

General Description

The MAX98300 evaluation kit (EV kit) is a fully assembled and tested circuit board that uses the MAX98300 filterless Class D amplifier to drive a speaker in portable audio applications. The EV kit comes with a MAX98300 IC in a 9-bump, 0.4mm pitch wafer-level-package (WLP). Designed to operate from a 2.6V to 5.5V DC power supply, the EV kit is capable of delivering 2.6W into a 4Ω load. The EV kit accepts differential or single-ended input signals.

Features

◆ Demonstrates Industry-Leading Quiescent Current

1.1mA (PVDD = 5V), 0.78mA (PVDD = 3.7V)

- **♦** Filterless Operation Passes Radiated Emissions with Up to 60cm of Speaker Cable
- **♦** 2.6V to 5.5V Single-Supply Operation
- ♦ 2.6W Mono Class D Output
- **♦ Selectable Gain Control**
- ◆ Differential or Single-Ended Input
- **♦ Low-Power Shutdown Input**
- Fully Assembled and Tested

Ordering Information

PART	TYPE
MAX98300EVKIT+WLP	EV Kit

⁺Denotes lead(Pb)-free and RoHS compliant.

Component List

DESIGNATION	QTY	DESCRIPTION	
MINIMAL COMPONENTS FOR CUSTOMER DESIGN			
C1	1	10µF ±20%, 6.3V X5R ceramic capacitor (0603) Murata GRM188R60J106M	
C2	1	0.1µF ±10%, 16V X7R ceramic capacitor (0402) Murata GRM155R71C104K	
C3, C4	2	1μF ±10%, 10V X5R ceramic capacitors (0402) Murata GRM155R61A105K	
U1	1	Mono Class D amplifier (9 WLP) Maxim MAX98300EWL+ (Top Mark: +AIH)	
OPTIONAL COMPONENTS FOR CUSTOMER EVALUATION			
C5, C6	0	Not installed, ceramic capacitors (0603)	
C7-C11	5	0.22µF ±10%, 25V X7R ceramic capacitors (0603) Murata GRM188R71E224K	

DESIGNATION	QTY	DESCRIPTION	
FB1, FB2	2	0Ω ±5% resistors (0603)	
JU1	1	2-pin header	
JU2	1	3-pin header	
JU3	1	4-way 5-pin header	
L1, L2	0	Not installed, inductors Recommended: TOKO #A916CY-220M	
OUT+	1	Standard PCB test point, red	
OUT-	1	Standard PCB test point, white	
R1, R2	2	100kΩ ±5% resistors (0402)	
R3, R4	2	22Ω ±5% resistors (0603)	
R5, R6	0	Not installed, resistors (0402)	
_	3	Shunts (JU1, JU2, JU3)	
_	1	PCB: MAX98300 EVALUATION KIT+ (WLP)	

Component Suppliers

SUPPLIER	PHONE	WEBSITE
Murata Electronics North America, Inc.	770-436-1300	www.murata-northamerica.com
TOKO America, Inc.	847-297-0070	www.tokoam.com

Note: Indicate that you are using the MAX98300EWL+ when contacting these component suppliers.

Quick Start

Recommended Equipment

- MAX98300 EV kit
- 2.6V to 5.5V, 2A DC supply
- 4Ω speaker
- Mono audio signal source

Procedure

The EV kit is fully assembled and tested. Follow steps below to verify board operation. Caution: Do not turn on the power supply until all connections are completed.

1) Verify that shunts are installed as follows:

JU1: Installed (single-ended input)

JU2: Pins 1-2 (device enabled)

JU3: Pins 1-5 (0dB gain)

- Connect the power-supply positive and negative outputs to the PVDD and PGND PCB pads on the EV kit, respectively.
- 3) Verify that the audio source output is disabled.
- 4) Connect the mono audio source between the INPUT+ and INPUT- pads on the EV kit.
- 5) Connect the speaker across the OUT+ and OUTtest points.
- 6) Set the power-supply output to 5V.
- 7) Enable the power-supply output.
- 8) Enable the audio source.
- 9) Verify that the speaker is playing the audio source signal.

Detailed Description of Hardware

The MAX98300 EV kit features the MAX98300 filterless Class D amplifier IC, which is designed to drive a mono speaker in portable audio applications. The EV kit comes with a MAX98300 IC in a 9-bump, 0.4mm pitch WLP. The EV kit operates from a DC power supply that provides 2.6V to 5.5V and 2A of current. The EV kit accepts a differential or single-ended audio input. The audio input source is amplified to drive 2.6W into a 4Ω speaker.

Jumper JU1 configures the EV kit inputs for single-ended or differential operation. Jumper JU2 enables or disables the speaker amplifier. The amplifier overall gain can be set between 0dB and +12dB using jumper JU3. The EV kit provides a set of differential outputs. The device outputs (OUT+, OUT-) can be connected directly to a speaker load without any filtering and up to 60cm of cable. However, filter components can be added to ease evaluation. See the Output Filtering Options section for additional information.

Input Mode

Jumper JU1 provides the option to select between a differential or single-ended input mode for the EV kit. See Table 1 for jumper JU1 configuration.

Table 1. Input Mode (JU1)

SHUNT POSITION	INPUT- PCB PAD	INPUT MODE
Installed*	Connected to PGND	Single-ended input
Not installed	Connected to a user-supplied negative differential input	Differential input

^{*}Default position.

Shutdown

Jumper JU2 enables or disables the audio speaker amplifier. See Table 2 for jumper JU2 configuration.

Gain Setting

The EV kit maximum signal gain can be configured to five different settings. Jumper JU3 selects the overall gain for the EV kit. See Table 3 for jumper JU3 configuration.

Filtered Output

Audio analyzers typically cannot accept pulse-width-modulated (PWM) signals at their inputs. Therefore, the EV kit features a lowpass filter at its outputs to ease evaluation. Install inductors L1 and L2 (provided with the EV kit) and use the filtering output posts (FOUT+ and FOUT-) to connect the filtered PWM outputs to the audio analyzer. The default lowpass filter at the EV kit outputs is optimized for an 8Ω speaker.

Table 2. Shutdown (JU2)

SHUNT POSITION	SHDN PIN	AMPLIFIER
1-2*	Connected to PVDD	Enabled
2-3	Connected to PGND	Disabled

^{*}Default position.

Filterless Output

The EV kit's filterless outputs (OUT+ and OUT-) can be connected directly to a speaker load without any filtering. Use the OUT+ and OUT- test points to connect a speaker directly to the MAX98300 outputs. Inductors L1 and L2 are not installed for maximum efficiency.

Output Filtering Options

To ease evaluation, the EV kit is shipped with inductor-based output filters. To use the inductor-based output filters, install inductors L1 and L2 (provided with the EV kit).

The IC passes CE EN55022B regulations with up to 60cm of speaker cable and no filtering. However, ferrite-bead filters can be used to achieve further attenuation of radiated emissions. To install the ferrite-bead filters, verify that filter inductors L1 and L2 are not installed. Next, replace shorting resistors FB1 and FB2 with 0603 or smaller ferrite beads and install filter capacitors on the C5 and C6 pads. The speaker wire should be connected to the OUT+ and OUT- test points.

Table 3. Gain Setting (JU3)

SHUNT POSITION	GAIN PIN	MAXIMUM GAIN (dB)
1-2	Connected to PVDD through R1	+9
1-3	Connected to PVDD	+12
1-4	Connected to PGND through R2	+3
1-5*	Connected to PGND	0
Open	Not connected	+6

^{*}Default position.

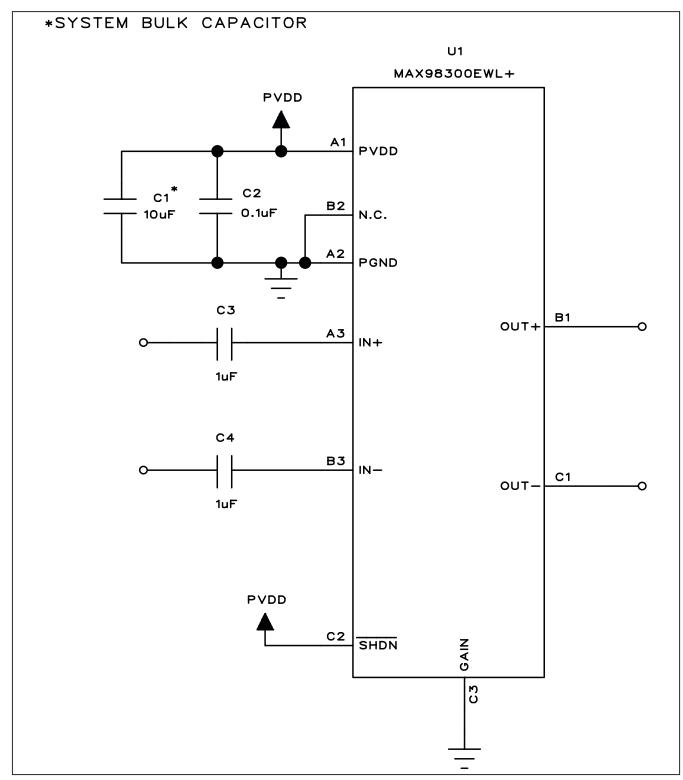


Figure 1. MAX98300 Customer Design Schematic (WLP)

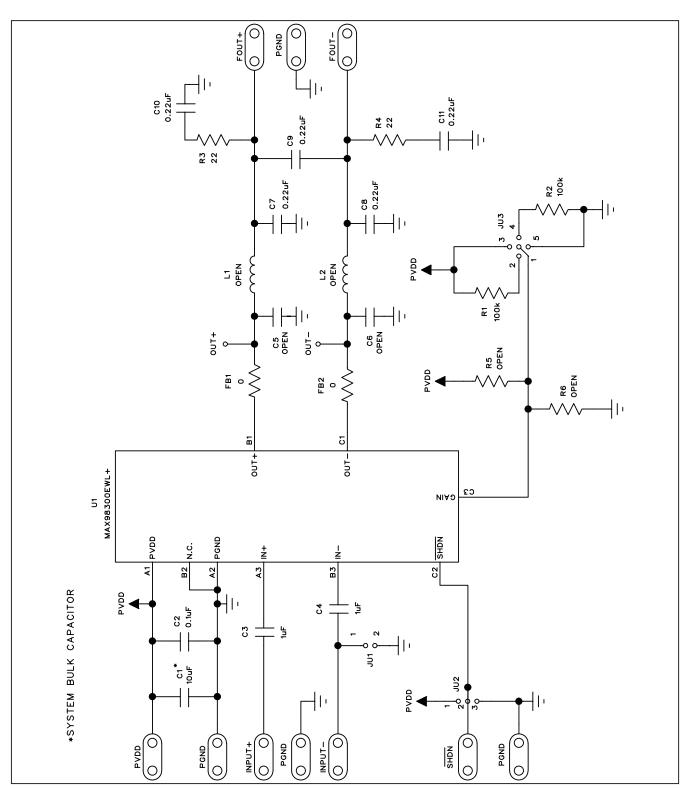


Figure 2. MAX98300 EV Kit Schematic (WLP)

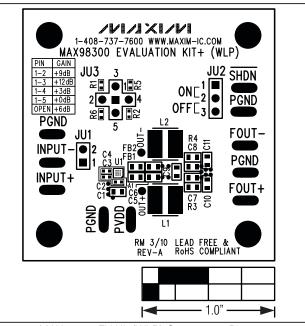


Figure 3. MAX98300 EV Kit (WLP) Component Placement Guide—Component Side

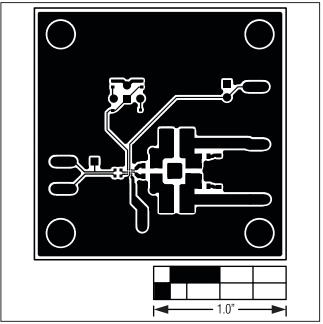


Figure 4. MAX98300 EV Kit (WLP) PCB Layout—Component Side

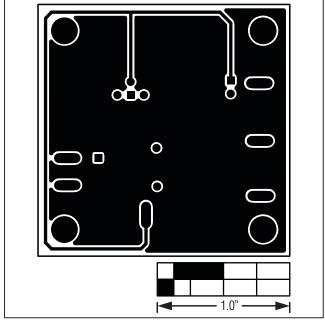


Figure 5. MAX98300 EV Kit (WLP) PCB Layout—Solder Side

Revision History

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