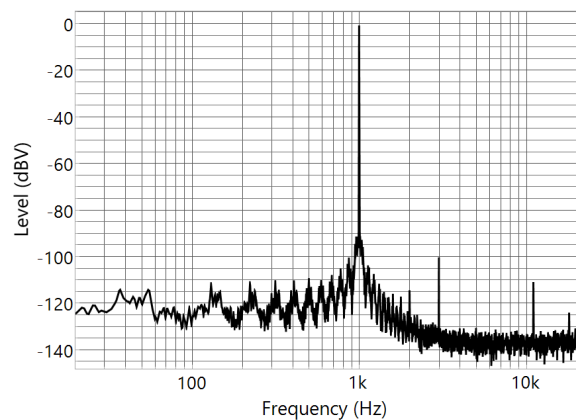


Figure 9. FFT -2 dBFS PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 16 Ω

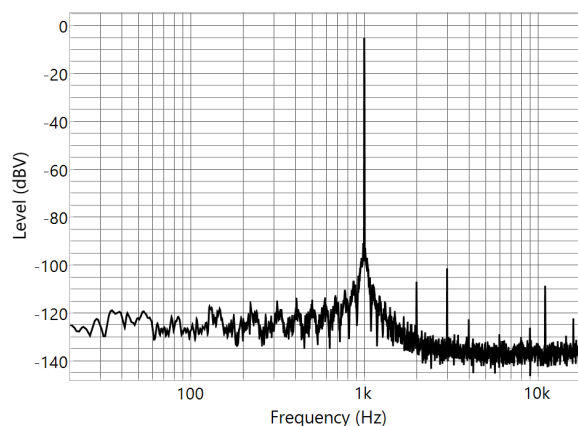
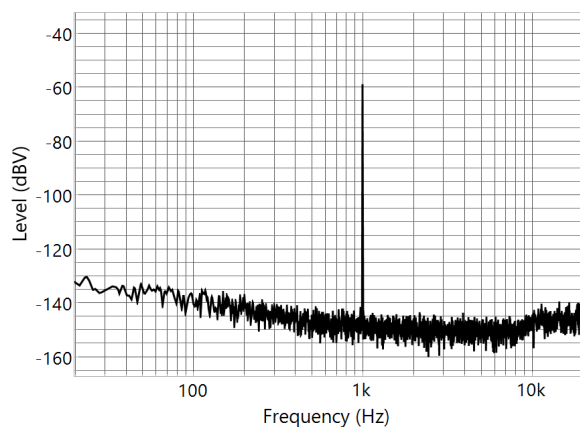
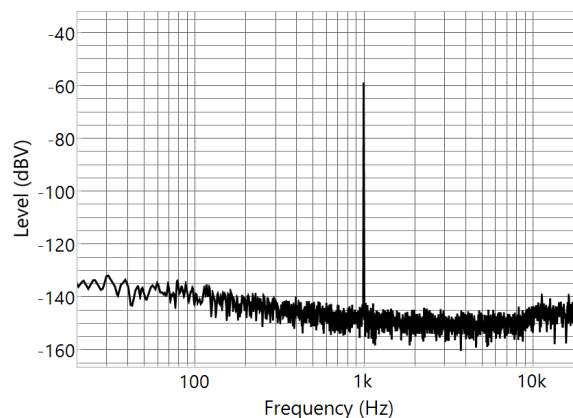
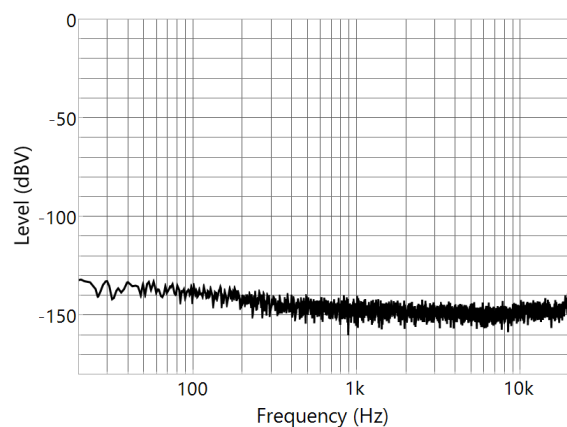
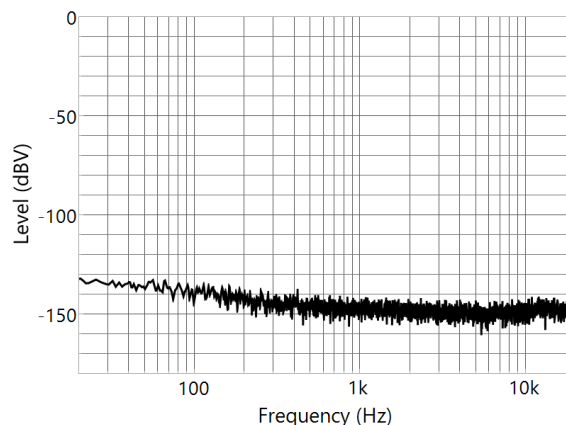
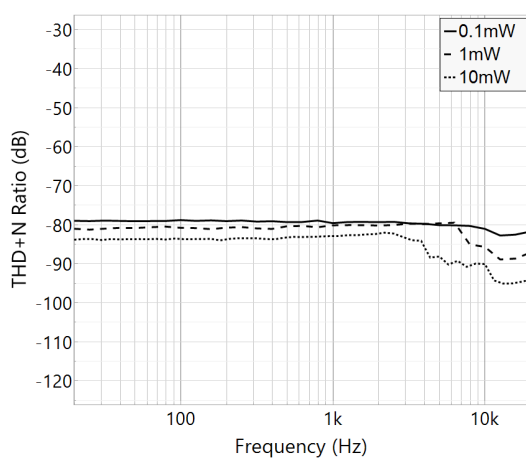
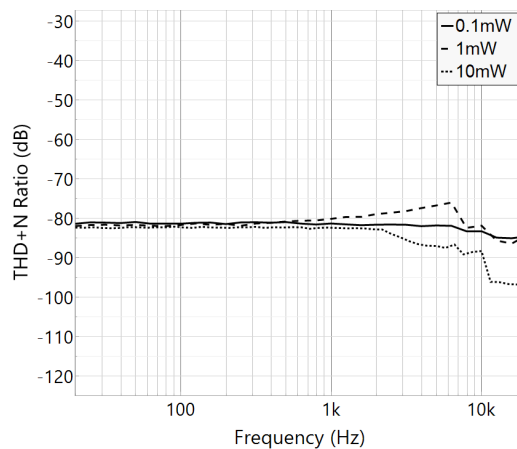
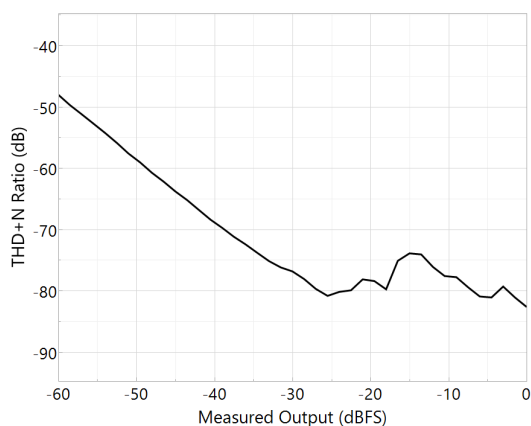
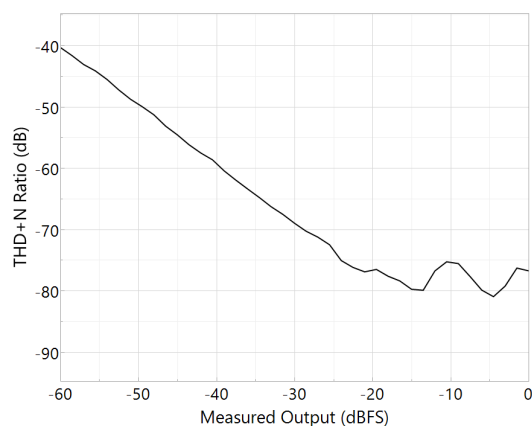
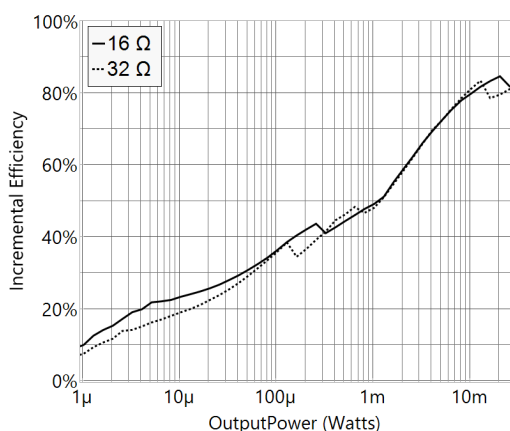
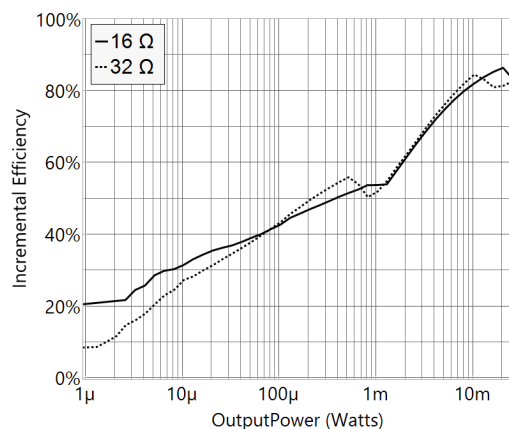
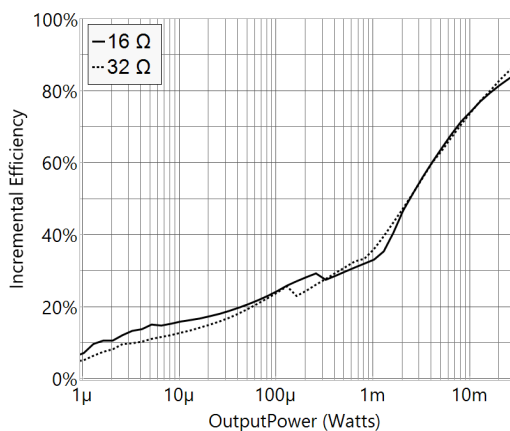
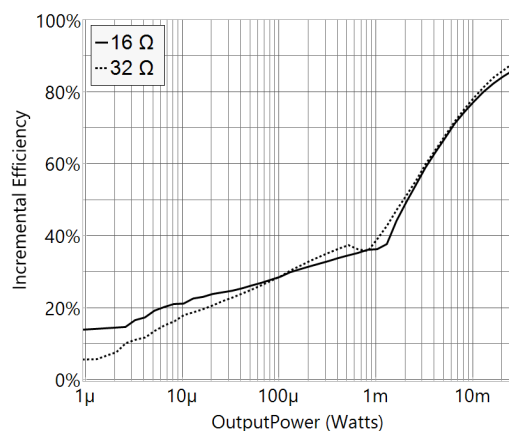


Figure 10. FFT -2 dBFS PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 32 Ω

Figure 11. FFT -60 dBFS PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 16 Ω Figure 12. FFT -60 dBFS PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 32 Ω Figure 13. FFT Dither PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 16 Ω Figure 14. FFT Dither PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 32 Ω Figure 15. THD+N versus Frequency PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 16 Ω Figure 16. THD+N versus Frequency PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 32 Ω

Figure 17. THD+N versus Output Power 16 Ω Figure 18. THD+N versus Output Power 32 Ω Figure 19. Efficiency PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 1.2 V
Normal-Gain ModeFigure 20. Efficiency PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 1.2 V
High-Gain ModeFigure 21. Efficiency PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 1.8 V
Normal-Gain ModeFigure 22. Efficiency PDM 1-Bit 3 MHz 1.8 V
High-Gain Mode

Digital Busses

PDM Timing

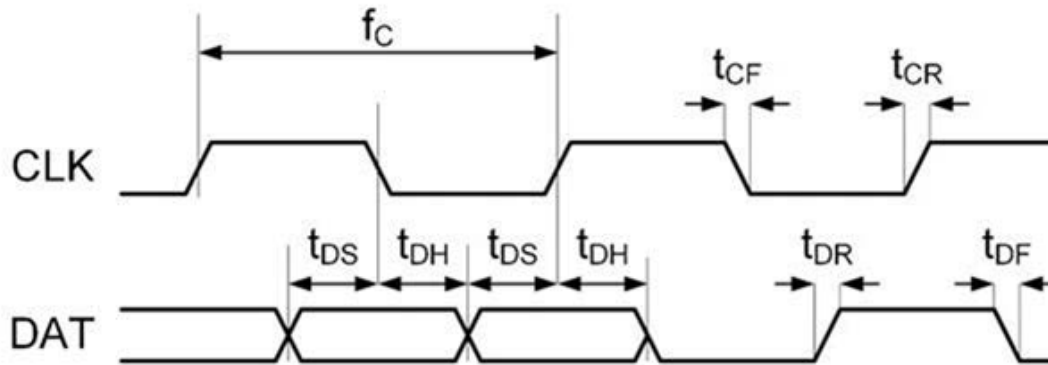


Figure 23. PDM Timing

Table 7. PDM Interface Timing

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
	PDM sample rate		2.7	3.072	3.3	MHz
	Class D modulator clock frequency	Set by the input PDM clock frequency		3.072		MHz
f_C	CLK frequency	Format = 1-bit or channels = 1	2.7	3.072	3.3	MHz
		Format = 1.5-bit and channels = 2	5.4	6.144	6.6	MHz
	CLK jitter	TIE, $f > 100$ Hz			250	ps RMS
		Period jitter			10	ns pkpk
	CLK duty cycle		45		55	%
t_{DS}	DAT to CLK setup time		20			ns
t_{DH}	CLK to DAT hold time		0			ns
t_{CR}	CLK rise time				10	ns
t_{CF}	CLK fall time				10	ns
t_{DR}	DAT rise time				10	ns
t_{DF}	DAT fall time				10	ns

SAI Timing

See the *NXP® UM11732 I²S bus specification* for details.

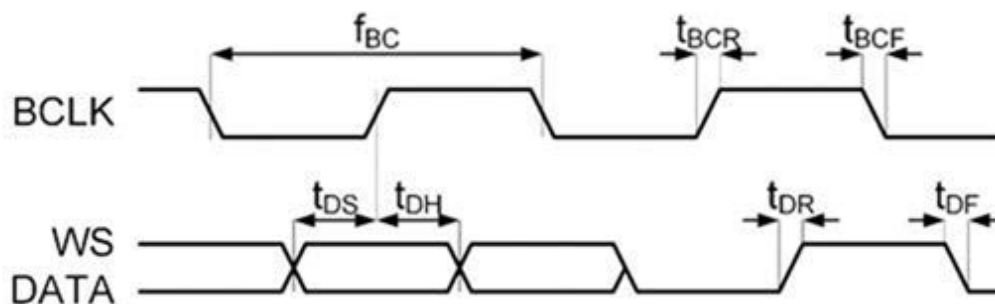


Figure 24. SAI Timing

Table 8. SAI Timing

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
f _{BC}	BCLK frequency	Sample rate = 44.1 kHz	2.7	2.82	2.9	
		Sample rate = 48 kHz	2.9	3.072	3.2	MHz
		Sample rate = 96 kHz	5.8	6.144	6.4	MHz
f _{WS}	Frame clock	64 bits per frame	44.1	48	96	kHz
t _{BCDC}	BCLK duty cycle		45		55	%
b _{WSDC}	WS duty cycle		32		32	Bits
t _{BCR}	BCLK rise time				10	ns
t _{BCF}	BCLK fall time				10	ns
t _{DR}	WS, DATA rise time				10	ns
t _{DF}	WS, DATA fall time				10	ns
t _{DS}	WS, DATA to BCLK setup time		30			ns
t _{DH}	BCLK to WS, DATA hold time		30			ns

I²C Timing Requirements

Refer to UM10204 I²C-bus specification and user manual for details.

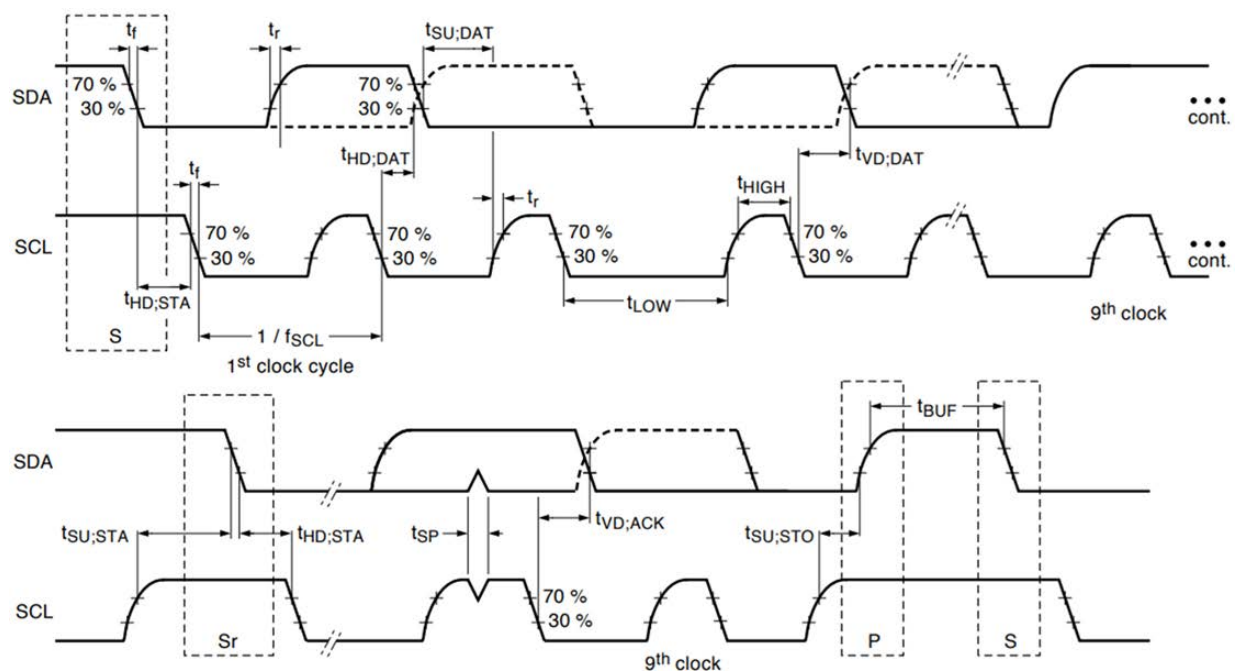


Figure 25. I²C Timing Diagram

Table 9. I²C Timing Characteristics

Symbol	Parameter	Standard		Fast Mode		Fast Mode +		Unit
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
fSCL	SCL clock frequency	0	100	0	400	0	1000	kHz
t _{HD, STA}	Hold time, repeated start condition	4		0.6		0.26		μs
t _{LOW}	Low period of SCL clock	4.7		1.3		0.5		μs
t _{HIGH}	High period of SCL clock	4		0.6		0.26		μs
t _{SU, STA}	Setup time, start condition	4.7		0.6		0.26		μs
t _{HD, DAT}	Data hold time: from SCL falling edge	0		0		0		μs
t _{SU, DAT}	Data setup time	250		100		50		ns
t _r	Rise time: SDA and SCL		1000	20	300		120	ns
t _f	Fall time: SDA and SCL		300		300		120	ns
t _{SP}	Pulse width of spikes to be suppressed			0	50	0	50	ns
t _{SU, STO}	Setup time, stop condition	4		0.6		0.26		μs
t _{BUF}	Bus-free time between stop and start	4.7		1.3		0.5		μs
t _{VD, DAT}	Data valid time		3.45		0.9		0.45	μs
t _{VD, ACK}	Data valid acknowledge time		3.45		0.9		0.45	μs

Table 9. I²C Timing Characteristics (Continued)

Symbol	Parameter	Standard		Fast Mode		Fast Mode +		Unit
		Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	
VnL	Noise margin at the low level		0.1*VDD		0.1*VDD		0.1*VDD	V
VnH	Noise margin at the high level		0.2*VDD		0.2*VDD		0.2*VDD	V
VIH	Threshold for valid input high	0.7*VDDIO		0.7*VDDIO		0.7*VDDIO		V
VIL	Threshold for valid input low		0.3*VDDIO		0.3*VDDIO		0.3*VDDIO	V
Cb	Bus capacitance		400		400		550	pF
Ci	Pin capacitance		10		10		10	pF

I²C Bit Format

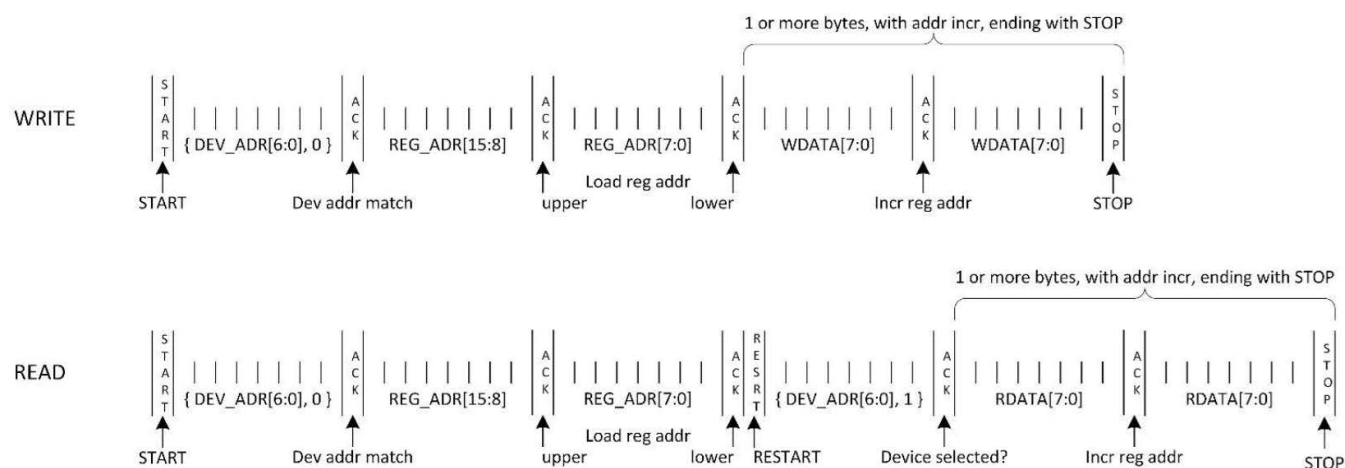
The SKY76206-21 generally follows the *NXP® UM10204 I²C bus specification and user manual*. The device address is sent first, followed by a 16-bit register address, followed by 8-bit data packets. The device address is sent with a 7-bit device address with bit 0 = '0' for write and bit 0 = '1' for read, most significant bit first.

The 16-bit register address bytes are sent in big-endian format (upper byte first, lower byte second).

The 8-bit data bytes are written or read in little-endian format (lowest byte first, upper bytes next).

Multiple data byte transactions auto-increment the register address.

Figure 26 shows a typical read and write example of the I²C transaction.

Figure 26. I²C Read/Write Protocol

Operational Information

Amplifier Modes

The amplifier has several modes of operation. Audio output modes include normal-gain mode, which has a gain of 0 dB and an output of 0 dBV = 1 V_{RMS}, and a high-gain mode, which has a gain of 6 dB and an output of +6 dBV = 2 V_{RMS}.

Low power modes include standby (no audio output), which occurs when the amplifier is commanded or in the event of a fault, and the reset mode (unprogrammed), which occurs when RESET_B is not pulled high to VDDIO.

RESET_B Pin

The RESET_B pin is an active low input with an internal weak pulldown to GND, meaning that the amplifier stays in the reset mode (lowest power state) if RESET_B is not actively driven by an external host microcontroller or pulled-up to VDDIO.

RESET_B must be driven by an external source for normal operation.

Table 10. RESET_B Pin Definition

Pin State	Pin Control Definition
RESET_B = 0 (GND or float)	Puts chip into the power down state. All circuits are off.
RESET_B = 1 (VDDIO)	Powers on chip (if all power supplies are valid).

IRQ_B Pin

The IRQ_B pin is an open drain active-low digital output pin interrupt request. It outputs a logic-low when a fault event occurs, provided the interrupt enable bits for that fault are enabled, to inform the external host microcontroller of a fault.

IRQ_B must be pulled-up to VDDIO with a 47 kΩ during normal operation.

Table 11. IRQ_B Pin Definition

Pin State	Pin Control Definition
IRQ_B = 0 (GND)	Fault detected, interrupt sent to host processor.
IRQ_B = 1 (VDDIO)	No fault detected.

ADDR Pin

The ADDR pin sets the least-significant bit (LSB) of the 7-bit I²C device address for the chip. It is internally pulled-up to VDDIO, so the pin can be left disconnected for applications where there is only one SKY76206-21 installed.

Table 12. 7-Bit I²C Device Address Selection Options

Pin State	I ² C Client Address
ADDR = 0 (GND)	0x40
ADDR = 1 (VDDIO or floating)	0x41

EN/WS Pin

The EN/WS pin is dual function enable (EN) and word sync (WS) control. The digital audio input format determines which function applies. The EASY_AMP_CFG register (0x0129) bit 1, nicknamed the EASY_EN_PIN_ENABLE bit, defines the function of the EN/WS pin. For SAI audio input formats, the pin operates in WS mode, functioning as the word sync or frame sync of the I²S, and is driven by an external source. For PDM audio input formats, the pin operates in EN mode, enabling or disabling the audio similar to a mute function.

PDM Interface

The PDM interface uses only the CLK and DATA pins for digital audio input. The PDM data format must be set with the EASY_AUDIO_INPUT (address = 0x0128) bits 6:0 before enabling the amplifier to avoid audible artifacts. The following tables and figures provide detail regarding the various PDM formats.

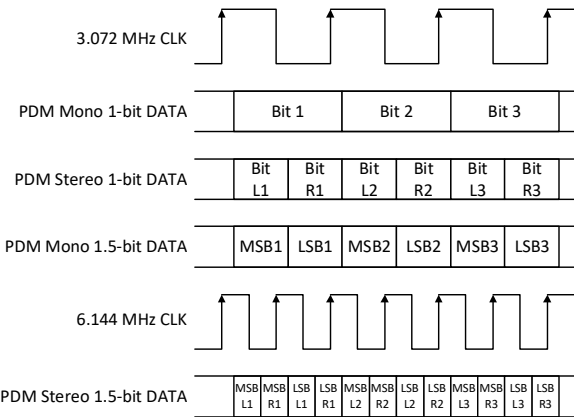


Figure 27. PDM Data Formats

Table 13. PDM Clock Configuration

Channels	Bit Format	Typical CLK Frequency
1	1-bit	3.072 MHz
2	1-bit	3.072 MHz
1	1.5-bit	3.072 MHz
2	1.5-bit	6.144 MHz

Table 14. PDM Data Codes

Bit Format	Coded	Decoded
1-bit	1'b0	-1
1-bit	1'b1	1
1.5-bit	2'b00	-1
1.5-bit	2'b01	0
1.5-bit	2'b10	Invalid
1.5-bit	2'b11	1

PDM Low Pass Filters

The SKY76206-21 has four selectable PDM low-pass filter (LPF) coefficient sets to optimize the audio performance for either low latency or low noise. The PDM low pass filter attenuates out-of-band noise from the PDM data stream before going to the PWVM in the amplifier, reducing undesirable audio artifacts.

The PDM LPF is selected with the EASY_AUDIO_INPUT register (address = 0x0128) bits 5:4. Three of the PDM LPF options are read-only. See “[Programming the SKY76206-21](#)” for additional information.

Table 15. PDM LPF Characteristics

PDM_LPF SEL	Filter Characteristics	Filter Type	OOB Peaking	Group Delay @ 10k
0	Custom third order for lowest latency	20 kHz low latency	9.4 dB @ 50 kHz	2.6 μ s
1	Third order Butterworth, 70 kHz to 3 dB corner	40 kHz low latency	None	4.6 μ s
2	Third order Butterworth, 40 kHz to 3 dB corner	20 kHz low noise	None	8.3 μ s
3	Third order elliptical, 45 kHz passband	40 kHz low noise	-0.1 dB passband at 20 kHz	5.6 μ s

Magnitude Response of Filter

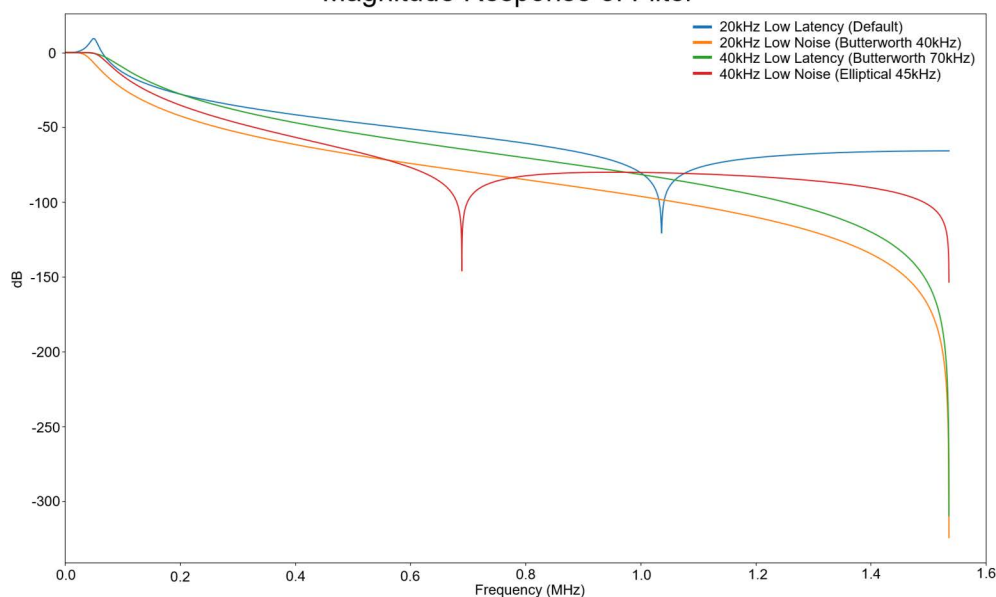


Figure 28. PDM LPF Magnitude Response

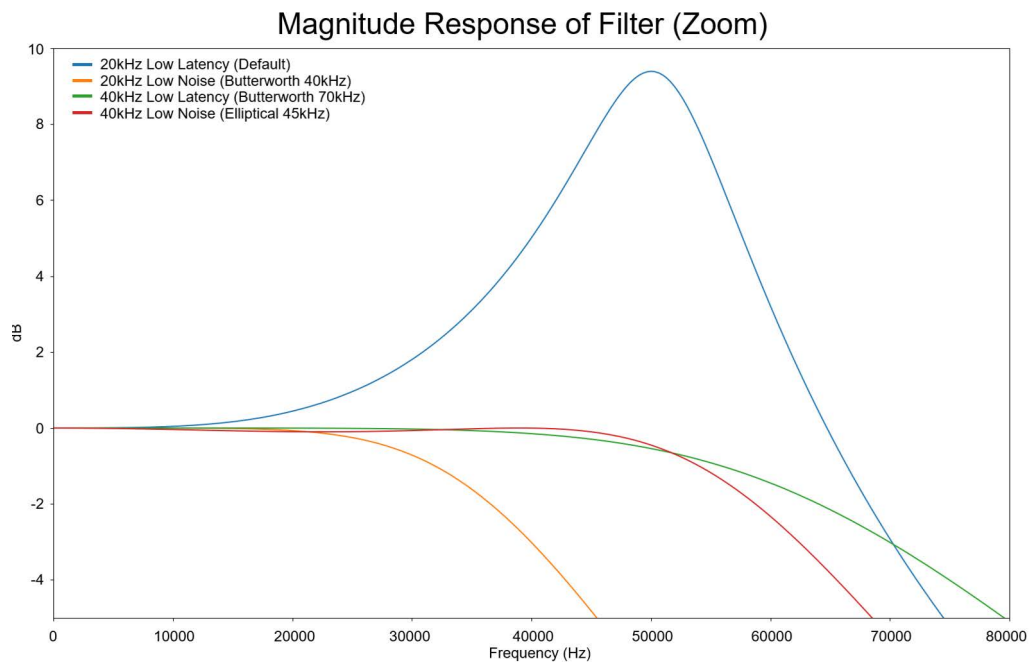


Figure 29. PDM LPF Magnitude Response Zoom

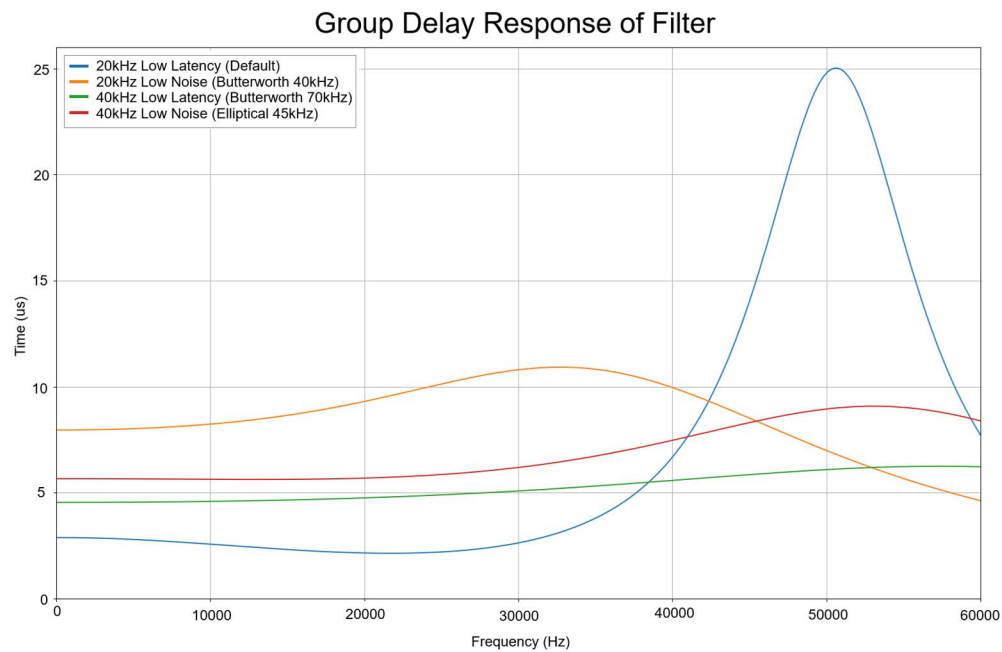


Figure 30. PDM LPF Group Delay

Serial Audio Interface

The SAI accepts PCM data streams with the CLK, DATA, and EN/WS pins. The SAI interface can accept the standard two-channel I²S or left justified (LJ) mode. The sample rates supported are 44.1 kHz or 48 kHz and 96 kHz at 32 bits per channel. For standard two-channel applications, 64-bit clocks are required per frame. The SAI interface is set up with the EASY_AUDIO_INPUT register (address = 0x0128) bits 5:4.

Table 16. Clock Rate Supported in Two-Channel I²S or LJ

Sample Rate	Bit Clock Frequency	Bits Per Channel
44.1 kHz	2.822 MHz	32
48 kHz	3.072 MHz	32
96 kHz	6.144 MHz	32

Table 17. SAI Data Format

SAI Data Format	Configuration Setting	Value	Description
I ² S	WS invert	0	Normal: low = left sample, I ² S format
	Data delay	1	BCLK cycle delay: I ² S format
Left justified	WS invert	1	Inverted: low = right sample, left justified format
	Data delay	0	BCLK cycle delay: left justified format

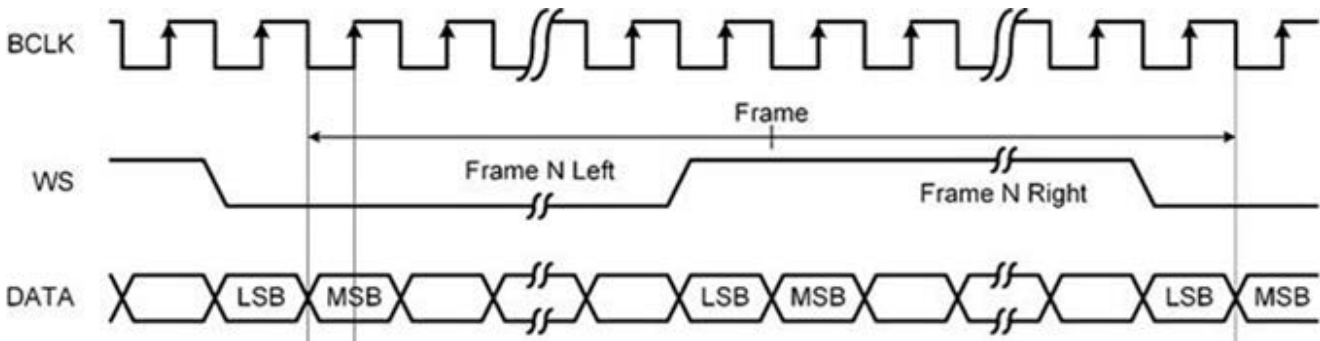


Figure 31. SAI I²S Data Format

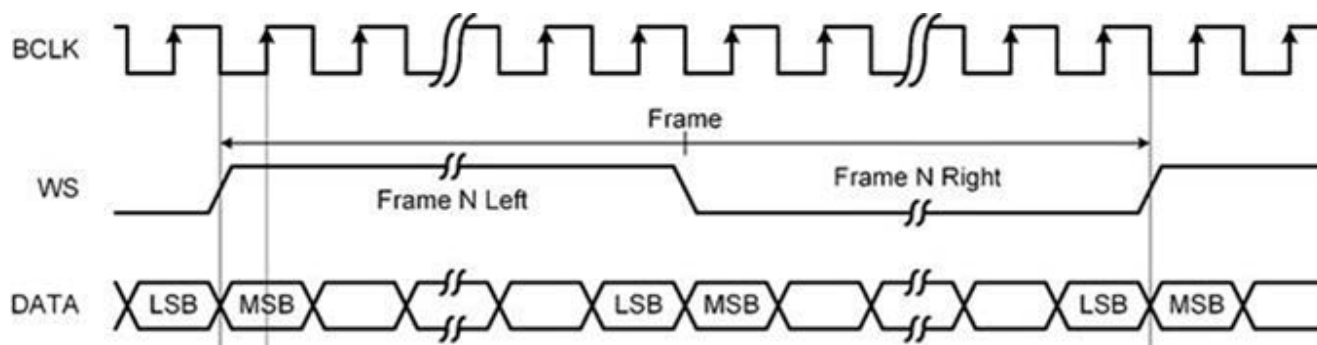


Figure 32. SAI Left Justified Data Format

Error and Fault Reporting

The SKY76206-21 has a comprehensive error detection and reporting system. Faults are recorded in the AMPSTATE_FAULT_IRQ register (0x0302). The IRQ_B pin pulls low (GND) unless the fault is masked in the AMPSTATE_FAULT_IRQ_MASK register (address = 0x0306).

The chip stays in the fault state (no audio) until the fault is cleared, either by the external host microcontroller, or using an auto-recovery feature: FAULT_AR_ENABLE (address = 0x030A), that, when enabled, allows the chip itself to resume audio once the fault is cleared. An example is if there is a thermal fault, and the auto-recovery is enabled, the audio will resume once the chip cools without external intervention.

Power Supply Sequencing and Audio Enable Timing

No special consideration is required for the power supply sequencing. Figure 33 provides the recommended sequence to power up and enable the audio.

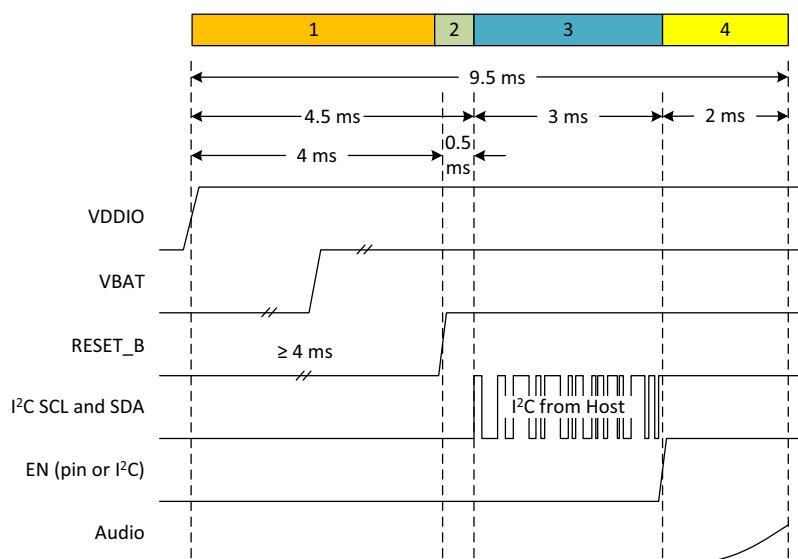


Figure 33. System Timing

Programming the SKY76206-21

The SKY76206-21 is controlled and programmed via the I²C bus.

Soft Reset

CHIPRESET (address = 0x0404) bits [7:0]

The SKY76206-21 can be reset by writing 0xA5 to this register. After reset completes, the SKY76206-21 must be re-programmed as if at initial power-up to resume normal operation.

Audio Control “Easy Mode”

The following commands provide an easy method to set up the SKY76206-21.

EASY_MODE (Address = 0x012B) Bits [7:0]

Bit 0 enables the Easy Mode registers. Bits [7:1] are always ‘0’. Easy Mode is enabled by writing 0x01 to this register.

EASY_AUDIO_INPUT (Address = 0x0128) Bits [7:0]

This register notifies the amp controller of specific information about the PDM or SAI digital input.

Table 18. EASY_AUDIO_INPUT (Address = 0x0128) Bits [7:0] Setup for PDM

Bitfield Description	Bit	Bit = 0	Bit = 1
EASY_AIN_TYPE	0	PDM mode	
EASY_AIN_FORMAT	1	1 bit	1.5 bit
EASY_AIN_CH	2	Mono	Stereo
EASY_AIN_LR_SEL	3	Main channel	AUX channel
EASY_AIN_BW ¹	4	20 kHz bandwidth LPF	40 kHz bandwidth LPF
EASY_AIN_FILTER ¹	5	Low latency	Low noise
EASY_AIN_EQ	6	Always	
Unused	7	Always	

1. The combination of EASY_AIN_BW and EASY_AIN_FILTER are used to create PDM_LPF_SEL[1] and PDM_LPF_SEL[0] which have a filter response as shown in “PDM Low Pass Filters”.

Table 19. EASY_AUDIO_INPUT (Address = 0x0128) Bits [7:0] Setup for SAI

Bitfield Description	Bit	Bit = 0	Bit = 1
EASY_AIN_TYPE	0		SAI mode
EASY_AIN_FORMAT	1	I ² S justified	Left justified
EASY_AIN_CH	2		Stereo
EASY_AIN_LR_SEL	3	Left	Right
EASY_AIN_BW	4	44.1 kbps to 48 kbps	96 kbps
EASY_AIN_FILTER	5	Always	
EASY_AIN_EQ	6	Always	
Unused	7	Always	

EASY_AMP_CFG (Address = 0x0129) Bits [7:0]

This register controls the amplifier gain (bit 0), the handling of the EN/WS pin (bit 1), and sets the VDDIO voltage level (bits [3:2]). Bits [7:4] are always '0'.

- Bit 0 "EASY_GAIN" is set to '0' for 0 dB gain (normal-gain mode) and set to '1' for +6 dB gain (high-gain mode).
- Bit 1 "EASY_EN_PIN_ENABLE" is only applicable in PDM mode. A setting of '0' ignores the EN pin while a setting of '1' follows the EN pin.
- Bit 3:2 "EASY_VDDIO_LEVEL" instructs the SKY76206 to expect VDDIO to be +1.2 V if set to '00' or +1.8 V if set to '11'.

EASY_AMP_ON (Address = 0x012A) Bits [7:0]

Bit 0 enables the amplifier block when set to '1' and disables it when set to '0'. Bits [7:1] are always '0'. To turn the amplifier block on, this register must be 0x01. Additionally, the EN pin must be at VDDIO (PDM mode and EASY_EN_PIN_ENABLE=1 only), and a valid clock must be present on the CLK pin. There can be no active faults.

Internal Tone Generator

The SKY76206-21 has a built-in tone generator so it can output a sine wave without an external digital audio source.

TONE_GEN_FREQ (Address = 0x05C0) Bits [23:0]

The tone generator frequency is determined by the equation $\text{TONE_GEN_FREQ} \times 0.1831 \text{ Hz}$. The default setting 0x001555 sets the frequency to 1 kHz.

TONE_GEN_AMPL (Address = 0x05C8) Bits [7:0]

The tone generator amplitude is broken into two parts: bits [3:0] are a scaling factor that when set to '0000' represents full scale (0 dBFS), otherwise each bit scales the amplitude by 1/16. Bits [7:4] right shift the scaling factor. The default setting is 0x00 which does not scale the amplitude.

TONE_GEN_OFFSET (Address = 0x05C4) Bits [23:0]

The tone generator dc offset is determined by the signed integer register TONE_GEN_OFFSET and defaults to 0x000000. Each bit represents a 119.2 μ V increment in dc offset ($1/2^{23}$).

TONE_GEN_CTL (Address = 0x05C9) Bits [7:0]

The tone generator is enabled by setting bit 0 to '1' and disabled by setting to '0'.

The tone generator wave shape is changed by setting bits [2:1] to '00' for sine, '01' for triangle.

The tone generator disables other audio sources by setting bit 3 to '1' and mixes other audio sources by setting to '0'.

Bits [7:4] are not used and should be all zero.

Fault and Status Registers**AMPSTATE_STATE_STATUS (Address = 0x0328) Bits [7:0]**

This read-only register replies with the live state of the amplifier. Bit 2:0 are the only bits that contain information. The other bits [7:3] are '0'.

Table 20. AMP_STATE_STATUS (Address = 0x0328) Bits [7:0]

Response	Current State
0x00	<invalid>
0x01	OTP reading
0x02	<unused>
0x03	Standby
0x04	Amp turn-on
0x05	Amp turn-off
0x06	Audio playing
0x07	Fault

AMPSTATE_FAULT_IRQ (Address = 0x0302) Bits [31:0]

This register logs active faults or statuses by changing the associated fault bit from '0' to '1'. Each fault can be cleared by writing '1' to that bit (W1C = write '1' to clear), and all can be cleared by writing 0x000FFFFF to this register.

AMPSTATE_FAULT_IRQ_MASK (Address = 0x0306) Bits [31:0]

The AMPSTATE_FAULT_IRQ_MASK (address = 0x0306) enables or disables the reporting of the fault or status with the IRQ_B pin.

FAULT_AR_ENABLE (Address = 0x030A) Bits [15:0]

This register determines what happens after a fault or status change is detected. If set to '0', the chip stays in fault until the external host microcontroller reads and clears the fault. If set to '1', the amplifier automatically restarts once the fault is cleared.

Table 21. Fault/Status, Fault/Status Mask, and Auto-Recovery Bits

Bit	Fault Bit Name	Mask Bit Name	Fault Auto-Recovery Bit Name	Fault Description	Source
0	SUPPLY_OP9V_FAULT_IRQ	SUPPLY_OP9V_FAULT_IRQM	SUPPLY_OP9V_FAULT_AR	VDD0P9 below min. allowed voltage	Supply monitor
1	SUPPLY_VBAT_FAULT_IRQ	SUPPLY_VBAT_FAULT_IRQM	SUPPLY_VBAT_FAULT_AR	VBAT below min. allowed voltage	Supply monitor
2	TEMP_FAULT_IRQ	TEMP_FAULT_IRQM	TEMP_FAULT_AR	On-chip temp. detector exceeds limit	Temp monitor
3	OTPRD_FAULT_IRQ	OTPRD_FAULT_IRQM	OTPRD_FAULT_AR	OTP errors at start-up	OTP
4	Reserved				
5	PDMCLK_FAULT_IRQ	PDMCLK_FAULT_IRQM	PDMCLK_FAULT_AR	Invalid PDM clock period or pulses missing	Audio RX
6	PDMSTA_FAULT_IRQ	PDMSTA_FAULT_IRQM	PDMSTA_FAULT_AR	Invalid PDM data stuck at symbol for > 31 samples	Audio RX
7	PDMIVC_FAULT_IRQ	PDMIVC_FAULT_IRQM	PDMIVC_FAULT_AR	PDM invalid coding (1.5-bit)	Audio RX
8	Reserved				
9	PLL_FAULT_IRQ	PLL_FAULT_IRQM	PLL_FAULT_AR	Phase-locked loop (PLL) is not locked	Clock
10	SAI_WS_FAULT_IRQ	SAI_WS_FAULT_IRQM	SAI_WS_FAULT_AR	SAI word strobe (EN/WS) not at correct rate	Audio RX
11	Reserved				
12	Reserved				
13	CLIP_IRQ	CLIP_IRQM	N/A	Digital audio clipping in the signal limiter	Digital audio path
14	PDM_LPF_OVERFLOW_IRQ	PDM_LPF_OVERFLOW_IRQM	N/A	PDM LPF bits are overflowing	Digital audio path
15	PDM_DSM_OVERFLOW_IRQ	PDM_DSM_OVERFLOW_IRQM	N/A	PDM audio DAC DSM overflow	Digital audio path
16	WD_OVERFLOW_IRQ	WD_OVERFLOW_IRQM	N/A	WATCHDOG overflow	Amp controller
17	Reserved				
18	AMP_AUDIO_IRQ	AMP_AUDIO_IRQM	N/A	Amp is ready to play audio (not a fault)	Amp controller
19	LF_OVERLOAD_IRQ	LF_OVERLOAD_IRQM	N/A	Loop filter overload (output audio clipped)	Loop filter

Customization

USER_GAIN (Address = 0x0022) Bits [15:0]

The user gain address allows adjustment of the digital gain applied after the digital EQ. The default gain of 0x01D9 is set so a -6 dBFS PDM input or 0 dBFS PCM input results in 0 dBV (1 V_{RMS}) amplifier output, in normal-gain mode.

Bits [15:9] are unused and are always '0'. Bits [8:5] represent an exponent while bits [4:0] represent a mantissa. The equation for the gain, in dB, is: $20 * \log((1 + (\text{Bits}[4:0]/32)) * (2^{(\text{Bits}[8:5]-14)}) * 0.5614)$

The default setting 0x01D9 = 111011001 binary, so the mantissa bits [4:0] are 11001 binary = 25 decimal, and the exponent bits [8:5] are 1110 binary = 14 decimal:

$$20 * \log((1 + 25/32) * 2^{(14-14)} * 0.5614) = 20 * \log(1.781 * 1 * 0.5614) = 20 * \log(1) = 0 \text{ dB}$$

TS_FAULT_CODE_TRIM Register (Address = 0x7F92) Bits [7:0]

The temperature monitor threshold to trigger a shutdown fault is written in the TS_CTL register (address = 0x0626) bits 7:0. To ensure that the part does not exceed the absolute maximum rating of +85 °C, this register should be confirmed and may need to be adjusted. It is required to read the TS_FAULT_CODE_TRIM register (address = 0x7F92) bits 6:0 for the calculation.

In the example below, TS_FAULT_CODE_TRIM = 0x1F = 31 decimal:

$$TS_CTL [7:0] = 128 + TS_FAULT_CODE_TRIM + (T_{FAULT} - 27) / 1.312$$

$$TS_CTL [7:0] = 128 + 31 + (85 - 27) / 1.312$$

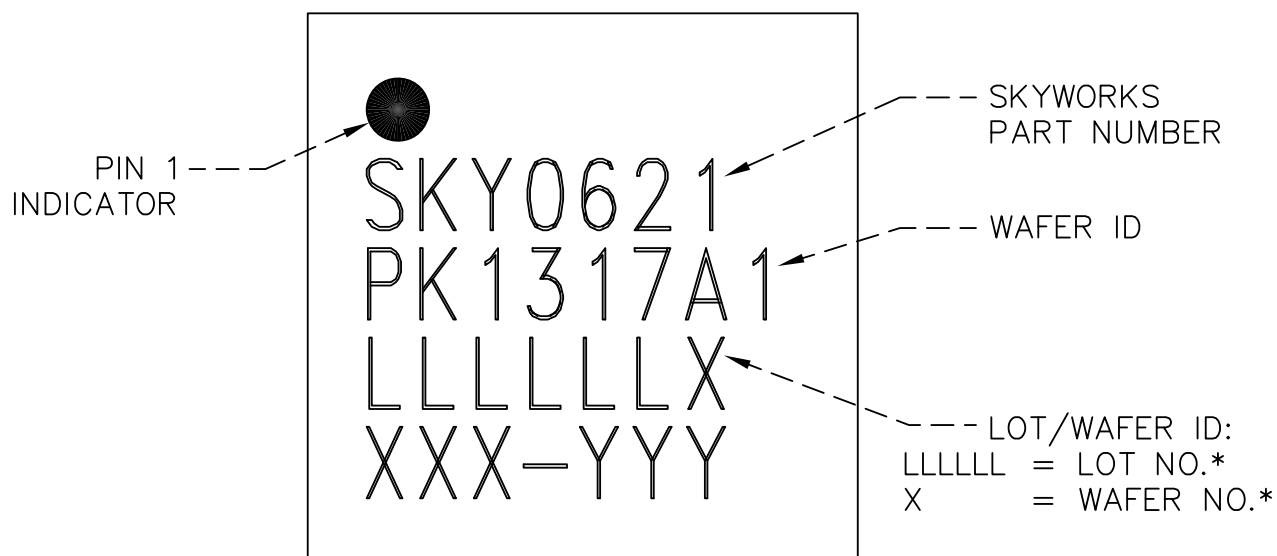
$$TS_CTL [7:0] = 128 + 31 + 44 = 203 = 0xCB$$

Package and Handling Information

Since the device package is sensitive to moisture absorption, it is baked and vacuum packed before shipping. Instructions on the shipping container label regarding exposure to moisture after the container seal is broken must be followed. Otherwise, problems related to moisture absorption may occur when the part is subjected to high temperature during solder assembly.

The SKY76206-21 is rated to Moisture Sensitivity Level 1 (MSL1) at 260°C and can be used for lead or lead-free soldering. For additional information, refer to the Skyworks Application Note, "Solder Reflow Information," document number 200164.

Care must be taken when attaching this product, whether it is done manually or in a production solder reflow environment. Refer to Standard SMT Reflow Profiles: *JEDEC Standard J-STD-020*.



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Figure 34. Typical Part Marking

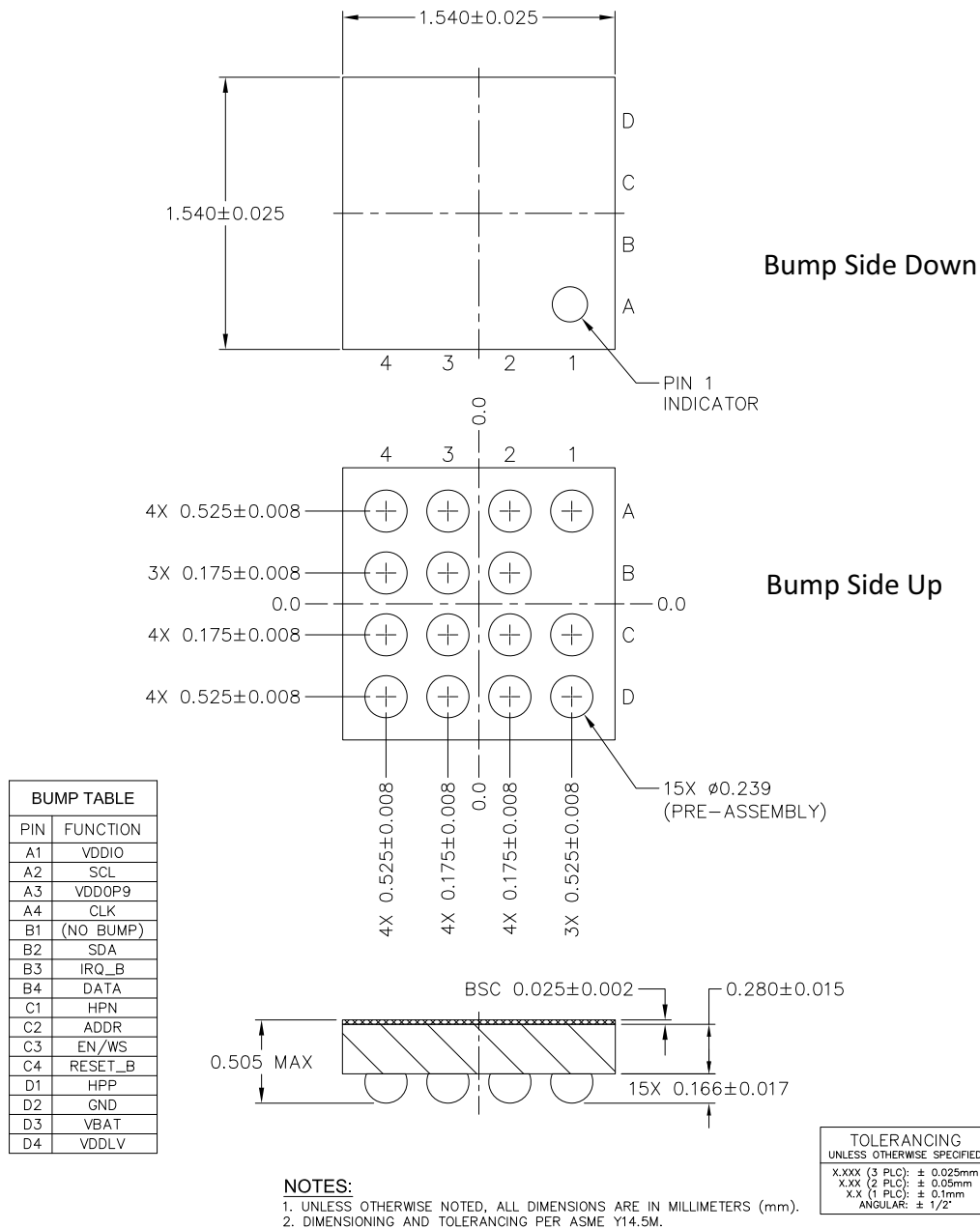


Figure 35. Package Dimensions

Ordering Information

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		SKY76206-21EVK2 (Stereo)

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