

# TLV320AIC32x4 Power Supply Sequencing

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## ABSTRACT

The TLV320AIC32x4 is capable of multiple power supply configurations. Power can be applied externally to support multiple voltage levels as well as internal generation of the analog and digital supply. This document discusses proper supply sequencing for these configurations.

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## 1 Introduction

This document is divided into two parts: external supply configurations and internal supply configurations. The application report [SLAA404](#) and the relevant product data sheet provide detailed information on power supply configurations. The TLV320AIC32x4 power management architecture is shown in [Figure 1](#) as a reference.

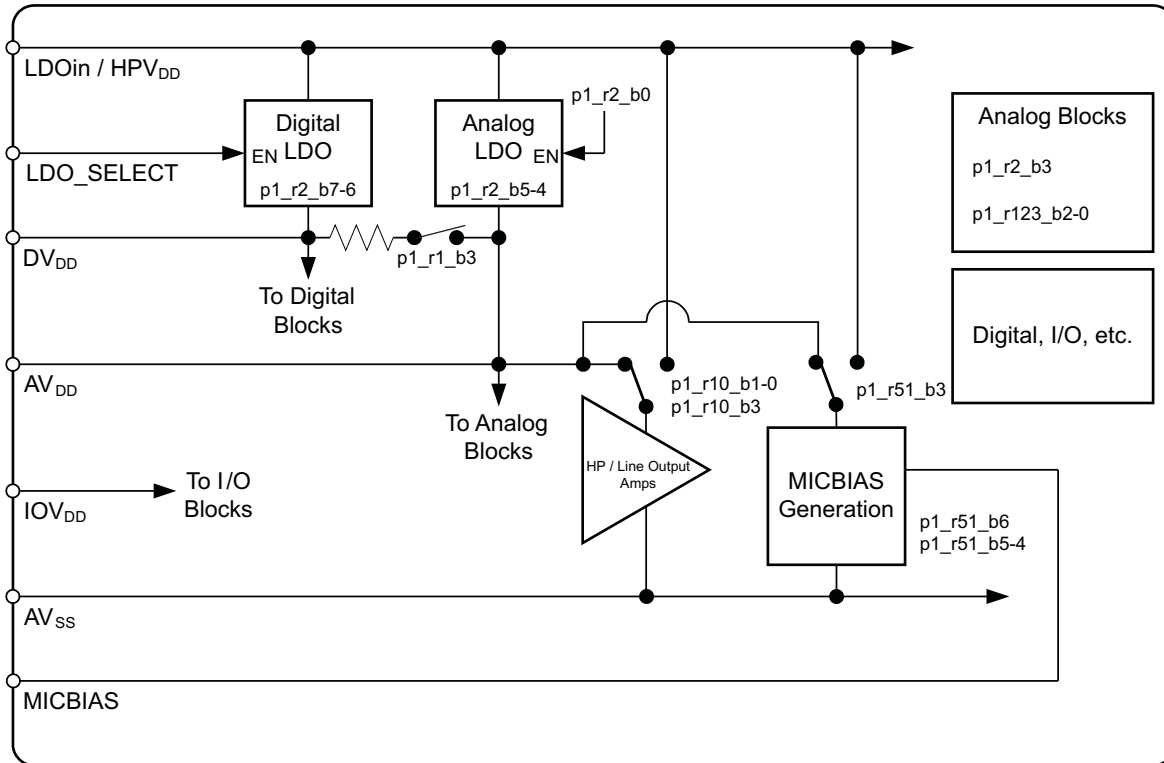


Figure 1. TLV320AIC32x4 Power Management Architecture

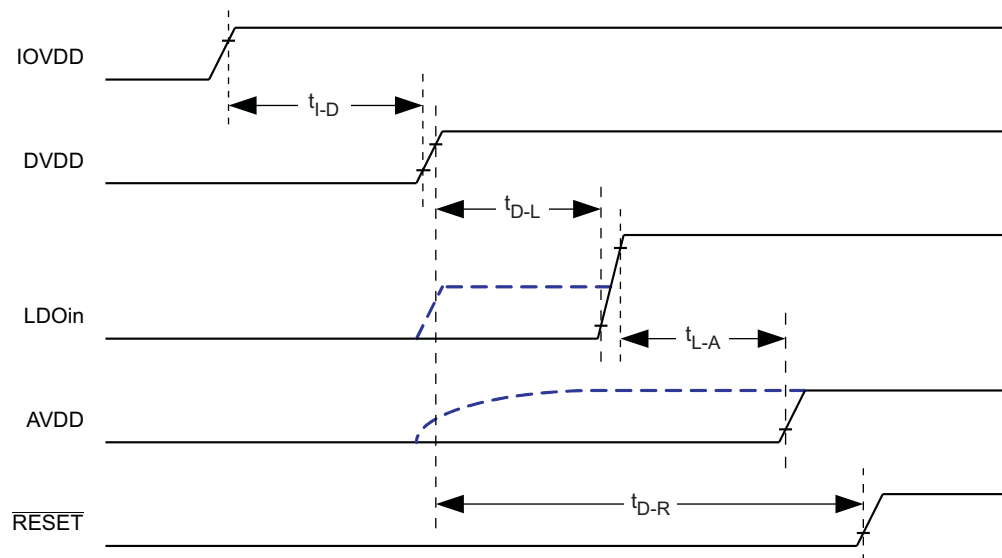
## 2 External DV<sub>DD</sub> and AV<sub>DD</sub> Power Supply Sequence

The recommended power sequence for this configuration is to provide all supplies simultaneously. A typical configuration in such a case is to use a single 1.8-V supply for IOV<sub>DD</sub>, DV<sub>DD</sub>, LDOin, and AV<sub>DD</sub>.

Another alternative is to separate analog and digital supplies. This is useful to improve the efficiency of the digital rails by using a dc/dc converter, while keeping the AV<sub>DD</sub> supply clean by using a low-dropout regulator (LDO). This LDO can be external or internal.

The LDOin supply can be sourced by an external supply of 1.9 V to 3.6 V to allow a higher signal swing at the headphone and line-out amplifiers, as well as to provide a wider range of MICBIAS supply options and output common-mode voltage. In the case where a 1.8-V rail is sufficient for output swing, LDOin must be tied to AV<sub>DD</sub>.

Figure 2 shows a timing diagram for the case where all supplies are provided separately. In such a case, the depicted sequence must be used. The dashed lines marked in blue color represent an internally supplied voltage.



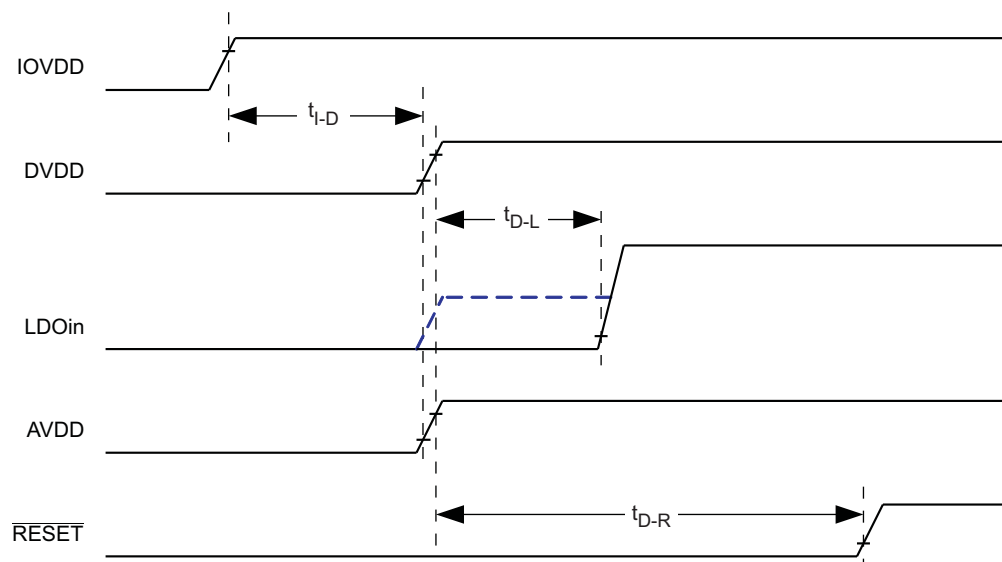
**Figure 2.  $DV_{DD}$  and  $AV_{DD}$  Externally Provided**

$IOV_{DD}$  must be provided first. Because, by default,  $DV_{DD}$  is weakly connected to  $AV_{DD}$  by a 10-k $\Omega$  resistor,  $AV_{DD}$  ramps up to the  $DV_{DD}$  voltage once  $DV_{DD}$  is provided at approximately  $5 \times 10 \text{ k}\Omega \times C_{AVDD}$ , where  $C_{AVDD}$  is the  $AV_{DD}$  decoupling capacitor. For  $C_{AVDD} = 1 \mu\text{F}$ , the charging time is approximately 50 ms. Parameter  $t_{D-L}$  allows  $AV_{DD}$  to be stable before HPVDD is provided, which prevents power-on pop on the headphone amplifiers. Immediately after  $DV_{DD}$  is provided, the LDOin supply ramps to ~1.5 V. To prevent high currents from  $DV_{DD}$  to LDOin, the LDOin supply cannot be externally driven low by the external power source. This means that the external power source must be either high impedance or have a weak pulldown before being enabled. After  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  is released (or a software reset is performed), no register writes must be performed within 1 ms.

**Table 1. Power Supply Timing Parameters**

PARAMETER	MIN	TYP	MAX	COMMENTS
$t_{I-D}$	0	0		Time between IOVDD is provided and $DV_{DD}$ is provided.
$t_{D-L}$	$5 \times 10 \text{ k}\Omega \times C_{AVDD}$	$5 \times 10 \text{ k}\Omega \times C_{AVDD}$		Time between $DV_{DD}$ is provided and LDOin is provided. $AV_{DD}$ must be internally present before LDOin to prevent pop at headphone outputs.
$t_{L-A}$	0	0		Time between LDOin is provided and $AV_{DD}$ is externally provided.
$t_{D-R}$	10 ns	10 ns		Time between $DV_{DD}$ (and IOVDD) is provided and reset can be released.

$AV_{DD}$  can also be externally supplied at the same time as  $DV_{DD}$ . This is shown in Figure 3. The dashed line marked in blue color represents an internally supplied voltage.



**Figure 3.  $DV_{DD}$  and  $AV_{DD}$  Externally Provided,  $AV_{DD}$  Together With  $DV_{DD}$**

To prevent high currents from  $DV_{DD}$  to LDOin, the LDOin supply cannot be externally driven low by the external power source. This means that the external power source must be either high impedance or have a weak pulldown before being enabled.

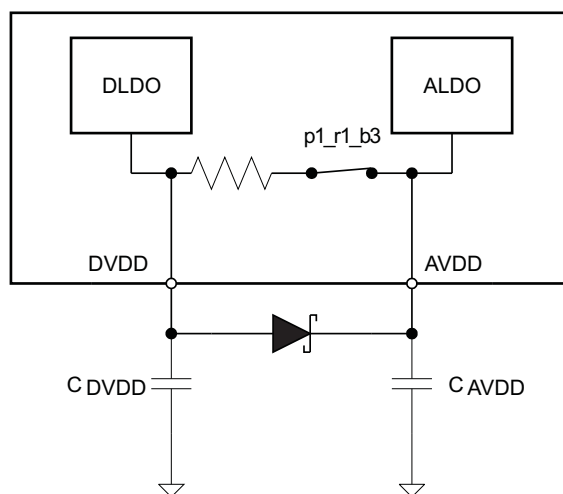
After  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  is released (or a software reset is performed), no register writes must be performed within 1 ms.

**Table 2. Power Supply Timing Parameters**

PARAMETER	MIN	TYP	MAX	COMMENTS
$t_{I-D}$	0	0		Time between IOVDD is provided and $DV_{DD}$ (and $AV_{DD}$ ) is provided.
$t_{D-L}$	0	0		Time between $DV_{DD}$ (and $AV_{DD}$ ) is provided and LDOin is provided.
$t_{D-R}$	10 ns	10 ns		Time between $DV_{DD}$ (and IOVDD) is provided and reset can be released.

### 3 Internal DLDO and ALDO Power Supply Sequence

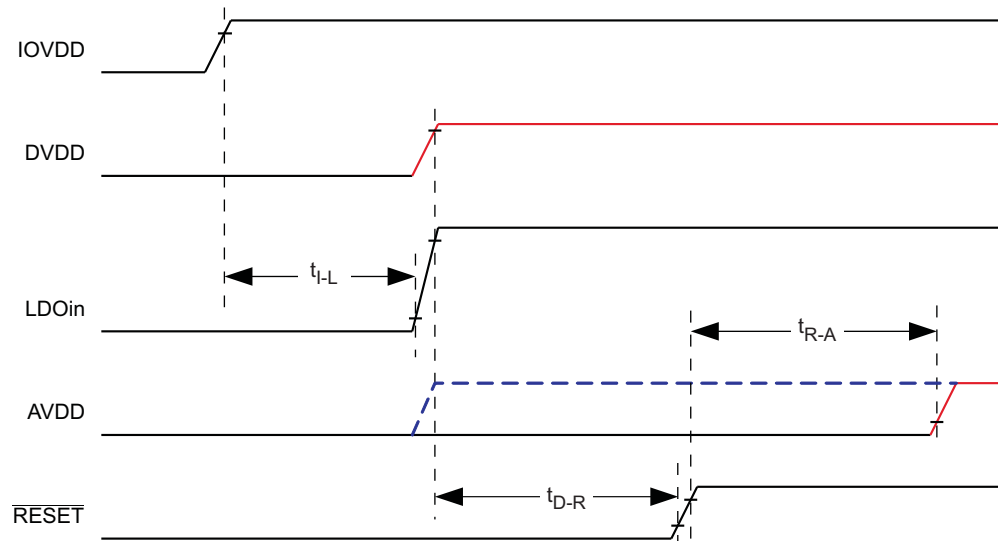
Generating  $DV_{DD}$  and  $AV_{DD}$  internally is a common configuration for systems where a single 3.3-V supply is used. The DLDO is enabled by tying the LDO\_SELECT pin to the IOVDD supply. As soon as IOVDD and LDOin are provided,  $DV_{DD}$  ramps to a nominal 1.72 V. At the same time, the  $AV_{DD}$  pin ramps up slower ( $5 \times 10 \text{ k}\Omega \times C_{AVDD}$ ) which might result in a pop in the headphone output amplifiers if  $C_{AVDD}$  is initially discharged. This pop can be avoided by adding a Schottky diode between  $DV_{DD}$  and  $AV_{DD}$  pins as shown in Figure 4. Note that, in this configuration, ALDO mode must be chosen such that  $AV_{DD}$  voltage is higher than or equal to  $DV_{DD}$  voltage. For example, ALDO can be configured as 1.77 V and DLDO as 1.72 V, or ALDO as 1.77 V and DLDO as 1.72 V.



**Figure 4. Recommended Circuit to Avoid Headphone Pop**

If the internal headphone amplifiers are connected to an external amplifier with mute or shutdown capabilities, it is unnecessary to add a diode. The purpose of this diode is to force the  $AV_{DD}$  pin to ramp close to the  $DV_{DD}$  voltage at the same time and rate as LDOin is provided.

Figure 5 shows the timing diagram for the case where  $DV_{DD}$  and  $AV_{DD}$  are supplied by the internal LDOs and an external Schottky diode is placed between  $DV_{DD}$  and  $AV_{DD}$ . The dashed line marked in blue color illustrates the voltage supplied through the external diode. The lines marked in red color illustrate a voltage generated by the internal LDOs.



**Figure 5.  $DV_{DD}$  and  $AV_{DD}$  Generated by Internal LDO**

As previously mentioned, if the internal headphone amplifiers are connected to an external amplifier with mute or shutdown capabilities, an external diode is not required. For such a case,  $AV_{DD}$  ramps to  $DV_{DD}$  in approximately  $5 \times 10 \text{ k}\Omega \times C_{AVDD}$ .

**Table 3. Power Supply Timing Parameters**

PARAMETER	MIN	TYP	MAX	COMMENTS
$t_{I-D}$	0	0		Time between IOVDD is provided and LDOin is provided.
$t_{D-R}$	10 ns	10 ns		Time between DVDD (and IOVDD) is provided and reset can be released.
$t_{R-A}$	1 ms	1 ms		Time between $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ is released and ALDO is powered. No registers must be written for 1 ms after a reset is performed (hardware or software).

## 4 References

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