Dual-Output PWM Controller with 3 Integrated Drivers for AMD SVI2 Mobile CPU Power Supply

General Description

The RT3662AM is a dual-output PWM controller with 3 integrated drivers, and it is compliant with AMD SVI2 Voltage Regulator Specification to support both CPU core (VDD) and Northbridge portion of CPU (VDDNB). The RT3662AM features CCRCOT (Constant Current Ripple Constant On-Time) with G-NAVP (Green-Native AVP), which is Richtek' s proprietary topology. G-NAVP makes it an easy setting controller to meet all AMD AVP (Adaptive Voltage Positioning) VDD/VDDNB requirements. The droop is easily programmed by setting the DC gain of the error amplifier. With proper compensation, the load transient response can achieve optimized AVP performance. The controller also uses the interface to issue VOTF Complete and to send digitally encoded voltage and current values for the VDD/VDDNB domains. The RT3662AM can operate in diode emulation mode to enhance the light load efficiency. And it provides the current gain adjustment capability by pin setting. The RT3662AM provides power good indication, thermal indication (VRHOT_L), and it features complete fault protection functions including over current, over voltage and under voltage.

Features

- **2/1-Phase (VDD) + 1/0-Phase (VDDNB) PWM Controller**
- **3 Embedded MOSFET Drivers**
- **G-NAVPTM Topology**
- **Support Dynamic Load-Line and Zero Load-Line**
- **Diode Emulation Mode at Light Load Condition**
- **SVI2 Interface to Comply with AMD Power Management Protocol**
- **Adjustable Current Gain Capability**
- **DVID Enhancement**
- **0.5% DAC Accuracy**
- **Differential Remote Voltage Sensing**
- **Build-in ADC for Pin Setting Programming, Thermal Indication and V_{OUT}, I_{OUT} Reporting**
- **Fast Transient Response**
- **Power Good Indicator**
- **Thermal Indicator (VRHOT_L)**
- **OVP, UVP and UVLO**
- **Over Current Protection**

Applications

- AMD SVI2 Mobile CPU
- Laptop Computer

Simplified Application Circuit

Ordering Information

RT3662AM_D

Package Type QW : WQFN-40L 5x5 (W-Type) Lead Plating System G : Green (Halogen Free and Pb Free)

Note :

Richtek products are :

- RoHS compliant and compatible with the current require ments of IPC/JEDEC J-STD-020.
- ▶ Suitable for use in SnPb or Pb-free soldering processes.

Marking Information

RT3662AM GQW YMDNN

RT3662AMGQW : Product Number YMDNN : Date Code

Pin Configuration

Functional Pin Description

Functional Block Diagram

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Operation

The RT3662AM adopts G-NAVP™ (Green Native AVP) which is Richtek' s proprietary topology derived from finite DC gain of EA amplifier with current mode control, making it easy to set the droop to meet all AMD CPU requirements of AVP (Adaptive Voltage Positioning). The G-NAVP™ controller is one type of current mode constant on-time control with DC offset cancellation. The approach can not only improve DC offset problem for increasing system accuracy but also provide fast transient response. When current feedback signal reaches COMP signal, it generates an on-time width to achieve PWM modulation.

MUX and ADC

The MUX supports the inputs from SET1, TSEN, TSEN_NB, IMONI, IMONI_NB, ISENN_NB and VSEN. The ADC converts these analog signals to digital codes for reporting or performance adjustment.

SVI2 Interface/Configuration Registers/Control Logic

The SVI2 interface uses the SVC, SVD, and SVT pins to communicate with CPU. The configuration registers save the digital data from ADC output for reporting or performance adjustment. The Control Logic controls the ADC timing and generates the digital code of the VID for VDD/VDDNB voltage.

Loop Control Protection Logic

Loop control protection logic detects EN and UVLO signals to initiate the soft-start function, and the PGOOD and VRHOT_L will be controlled after the soft-start is finished. When VRHOT indication event occurs, the VRHOT_L pin voltage will be pulled low.

DAC

The DAC receives VID codes from the SVI2 control logic to generate an internal reference voltage (VSET/VSET_NB) for controller.

Soft-Start and Slew-Rate Control

This block controls the slew rate of the internal reference voltage when output voltage changes.

Error Amplifier

Error amplifier generates COMP/COMP_NB signal by the difference between VSET/VSET_NB and FB/FB_NB.

Offset Cancellation

This block cancels the output offset voltage from voltage ripple and current ripple to achieve accurate output voltage.

UVLO

Detect the VCC pin voltage for under voltage lockout protection and power on reset operation.

Current Balance

Each phase current sense signal is sent to the current balance circuit which adjusts the on-time of each phase to optimize current sharing.

PWM CMP

The PWM comparator compares COMP signal (COMP/ COMP_NB) and current feedback signal to generate a signal for TONGEN.

TONGEN

This block generates an on-time pulse which high interval is based on the on-time setting.

RAMP

The Ramp generator is designed to improve noise immunity and reduce jitter.

OC/OV/UV

Output voltage and output current are sensed for over current, over voltage and under voltage protection.

Table 1. Serial VID Codes

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* Indicates TOB is 80mV for this VID code; unconditional VR controller stability required at all VID codes

Table 3. SET1 Pin Setting for VDDNB Controller AI Gain Ratio, VDD Controller QR Threshold

Table 4. TSEN Pin Setting for the Frequency of VDD/VDDNB Controller, VDD Controller Initial Offset and PHOCP Setting Ratio

Table 5. TSEN_NB Pin Setting for VDDNB Controller Initial Offset, Voltage Reporting Offset and PHOCP

Table 6. VDDNB Voltage Reporting Offset Table

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Absolute Maximum Ratings (Note 1)

Recommended Operating Conditions $(Note 4)$

Electrical Characteristics

(V_{CC} = 5V, T_A = 25°C, unless otherwise specified)

- **Note 1.** Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions may affect device reliability.
- Note 2. θ_{JA} is measured under natural convection (still air) at T_A = 25°C with the component mounted on a high effectivethermal-conductivity four-layer test board on a JEDEC 51-7 thermal measurement standard. θ_{JC} is measured at the exposed pad of the package.
- **Note 3.** Devices are ESD sensitive. Handling precaution is recommended.
- **Note 4.** The device is not guaranteed to function outside its operating conditions.

Typical Application Circuit

Timing Diagram

Typical Operating Characteristics

Time (50μs/Div)

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Time (10μs/Div)

SVT (2V/Div) VDD (200mV/Div)

SVD $(2V/Div)$

 $VID = 1V$ to 1.4V, $I_{Load} = 19.5A$

 $f_{\text{Load}} = 10$ kHz, $I_{\text{Load}} = 20$ A to 55A

Time (5μs/Div)

VDD

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UGATE_NB (20V/Div)

PGOOD (3V/Div)

EN (3V/Div)

VDDNB $(500mV/Div)^2$

Boot VID = 0.8

Application Information

Power Ready (POR) Detection

During start-up, the RT3662AM will detect the voltage at the voltage input pins: VCC, PVCC and EN. When VCC > 4.3V and PVCC > 3.85V, the IC will recognize the power state of system to be ready (POR = high) and wait for enable command at the EN pin. After POR = high and V_{EN} > 2V, the IC will enter start-up sequence for both VDD and VDDNB rail. If the voltage of VCC and EN pin drop below low threshold, the IC will enter power down sequence and all the functions will be disabled. Normally, connecting system power to the EN pin is recommended. The SVID will be ready in 2ms (max) after the chip has been enabled. All the protection latches (OVP, OCP, UVP) will be cleared only after POR = low. The condition of V_{EN} = low will not clear these latches.

Figure 1. Power Ready (POR) Detection

Boot VID

When EN goes high, both VDD and VDDNB output begin to soft-start to the Boot VID in CCM. Table 7 shows the Boot VID setting. The Boot VID is determined by the SVC and SVD input states at EN rising edge and it is in the internal register. The digital soft-start circuit ramps up the reference voltage at a controlled slew rate to reduce inrush current during start-up. When all the output voltages are above power good threshold (300mV below Boot VID) at the end of soft-start, the controller asserts power good (PGOOD) after a time delay.

Start-Up Sequence

After EN goes high, the RT3662AM starts up and operates according to the initial settings. Figure 2 shows the simplified sequence timing diagram. The detailed operation is described in the following.

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Description of Figure 2 :

T0: When the VIN power is ready, the RT3662AM will wait for VCC and PVCC POR.

T1: VDDIO power is ready, and the BOOT VID can be set by SVC pin and SVD pin, and latched at EN rising edge. SVT is driven high by the RT3662AM.

T2: The enable signal goes high and all output voltages ramp up to the Boot VID in CCM. The soft-start slew rate is 2.5mV/ms.

T3: All output voltages are within the regulation limits and the PGOOD signal goes high.

T4: The PWROK pin goes high and the SVI2 interface starts running. The RT3662AM waits for SVID command from processor.

T5: A valid SVID command transaction occurs between the processor and the RT3662AM.

T6: The RT3662AM starts VOTF (VID on-the-Fly) transition according to the received SVID command and send a VOTF Complete if the VID is greater than BOOT VID and reaches target VID.

T7: The PWROK pin goes low and the SVI2 interface stops running. All output voltages go back to the Boot VID in CCM.

T8: The PWROK pin goes high again and the SVI2 interface starts running. The RT3662AM waits for SVID command from processor.

T9: A valid SVID command transaction occurs between the processor and the RT3662AM.

T10: The action is same with T6. The RT3662AM starts VID on-the-Fly transition and send a VOTF Complete if the VID up and reaches target VID.

T11: The enable signal goes low and all output voltages enter soft-shutdown mode. The soft-shutdown slew rate is 2.5mV/ms.

Power-Down Sequence

If the voltage at the EN pin falls below the enable falling threshold, the controller is disabled. The voltage at the PGOOD pin will immediately go low when EN pin signal goes low, and the controller executes soft-shutdown operation. The internal digital circuit ramps down the reference voltage at the same slew rate as that of in softstart, making VDD and VDDNB output voltages gradually decrease in CCM. The Boot VID information stored in the internal register is cleared at POR. This event forces the RT3662AM to check the SVC and SVD inputs for a new boot VID when the EN voltage goes high again.

PGOOD

The PGOOD is open-drain logic output. It provides the power good signal when VDD and VDDNB output voltage are within the regulation limits and no protection is triggered. The pin is typically tied to 3.3V or 5V power source through a pull-high resistor. During shutdown state (EN = low) and the soft-start period, the PGOOD voltage is pulled low. After a successful soft-start and VDD and VDDNB output voltages are within the regulation limits, the PGOOD is released high.

The voltage at the PGOOD pin will be pulled low when any of the following events occurs : over-voltage protection, under-voltage protection, over-current protection, and logic low EN voltage. If one rail triggers protection, the PGOOD will be pull low.

SVI2 Wire Protocol

The RT3662AM complies with AMD' s Voltage Regulator Specification, which defines the Serial VID Interface 2.0 (SVI2) protocol. With SVI2 protocol, the processor directly controls the reference voltage level of each individual controller channel and determines which controller operates in power saving mode. The SVI2 interface is a three-wire bus that connects a single master to one or above slaves. The master initiates and terminates SVI2 transactions and drives the clock, SVC, and the data, SVD, during a transaction. The slave drives the telemetry, SVT during a transaction. The AMD processor is always the master. The voltage regulator controller (RT3662AM) is always the slave. The RT3662AM receives the SVID code and acts accordingly. The SVI protocol supports 20MHz high speed mode I²C, which is based on SVD data packet. Table 8 shows the SVD data packet. A SVD packet consists of a "Start" signal, three data bytes after each byte, and a "Stop" signal. The 8-bit serial VID codes are listed in Table1. After the RT3662AM has received the

stop sequence, it decodes the received serial VID code and executes the command. The controller has the ability to sample and report voltage and current for the VDD and VDDNB domains. The controller reports this telemetry serially over the SVT wire which is clocked by the processor driven SVC. A bit TFN at SVD packet along with the VDD and VDDNB domain selector bits are used by the processor to change the telemetry functionality. The telemetry bit definition is listed in Figure 3. The detailed SVI2 specification is outlined in the AMD Voltage Regulator and Voltage Regulator Module (VRM) and Serial VID Interface 2.0 (SVI2) Specification.

Table 8. SVD Data Packet

PWROK and SVI2 Operation

The PWROK pin is an input pin, which is connected to the global power good signal from the platform. Logic high at this pin enables the SVI2 interface, allowing data transaction between processor and the RT3662AM. Once the RT3662AM receives a valid SVID code, it decodes the information from processor to determine which output plane is going to move to the target VID. The internal DAC then steps the reference voltage in a controlled slew rate, making the output voltage shift to the required new VID. Depending on the SVID code, more than one controller channel can be targeted simultaneously in the VID transition. For example, VDD and VDDNB voltages can ramp up/down at the same time.

If the PWROK input goes low during normal operation, the SVI2 protocol stops running. The RT3662AM immediately drives SVT high and modifies all output voltages back to the Boot VID, which is stored in the internal register right after the controller is enabled. The controller does not read SVD and SVC inputs after the loss of PWROK. If the PWROK input goes high again, the SVI2 protocol resumes running. The RT3662AM then waits to decode the SVID command from processor for a new VID and acts as previously described. The SVI2 protocol is only runs when the PWROK input goes high after the voltage at the EN pin goes high.

VID On-the-Fly Transition

After the RT3662AM has received a valid SVID code, it executes the VID on-the-Fly transition by stepping up/ down the reference voltage of the required controller channel in a controlled slew rate, hence allowing the output voltage to ramp up/down to target VID.

During the VID on-the-Fly transition, the RT3662AM will force CCM operation in high performance mode. If the controller channel operates in the power-saving mode prior to the VID on-the-Fly transition, it will change to high performance mode and implement CCM operation when the controller implement VID up, and then back to the VID up PS command after VID achieve target voltage at 20μs to 40μs; if the controller implement VID down in powersaving mode, it will decay down and keep in power-saving mode. The voltage at the PGOOD pin will keep high during the VID on-the-Fly transition. The RT3662AM send a VOTF complete only at the end of VID up transition. In the event of receiving a VID off code, the RT3662AM steps the reference voltage of required controller channel down to zero, hence making the required output voltage decrease to zero, and the voltage at the PGOOD pin will remain high since the VID code is valid.

Power State Transition

The RT3662AM supports power state transition function in VDD and VDDNB VR for the PSI[x] L command from AMD processor. The PSI[x] L bit in the SVI2 protocol controls the operating mode of the RT3662AM controller channels. The default operation mode of VDD and VDDNB VR is full-phase CCM.

When the VDD VR is in N phase configuration and receives PSI0 $L = 0$ and PSI1 $L = 0$ or 1, the VDD VR will entry 1phase diode emulation mode. When the VDD VR receives PSI0 L = 1 and PSI1 L = 0, the VDD VR remains 1-phase diode emulation mode. In reverse, the VDD VR goes back to N phase operation in CCM upon receiving PSI0 $L = 1$ and PSI1 $L = 1$, see Table 9. When the VDDNB VR receives PSI0 $L = 0$ and PSI1 $L = 0$ or 1, it enters 1phase diode emulation mode. If the VDDNB VR receives PSI0 L = 1 and PSI1 L = 0, it remains 1-phase diode emulation mode. The VDDNB VR will go back to 1-phase CCM operation after receiving PSI0 $L = 1$ and PSI1 $L =$ 1, see Table 10.

Table 9. VDD VR Power State

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Full Phase Number	PSI0_L: PSI1_L	Mode
2	11	2 phase CCM
	10	
	01	1 phase DEM
	00	
	11	1 phase CCM
	10	
	01	1 phase DEM
	00	

Table 10. VDDNB VR Power State

Differential Remote Sense Setting

The VDD and VDDNB controllers have differential, remotesense inputs to eliminate the effects of voltage drops along the PC board traces, processor internal power routes and socket contacts. The processor contains on-die sense pins, including of VDD_SENSE, VDDNB_SENSE and VSS_SENSE. Connect RGND to VSS_SENSE. For VDD controller, connect FB to VDD_SENSE with a resistor to build the negative input path of the error amplifier. Connect FB_NB to VDDNB_SENSE with a resistor using the same way in VDD controller. Connect VSS_SENSE to RGND using separate trace as shown in Figure 4. The precision reference voltages refer to RGND for accurate remote sensing.

Figure 4. Differential Remote Voltage Sense Connection

SET1 Pin Setting

The RT3662AM provides the SET1 pin for platform users to set the VDD and VDDNB controller current gain ratio (AI_VDD, AI_VDDNB), VDD controller QR threshold (QR_TH) and VDDNB voltage reporting offset bit[1:3] (VDDNB_RPT_OFS). Platform designers should use resistive voltage divider on the pin, refer to Figure 5. The voltage (VREF) at VREF_PINSET pin will be pulled up to 3.2V for SET1 pin setting after power ready (POR), and then the voltage will change and fix to 0.8V with a delay time for normal operation.

The divided voltage at the SET1 pin as below :

$$
V_{SET1_DIV} = 3.2 \times \frac{R_D}{R_U + R_D}
$$

The ADC monitors and decodes the voltage at this pin only once after power up. After ADC decoding (only once), a 80μA current (when VCC = 5V) will be generated at the SET1 pin for pin setting. That is the voltage at SET1 pin described as below:

$$
V_{SET1_IR} = 80 \mu \times \frac{R_U \times R_D}{R_U + R_D}
$$

From equation (1) and (2) and Table 2 and 3, platform users can set the above described pin setting functions.

TSEN and TSEN_NB Pin Setting

The RT3662AM provides the TSEN and TSEN_NB pins for platform users to set the pin setting functions, including the VDD and VDDNB controller switching frequency (F_{SW}), Initial offset, Per-phase over current protection (PHOCP) and VDDNB voltage reporting offset bit[0] (VDDNB_RPT_OFS). Platform designers should use resistive voltage divider on the pins, refer to Figure 6. The voltage (VREF) at VREF_PINSET pin will be pulled up to 3.2V for TSEN and TSEN_NB pin setting after power ready (POR), and then the voltage will change and fix to 0.8V with a delay time for normal operation.

The divided voltage at the TSEN and TSEN_NB pin described as below:

$$
V_{\text{TSEN_DIV}} = 3.2 \times \frac{R_{p2}}{R_{p1} + R_{p2}}
$$

$$
V_{TSEN_NB_DIV} = 3.2 \times \frac{R_{p4}}{R_{p3} + R_{p4}}
$$

The ADC monitors and decodes the voltage at this pin only once after power up. After ADC decoding (only once), a 80mA current (when VCC = 5V) will be generated at the TSEN and TSEN_NB pin for thermal indicator and protection functions.

From equation (3) and (4) and Table 4 and 5, platform users can set the above described pin setting functions.

Thermal Indicator

Refer to Figure 6, the RT3662AM provides the thermal indicator function. The VRHOT L pin is an open-drain output which is used for VR thermal indicator. When the sensed voltage at TSEN or TSEN_NB pin is less than 2.2V, the VRHOT L signal will be pulled low to notify CPU that the temperature is over the VRHOT temperature threshold.

After TSEN and TSEN_NB pin setting, a 80mA current (when VCC = 5V) will be generated at the TSEN and TSEN NB pin for thermal indicator function. And the voltage at TSEN and TSEN_NB pin as below:

$$
\begin{aligned} V_{TSEN} = & \, 80 \, \mu A \cdot \! \left[\left(\frac{R_1 \cdot R_{NTC}}{R_1 + R_{NTC}} \right) \! + \! \left(\frac{R_{p1} \cdot R_{p2}}{R_{p1} + R_{p2}} \right) \right] \! + \, VREF \cdot \left(\frac{R_{p2}}{R_{p1} + R_{p2}} \right) \\[1ex] & \, V_{TSEN_NB} = & \, 80 \, \mu A \cdot \! \left[\left(\frac{R_2 \cdot R_{NTC}}{R_2 + R_{NTC}} \right) \! + \! \left(\frac{R_{p3} \cdot R_{p4}}{R_{p3} + R_{p4}} \right) \right] \! + \, VREF \cdot \left(\frac{R_{p4}}{R_{p3} + R_{p4}} \right) \end{aligned}
$$

Due to the VREF reference voltage cause the thermal compensation become complex. In this way, the sensed voltage related VREF will be eliminated in ADC block. The actual sensed voltage at TSEN and TSEN_NB pin described as below:

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Figure 6. TSEN and TSEN_NB Circuit

VDD Controller

Active Phase Determination

The number of active phases is determined by the internal circuitry that monitors the ISEN2P voltage during startup. Normally, the VDD controller operates as a 2-phase PWM controller. Pulling ISEN2P to VCC programs a 1 phase operation. At EN rising edge, VDD controller detects whether the voltage of ISEN2P is higher than " VCC - 0.5V" to decide how many phases should be active and the active phase number is determined and latched.

Loop Control

The VDD controller adopts Richtek's proprietary G-NAVP[™] topology. The G-NAVP[™] is based on the finite gain peak current mode with CCRCOT (Constant Current Ripple Constant On-Time) topology. The output voltage, V_{VDD} will decrease with increasing output load current. The control loop consists of PWM modulators with power stages, current sense amplifiers and an error amplifier as shown in Figure 7.

Similar to the peak current mode control with finite compensator gain, the HS_FET on-time is determined by CCRCOT on-time generator. When load current increases $(V_{CS}$ increases), the steady state COMP voltage also increases and induces V_{VDD sense to decrease, thus achieving AVP. A near -DC offset canceling is added to the output of EA to eliminate the inherent output offset of finite gain peak current mode controller.

Current Signal Sensing

Refer to Figure 7, for different R_{SENSE} resistor, the current sense method can classify as two types. The method1 only use R_{X1} for lower R_{SENSE} application, and the method2 use R_{X1} and R_{X2} to divide the current signal for higher RSENSE application. Richtek also provide Excel based design tool to let user choose the appropriate components quickly.

The current sense topology of the VDD controller is continuous inductor current sensing. Therefore, the controller has less noise sensitive. Low offset amplifiers are used for current balance, loop control and over current detection. The ISENxP and ISEN1N pins denote the positive and negative input of the current sense amplifier.

In order to optimize transient performance, the recommended R_{eq} and C_X will be set according to the equations as below, t recommended set to 1.1.

$$
R_{eq} \times C_X = \tau \times \frac{L}{R_{SENSE}}
$$

Method1 : $R_{eq} = R_{X1}$

Method1 : $R_{eq} = \frac{R_{X1} \times R_{X2}}{R_{X1} + R_{X2}}$

Considering the inductance tolerance, the resistor R_{eq} has to be tuned on board by examining the transient voltage. If the output voltage transient has an initial dip below the minimum load-line requirement and the response time is too fast causing a ring back, the value of resistance should be increased. Vice versa, with a high resistance, the output voltage transient has only a small initial dip with a slow response time. R_X is highly recommended as two 0603 size resistors in series to enhance the Iout reporting accuracy. C_x is suggested X7R type for the application.

Droop Setting

It is very easy to achieve Active Voltage Positioning (AVP) by properly setting the error amplifier gain due to the native droop characteristics as shown in Figure 8. This target is to have

 $V_{VDD} = V_{DAC} - I_{LOAD}$ x R_{DROOP}

Then solving the switching condition $V_{\text{COMP2}} = V_{\text{CS}}$ in Figure 7 yields the desired error amplifier gain as

$$
A_V = \frac{R2}{R1} = \frac{G_I}{R_{DROOP}}
$$

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$$
G_I = R_{SENSE} \times 1.867m \times R_{IMON} \times 0.75 \times Al_VDD
$$

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$$
G_I = R_{SENSE} \times \frac{R_{X2}}{R_{X1} + R_{X2}} \times 1.867m \times R_{IMON} \times 0.75 \times Al_VDD
$$

Where G_i is the current sense amplifier gain. R $_{\rm SENSE}$ is the current sense resistor. If no external sense resistor present, it is the equivalent resistance of the inductor. R_{IMON} is the IMON equivalent resistance. For the PHOCP accuracy, the R_{IMON} resistor need to set in 8kΩ to 70kΩ. AI_VDD is the VDD controller current gain ratio set by SET1 pin setting. R_{DROOP} is the equivalent load-line resistance as well as the desired static output impedance.

Loop Compensation

Optimized compensation of the VDD controller allows for best possible load step response of the regulator's output. A type-I compensator with one pole and one zero is adequate for proper compensation. Figure 9 shows the compensation circuit. Previous design procedure shows how to select the resistive feedback components for the error amplifier gain. Next, C1 and C2 must be calculated for compensation. The target is to achieve constant resistive output impedance over the widest possible frequency range.

The pole frequency of the compensator must be set to compensate the output capacitor ESR zero:

$$
f_P = \frac{1}{2\pi \times C \times R_C}
$$

Where C is the capacitance of output capacitor, and R_C is the ESR of output capacitor. C2 can be calculated as follows:

$$
C2 = \frac{C \times R_C}{R2}
$$

The zero of compensator has to be placed at half of the switching frequency to filter the switching related noise. Such that,

$$
C1 = \frac{1}{R1 \times \pi \times f_{SW}}
$$

Figure 9. VDD Controller: Compensation Circuit

Current Balance

The VDD controller implements internal current balance mechanism in the current loop. The VDD controller senses and compares per-phase current signal with average current. If the sensed current of any particular phase is larger than average current, the on-time of this phase will be adjusted to be shorter.

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Figure 10 is the recommended current balance circuit for two phase application due to R_{PCB1} and R_{PCB2} are difficult to control very close. Detail derivative equations are as below.

$$
V_{\text{ISEN1P}} = \frac{(V_{1P} + V_2)}{2}
$$
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$$
V_{\text{ISEN2P}} = \frac{(V_{2P} + V_1)}{2}
$$
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$$
V_{A} = \frac{(V_1 + V_2)}{2}
$$
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$$
V_{1P-1N} = V_{1SEN1P} - V_{A} = \frac{(V_{1P} - V_1)}{2}
$$
\n
$$
V_{2P-1N} = V_{1SEN2P} - V_{A} = \frac{(V_{2P} - V_2)}{2}
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$$
\frac{(V_{1P} - V_1)}{2} = \frac{(V_{2P} - V_2)}{2}
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\frac{(V_{1P} - V_1)}{2} = \frac{(V_{2P} - V_2)}{2}
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\frac{(V_{1P} - V_1)}{2} = \frac{(V_{2P} - V_2)}{2}
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$$
V_{L1} = V_{L2} \times DCR_2
$$

Figure 10. Recommended Current Balance Circuit for Two Phase Application

Initial and Dynamic Offset

The VDD controller features initial and dynamic offset function. The VDD rail initial offset function can be implemented through the TSEN pin setting. And the dynamic offset can be implemented by SVI2 interface, it controlled by CPU. Consider the offset factor, the VDD output voltage described as below:

 $V_{VDD} = V_{DAC} - I_{LOAD ×RDROOP + VINI_OFS + VDYN_OFS$

V_{INI_OFS} is the initial offset voltage set by pin setting function, and the dynamic offset voltage, V_{DYN} ors, controlled by CPU, and it can be set through the SVI2 interface.

Dynamic VID Enhancement

During a dynamic VID event, the charging (dynamic VID up) or discharging (dynamic VID down) current causes unwanted load-line effect which degrades the settling time performance. The RT3662AM will hold the inductor current to hold the load-line during a dynamic VID event. The VDD controller will always enter full-phase configuration when it receives dynamic VID up command; If VDD controller receives dynamic VID down command, it will hold the operating state.

When the VID CCM down on light loading condition, the negative inductor current will be produced, and it may cause the audio noise and phase ring effect. For improving the problems, the controller set the dynamic VID down slew rate to 0.625mV/ms, the action will reduce the negative current and phase ring effect.

Ramp Compensation

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Figure 11. Ramp Compensation

Current Monitoring and Reporting

The VDD controller provides current monitoring function via inductor current sensing. In the G-NAVP™ technology, the output voltage is dependent on output current, and the current monitoring function is achieved by this characteristic of output voltage. The equivalent output current will be sensed from inductor current sensing and mirrored to the IMON pin. The resistor connected to the IMON pin determines voltage of the IMON output.

For Method1 current sensing :

 $V_{IMON} = I_{L,SUM} \times DCR_L \times 1.867m \times R_{IMON} + 0.8$

Where l $_{\mathsf{L},\mathsf{SUM}}$ is the VDD output current, DCR $_{\mathsf{L}}$ is the current sense resistance, R_{IMON} is the IMON pin equivalent setting resistor, and the current sense gain equal to 1.867m.

The ADC circuit of the VDD controller monitors the voltage variation at the IMON pin, and this voltage is decoded into digital format and stored into output current register.

$$
DIMON = \frac{V_{IMON} - 0.8}{0.8} \times 255
$$
 (Bits)

Quick Response

When the transient load step-up becomes quite large, it is difficult for loop response to meet the energy transfer. Hence, the output voltage generate undershoot to fail specification. The RT3662AM has Quick Response (QR) mechanism which is able to improve this issue. It adopts a nonlinear control mechanism which can disable interleaving function and simultaneously turn on all UGATE one pulse at instantaneous step-up transient load to restrain the output voltage drooping. The output voltage signal behavior needs to be detected so that QR mechanism can be trigged. Refer to Figure 12, the output voltage signal is via a remote sense line to connect at the VSEN pin. The QR threshold can be set by SET1 pin setting for VDD controller refers to Table 3.

Figure 12. VDD Controller: Quick Response Triggering **Circuit**

Over-Current Protection

The RT3662AM provides the over current protection function. The OCP_SPIKE threshold will be set by the current monitor resistor R_{IMON} as below :

For Method1 current sensing :

OCP_SPIKE =
$$
\frac{1.6 - 0.8}{DCR_L \times 1.867m \times R_{IMON}}
$$

For prevent the OCP false trigger, the trigger delay is requirement, refer to Electrical Characteristics. When output current is still higher than the OCP_SPIKE after the trigger delay time, the OCP will be latched, and then the VDD controller will turn off both high-side and low-side MOSFETs of all channels.

Per-Phase Over Current Protection

The VDD controller provides per-phase over current protection (PHOCP) function in each phase. If the VDD controller force 1 phase operation by pulling ISEN2P pin to 5V, it only detected at soft-start duration when VR power on. The VDD PHOCP threshold is set by TSEN pin setting described as below :

 $PHOCP_TH = OCP_SPIKE \times \frac{N}{M}$

N is the VDD PHOCP setting ratio, M is the operation phase number.

If the PHOCP is triggered, the controller will turn off all high-side and low-side MOSFETs to protect CPU.

Over-Voltage Protection (OVP)

The OVP circuit of the VDD controller monitors the output voltage via the VSEN pin after POR. When the VSEN voltage exceeds the OVP threshold 1.85V, OVP is triggered and latched. The VDD controller will try to turn on low-side MOSFET and turn off high-side MOSFET of all active phases to protect the CPU. When OVP is triggered by one rail, the other rail will also enter soft shut down sequence. A 1ms delay is used in OVP detection circuit to prevent false trigger.

Under-Voltage Protection (UVP)

The VDD controller implements UVP of VSEN pin. If VSEN voltage is less than the internal reference by 500mV, the VDD controller will trigger UVP latch. The UVP latch will turn off both high-side and low-side MOSFETs. When UVP is triggered by one rail, the other rail will also enter soft shutdown sequence. A 3ms delay is used in UVP detection circuit to prevent false trigger.

Under-Voltage Lock Out (UVLO)

During normal operation, if the voltage at the VCC pin drops below IC POR threshold, the VDD controller will trigger UVLO. The UVLO protection forces all high-side and low-side MOSFETs off by shutting down internal PWM logic drivers. A 3ms delay is used in UVLO detection circuit to prevent false trigger.

VDDNB Controller

VDDNB Controller Disable

The VDDNB controller can be disabled by connecting ISENP_NB to a voltage higher than "VCC - 0.5V". If not in use, ISENN_NB is recommended to be connected to VCC. When VDDNB controller is disabled, all SVID commands related to VDDNB controller will be rejected.

Loop Control

The VDDNB controller adopts Richtek's proprietary G-NAVP™ topology. The G-NAVP™ is based on the finite gain peak current mode with CCRCOT (Constant Current Ripple Constant On-Time) topology. The output voltage, V_{VDDNB} will decrease with increasing output load current. The control loop consists of PWM modulators with power stages, current sense amplifiers and an error amplifier as shown in Figure 13.

Similar to the peak current mode control with finite compensator gain, the HS_FET on-time is determined by CCRCOT on-time generator. When load current increases, V_{CS} increases, the steady state COMP voltage also increases and induces V_{VDDNB} sense to decrease, thus achieving AVP. A near-DC offset canceling is added to the output of EA to eliminate the inherent output offset of finite gain peak current mode controller.

Figure 13. VDDNB Controller : Simplified Schematic with Voltage Loop and Current Loop

Current Sense Setting

Refer to Figure 13, for different R_{SENSE} resistor, the current sense method can classify as two types. The method1 only use R_{X1} for lower R_{SENSE} application, and the method 2 use R_{X1} and R_{X2} to divide the current signal for higher RSENSE application. Richtek also provide Excel based design tool to let user choose the appropriate components quickly.

The current sense topology of the VDDNB controller is continuous inductor current sensing. Therefore, the controller has less noise sensitive. Low offset amplifiers are used for loop control and over current detection. The ISENP_NB and ISENN_NB pins denote the positive and negative input of the current sense amplifier.

In order to optimize transient performance, the recommended R_{eq} and C_x will be set according to the equation as below, and t recommended set to 1.1.

$$
R_{eq} \times C_X = \tau \times \frac{L}{R_{SENSE}}
$$

Method1 : $R_{eq} = R_{X1}$

Method2 : $R_{eq} = \frac{R_{X1} \times R_{X2}}{R_{X1} + R_{X2}}$

Considering the inductance tolerance, the resistor R_{eq} has to be tuned on board by examining the transient voltage. If the output voltage transient has an initial dip below the minimum load-line requirement and the response time is too fast causing a ring back, the value of resistance should be increased. Vice versa, with a high resistance, the output voltage transient has only a small initial dip with a slow response time. Rx is highly recommended as two 0603 size resistors in series to enhance the Iout reporting accuracy. C_X is suggested X7R type for the application.

Droop Setting

It is very easy to achieve Active Voltage Positioning (AVP) by properly setting the error amplifier gain due to the native droop characteristics as shown in Figure 14. This target is to have

 $V_{VDDNR} = V_{DAC} - I_{LOAD} \times R_{DROOP}$

Then solving the switching condition $V_{COMP2} = V_{CS}$ in Figure 12 yields the desired error amplifier gain as

$$
A_V = \frac{R2}{R1} = \frac{G_I}{R_{DROOP}}
$$

Method1:

 $G_l = R_{SENSE} \times 1.867m \times R_{IMON} \times 0.75 \times Al_VDDNB$

Method2:

$$
G_I = R_{SENSE} \times \frac{R_{X2}}{R_{X1}+R_{X2}} \times 1.867m \times R_{IMON} \times 0.75 \times AI_VDDNB
$$

Where G_l is the current sense amplifier gain. R_{SENSE} is the current sense resistor. If no external sense resistor present, it is the equivalent resistance of the inductor. R_{IMON NB} is the IMON NB equivalent resistance. For the PHOCP accuracy, the R_{IMON NB} resistor need to set in 8kΩ to 70kΩ. AI_VDDNB is the VDDNB controller current gain ratio set by SET1 pin setting. R_{DROOP} is the equivalent load-line resistance as well as the desired static output impedance.

Figure 14. VDDNB Controller : Error Amplifier gain (A_V) Influence on V_{VDDNB} Accuracy

Loop Compensation

Optimized compensation of the VDDNB controller allows for best possible load step response of the regulator's output. A type-I compensator with one pole and one zero is adequate for proper compensation. Figure 15 shows the compensation circuit. Previous design procedure shows how to select the resistive feedback components for the error amplifier gain. Next, C1 and C2 must be calculated for compensation. The target is to achieve constant resistive output impedance over the widest possible frequency range.

The pole frequency of the compensator must be set to compensate the output capacitor ESR zero :

$$
f_P = \frac{1}{2\pi \times C \times R_C}
$$

Where C is the capacitance of output capacitor, and R_C is the ESR of output capacitor. C2 can be calculated as follows :

$$
C2 = \frac{C \times R_C}{R2}
$$

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The zero of compensator has to be placed at half of the switching frequency to filter the switching related noise. Such that,

Figure 15. VDDNB Controller : Compensation Circuit

Initial and Dynamic Offset

The VDDNB controller features initial and dynamic offset function. The initial offset function can be implemented through the TSEN pin setting. And the Dynamic offset can be implemented by SVI2 interface, it controlled by CPU. Consider the offset factor, the VDDNB output voltage described as below :

 $V_{\text{VDDNB}} = V_{\text{DAC}} - I_{\text{LOAD}} \times R_{\text{DROOP}} +$ $V_{\mathsf{INI_OFS}}$ + $V_{\mathsf{DYN_OFS}}$

 $V_{INI OFS}$ is the initial offset voltage set by pin setting function, and the dynamic offset voltage, V_{DYN} ors, controlled by CPU, and it can be set through the SVI2 interface.

Dynamic VID Enhancement

During a dynamic VID event, the charging (dynamic VID up) or discharging (dynamic VID down) current causes unwanted load-line effect which degrades the settling time performance. The RT3662AM will hold the inductor current to hold the load-line during a dynamic VID event. The VDDNB controller will always enter CCM operation when it receives dynamic VID up command; If VDD controller receives dynamic VID down command, it will hold the operating state.

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For Method1 current sensing :

 $V_{IMONNB} = I_{L.SUM} \times DCR_L \times 1.867m \times R_{IMONNB} + 0.8$

Where $I_{\text{L}~\text{SIM}}$ is the VDDNB output current, DCR_L is the current sense resistance, R_{IMON NB} is the IMON_NB pin equivalent setting resistor, and the current sense gain equal to 1.867m.

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VDDNB Voltage Reporting Offset

The VDDNB controller senses the ISENN_NB voltage for voltage reporting. In Figure 16, due to the PCB trace (R_{PCB}) from ISENN NB to output capacitor, it will cause the voltage drop on loading, as the loading current become bigger, the drop will affect the voltage reporting seriously. Through the voltage reporting offset function, it can be improved, and the voltage reporting of VDDNB controller $(V_{VDDNB-RPT})$ can be described as below :

 V VDDNB RPT(d) = V SENN NB ADC(d) - V VDDNB RPT OFS(d)

V_{VDDNB} RPT is the VDDNB voltage reporting digital code, VISENN_NB_ADC is the ISENN_NB sensed voltage digital code and V_{VDDNB} RPT OFS is the VDDNB voltage reporting offset bits.

Figure 16. The Description of PCB trace from ISENN_NB to Output Capacitor

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The RT3662AM provides the over current protection function. The OCP_SPIKE_NB threshold will be set by the current monitor resistor $R_{IMON-NB}$ as below :

For Method1 current sensing :

 $=\frac{1.6-}{7.27 \times 1.275}$ $\mathsf{OCP_SPIKE_NB} = \frac{1.6 - 0.8}{\mathsf{DCR_L} \times 1.867 \mathsf{m} \times \mathsf{R}_{\mathsf{IMON_NB}}}$

For prevent the OCP false trigger, the trigger delay is requirement, refer to Electrical Characteristics. When output current is still higher than the OCP_SPIKE_NB after the trigger delay time, the OCP will be latched, and then the VDDNB controller will turn off both high-side and low-side MOSFETs.

Per-Phase Over Current Protection

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PHOCP_TH = OCP_SPIKE_NB x N

N is the VDDNB PHOCP setting ratio.

If the PHOCP is triggered, the controller will turn off all high-side and low-side MOSFETs to protect CPU.

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Thermal Considerations

The junction temperature should never exceed the absolute maximum junction temperature $T_{J(MAX)}$, listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings, to avoid permanent damage to the device. The maximum allowable power dissipation depends on the thermal resistance of the IC package, the PCB layout, the rate of surrounding airflow, and the difference between the junction and ambient

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temperatures. The maximum power dissipation can be calculated using the following formula :

 $P_{D(MAX)} = (T_{J(MAX)} - T_A) / \theta_{JA}$

where $T_{J(MAX)}$ is the maximum junction temperature, T_A is the ambient temperature, and θ_{JA} is the junction-to-ambient thermal resistance.

For continuous operation, the maximum operating junction temperature indicated under Recommended Operating Conditions is 125°C. The junction-to-ambient thermal resistance, θ_{JA} , is highly package dependent. For a WQFN-40L 5x5 package, the thermal resistance, θ_{JA} , is 27.5°C/W on a standard JEDEC 51-7 high effective-thermalconductivity four-layer test board. The maximum power dissipation at $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C can be calculated as below :

P_{D(MAX)} = (125°C – 25°C) / (27.5°C/W) = 3.63W for a WQFN-40L 5x5 package.

The maximum power dissipation depends on the operating ambient temperature for the fixed $T_{J(MAX)}$ and the thermal resistance, θ_{JA} . The derating curves in Figure 17 allows the designer to see the effect of rising ambient temperature on the maximum power dissipation.

Figure 17. Derating Curve of Maximum Power Dissipation

Outline Dimension

Note : The configuration of the Pin #1 identifier is optional, but must be located within the zone indicated.

W-Type 40L QFN 5x5 Package

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