# ICEpower 125ASX2

2x125W or 1x500W ICEpower Amplifier with Integrated Power Supply



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# **General Description**

The ICEpower125ASX2 is a fully integrated, intelligent audio power conversion solution designed particularly for highly competitive consumer and professional audio products. The ICEpower125ASX2 is EMC and safety approved and the "black-box" completeness allows for fast design-in and minimized time to market. Key benefits include:

- State-of-the-art, high efficiency ICEpower amplification stage based on the patent pending Conductor topology.
- An ICEpower Supply with selectable mains converter and separate aux converter
- A wide set of features for plug-and play implementation into applications such as active speakers and subwoofers, wireless speakers, multimedia audio, musical instrument amplifiers and distributed audio.

The ICEpower125ASX2 can be configured to either stereo or mono output. Combined with the auxiliary supply for powering external circuitry and the complete elimination of external heat sinks and EMI shields, the ICEpower125ASX2 is the natural choice in any audio application that requires a compact, integrated power solution.

The ICEpower125ASX2 is protected against short circuits, overload and overheating and includes on-board fuses and EMI filtering to provide a CE and FCC pre-approved design.



### **Key Specifications**

- 450W @ 1% THD+N, 20Hz 20kHz, 4Ω, BTL
- 2 x 120W @ 1% THD+N, 20Hz 20kHz,  $4\Omega$ , SE (both channels driven)
- 220W (2 $\Omega$ ) + 58W (8 $\Omega$ ) @ 1% THD+N, 20Hz 20kHz, SE (both channels driven with asymmetric load)
- Max output voltage / current: 32V<sub>p</sub> /18A<sub>p</sub>, 4Ω, SE
- Max output voltage / current: 60V<sub>p</sub> /18A<sub>p</sub>, 4Ω, BTL
- 123dBA dynamic range (BTL-mode)
- 119dBA dynamic range (SE-mode)
- THD+N = 0.002% @ 1W ( $8\Omega$ ,1kHz, SE-mode)
- THD+N = 0.002% @ 1W (8 $\Omega$ ,1kHz, BTL-mode)
- 86,4 % total efficiency @ 250W, 8Ω
- ±24V unregulated auxiliary power supply
- Selectable Mains 85-132V<sub>AC</sub> & 170-264V<sub>AC</sub>

### **Key Features**

- Fully integrated audio power solution
- Rugged construction
- Thermal protection
- Over current protection
- Suitable for CE approved designs
- EMI conforms to: EN55013

EN55020

EN61000-3-2

EN61000-3-3

FCC part 15-B

Safety conforms to:

EN/IEC 62368-1

UL 62368-1

CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 62368-1



# **Release Notes**

Version	Date	Revised by	Description
1.2	2014-11-13	LBH/SMK	Asymmetric load
1.3	2015-12-03	LBH	Header spec. text updated
1.4	2017-09-19	DIT	Legal Notes updated
1.5	2018-06-20	LBH/DIT	Output voltage / current spec. added
			Safety and EMC standards updated
1.6	2018-11-06	LBH/DIT	Absolute maximum Ratings updated
1.7	2018-12-11	LBH/DIT	Table 18 and 19, Dissipated Power vs.
			Output Power updated
1.8	2019-01-15	LBH/DIT	Thermal Section updated
1.9	2020-05-05	LBH/NKK	Minor update in Safety Standards
2.0	2023-04-11	LKA	List of safety-standards updated
2.1	2024-03-15	RSM/PBM	New amplifier topology prototype version
2.2	2024-05-14	RSM/PBM	New amplifier topology released version
2.3	2025-02-24	RSM/PBM	Product pictures, Figure 2 (connection diagram) and Figure 7 (output impedance SE) updated



# **Block Diagram**

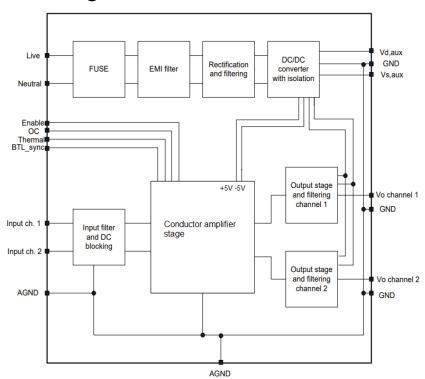


Figure 1: ICEpower125ASX2 block diagram

# **Connection Diagram**

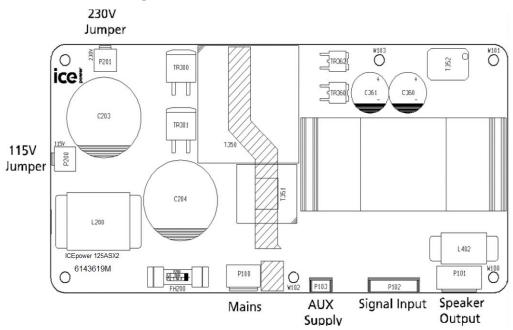


Figure 2: ICEpower125ASX2 connections

The connector interface of the ICEpower125ASX2 module has four industry standard connectors selected for long term reliability.



# AC Header Specifications (P100)

Type: J	Type: JST B2P3-VH			
PIN	Function	Description	Туре	
1	Neutral	Neutral AC	Input	
2	Live	Live AC	Input	

Table 1: AC connector specifications.

# Speaker Header Specifications (P101)

Type:	Type: JST B4P-VH				
PIN	Function	Description	Туре		
1	Vo+	Amplifier output channel 2	Output		
2	GND	GNDchannel2	GND		
2	GND	GNDchannel1	GND		
4	Vo+	Amplifier output channel 1	Output		

Table 2: Speaker connector specifications.

# Signal Header Specifications (P102)

Type: JS7	pe: JST B8B-PH-K-S		
PIN	Function	Description	Туре
1	Not used (BTL Sync)	Not used from 125ASX2 M version and forwards (Synchronization pin for 125ASX2 used in BTL-mode, only for versions before M version)	Input
2	Enable	Amplifier enable	Input/Output
3	ос	Monitor pin amplifier over current	Output
4	Thermal	Thermal monitoring pin	Output
5	Vin channel 2	Input signal channel 2	Input
6	GND	Ground terminal for the signal section.	GND
7	GND	Ground terminal for the signal section.	GND
8	Vin channel 1	Input signal channel 1	Input

Table 3: Signal connector specifications.



## Auxiliary Supply Header Specifications (P103)

Type: J	Type: JST B3B-PH-K-S			
PIN	Function	Description	Туре	
1	Vdaux	Positive unregulated auxiliary supply (typical +24V)	Output	
2	GND	Ground terminal for the auxiliary section.	GND	
3	Vsaux	Negative unregulated auxiliary supply (typical -24V)	Output	

Table 4: Auxiliary supply header specifications.

# **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Absolute maximum ratings indicate limits above which damage may occur.

## Mains Input Section 115V mains setting

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Units
AC <sub>max</sub>	Maximum off-line voltage (Safety test)	132 <sup>1b)</sup>	V <sub>AC</sub>
AC <sub>min</sub>	Minimum off-line voltage (Safety test)	85 <sup>1a, 1b)</sup>	V <sub>AC</sub>
F	Mains frequency range 85VAC - 132VAC	45 – 65	Hz

Table 6: Absolute maximum ratings, mains input section - 115V setting.

## 230V mains setting

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Units
AC <sub>max</sub>	Maximum off-line voltage (Safety test)	264 <sup>1c)</sup>	$V_{AC}$
AC <sub>min</sub>	Minimum off-line voltage (Safety test)	170 <sup>1a,1c)</sup>	V <sub>AC</sub>
F	Mains frequency range 170V <sub>AC</sub> - 264V <sub>AC</sub>	45 – 65	Hz

Table 7: Absolute maximum ratings, mains input section - 230V setting.

1.a) The ICEpower125ASX2 will operate at lower levels but the output power will be reduced. If the off-line voltage is too low, the ICEpower125ASX2 switches off.

1.b) 115 V mains setting: The maximum operating/usage mains voltage is 120Vac and the minimum operating/usage mains voltage is 100Vac.

1.c) 230 V mains setting: The maximum operating/usage mains voltage is 240Vac and the minimum operating/usage mains voltage is 200Vac.

## **Auxiliary Supply**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$I_{Vd}$	Maximum current draw from Vd (+24V) <sup>2)</sup>	250	mA
$I_{Vs}$	Maximum current draw from Vs (-24V) <sup>2)</sup>	-250	mA

Table 8: Absolute maximum ratings, auxiliary supply.

2) If the auxillary supply on ICEpower125ASX2 is used with a capacitive load, please remember to read the section "Capacitive Loading of the AUX Supply" in the ICEpower125ASX2 designer's manual.



### **Input Section**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
Vin channel 1,	Maximum voltage range on pin	±3.3	Vp
Vin channel 2			

Table 9: Absolute maximum ratings, input section.

### **Output Section**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Units
Rload	Minimum symmetric load (SE-mode)	3	Ω
	Minimum asymmetric load (SE-mode) 3)	2 & 6	Ω
	Minimum load (BTL-mode)	3	Ω
lout <sup>4)</sup>	Maximum current draw from amplifier out-	18	Α
	put		
CL	Maximal purely capacitive load (SE)	390	nF
	Maximal purely capacitive load (BTL)	220	nF

Table 10: Absolute maximum ratings, output section.

- 3) The amplifier can be loaded asymmetrically. One channel can be loaded with minimum  $2\Omega$ . The other channel must then be minimum  $6\Omega$
- 4) The overcurrent protection will act to protect the amplifier. (See "Protection features")

### **Thermal Section**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
Ta	Max ambient temperature, operating	50	°C
	– active cooled with fan <sup>5a)</sup>		
Ta	Max ambient temperature, operating	45	°C
	– passive cooled, no fan <sup>5b)</sup>		

Table 11: Absolute maximum ratings, thermal section.

5a) For safety test at 50°C ambient with fan and with the module mounted vertical and maximum AUX current draw, the maximum continuous output power without thermal shutdown is 62,5 W in BTL mode (1/8 of 500 W).

5b) For safety test at  $45^{\circ}$ C ambient without fan and with the module mounted vertical and maximum AUX current draw, the maximum continuous output power without thermal shutdown is 2x16,25 W in SE mode (1/8 of 2x130 W).



# **Power Specifications**

Unless otherwise specified.  $T_a$ =25  $^{o}$ C, f=1kHz,  $R_L$ =4 $\Omega$ , 230V mains

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Units
t <sub>Pmax</sub>	Time of maximum rated output power <sup>6)</sup>	450W out. No preheating.	-	80	-	s
P <sub>T</sub>	Continuous output power $^{6)}$ without thermal shutdown. (SE, $4\Omega)$	Thermal stab. @ T <sub>a</sub> = 25 °C.  Both channels driven	-	65	-	w
P <sub>T</sub>	Continuous output power $^{6)}$ without thermal shutdown. (SE, $8\Omega)$	out ther- Thermal stab. @ $T_a = 25$ °C. Both channels driven		70	-	w
P <sub>T</sub>	Continuous output power $^{6)}$ without thermal shutdown. (BTL, $4\Omega)$	Thermal stab. @ T <sub>a</sub> = 25 °C.	-	70	-	W
P <sub>T</sub>	Continuous output power $^{6)}$ without thermal shutdown. (BTL, $8\Omega)$	Thermal stab. @ T <sub>a</sub> = 25 °C.	-	200	-	W
P <sub>SMPS</sub>	Quiescent power consumption (amplifier disabled)	Enable pin low	-	6	-	W
Pq	Quiescent power consumption (amplifier enabled)	Po = 0W	-	9,5	-	w
η	Total power efficiency	Po = 100W 4 ohm	-	75	-	%
		Po = 400W 4 ohm	-	80,4	-	
		Po = 500W 4 ohm	-	81,4	-	
		Po = 250W 8 ohm		86,4	-	
Vd <sub>aux</sub> , Vs <sub>aux</sub>	Nominal DC voltage	Mains voltage and output power within specified ranges	±16,5	±24	±28	V

Table 12: Power specifications.

# General Audio Specifications (SE-mode)

Unless otherwise specified, f=1kHz, P<sub>O</sub>=1W, T<sub>a</sub>=25 °C.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Units
Po	Output power @ 1%THD+N  20Hz < f < 20kHz, both channels driven.	$R_L = 4\Omega$ $230V_{ac}/50Hz,$	-	120	-	W
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	115V <sub>ac</sub> /50Hz	-	105	-	
Po	Output power @ 1%THD+N	230 $V_{ac}$ /50Hz, $R_L$ = 2.7 $\Omega$	-	175	-	
	20Hz < f < 20kHz, both channels driven,	$R_L = 8\Omega$	-	60	-	W
	First channel $R_L = 2.7\Omega$ ,					
	Second channel $R_L = 8\Omega$	115 $V_{ac}$ /50Hz, $R_L$ = 2.7 $\Omega$	-	160	-	
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	$R_L = 8\Omega$	-	58	1	
Po	Output power @ 1%THD+N	$230V_{ac}/50Hz$ , $R_L = 2\Omega$	-	220	-	
	20Hz < f < 20kHz, both channels driven,	$R_L = 8\Omega$	-	58	-	W
	First channel $R_L = 2\Omega$ ,					



<sup>6)</sup> The module is mounted vertically in free air.

	Second channel $R_L = 8\Omega$	115 $V_{ac}$ /50Hz, $R_L$ = 2 $\Omega$	-	210	-	
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	$R_L = 8\Omega$	-	55	-	
Po	Output power @ 10%THD+N	$R_L = 4\Omega$				
	20Hz < f < 20kHz, both channels driven.	230V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz,	-	150	-	W
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	115V <sub>ac</sub> /50Hz	-	130	-	
$P_{O}$	Output power @ 1%THD+N	$R_L = 4\Omega$				
	20Hz < f < 20kHz, one channel driven.	230V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz,	-	130	-	W
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	115V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz	-	120	-	
$P_{O}$	Output power @ 1%THD+N	$R_L = 2.7\Omega$				
	20Hz < f < 20kHz, one channel driven.	230V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz,	-	185	-	W
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	115V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz	=	175	-	
$P_{O}$	Output power @ 1%THD+N	$R_L = 2\Omega$				
	20Hz < f < 20kHz, one channel driven.	230V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz,	-	230	-	W
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	115V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz	-	220	-	
$V_{\text{o-max}}$	Max output voltage	$R_L = 4\Omega$	-	32	-	$V_{p}$
I <sub>o-max</sub>	Max output current	(output current limited)	-	18	-	Ap
THD+N	THD+N (4 $\Omega$ , AES17 measurement filter) $^{8)}$	f = 100Hz, P <sub>O</sub> =1W	-	0.002	0.01	%
$V_{N,O}$	Output referenced idle noise	A-weighted	15	25	80	μV
Av	Nominal Voltage Gain	f = 1 kHz	24,3	24,8	25,3	dB
F	Frequency response	20Hz - 20kHz, All loads	-	±0.1	±0.3	dB
f <sub>u</sub>	Upper bandwidth limit (SE)	$R_L = 8\Omega$	-	110	-	kHz
	(-3dB)	$R_L = 4\Omega$	-	100	-	kHz
fı	Lower bandwidth limit (-3dB)	R <sub>L</sub> = All loads	-	1.5	-	Hz
Zo	Abs. output impedance	f = 1kHz	-	10	25	mΩ
Z <sub>L</sub>	Load impedance range		3 <sup>7)</sup>	4	œ	Ω
D	Dynamic range	A-weighted (125W, $4\Omega$ )	-	119	-	dB

Table 13: General audio specifications.

7) The amplifier can be loaded asymmetrically. One channel can be loaded with minimum  $2\Omega$ . The other channel must then be minimum  $6\Omega$ 8) An Audio Precision AES17 20 kHz  $7^{th}$  order measurement filter is used for measurements. The frequency 6.67 kHz corresponds to the worst-case scenario where both  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  harmonics are within the audio band.

# General Audio Specifications (BTL-mode)

Unless otherwise specified, f=1kHz, P<sub>O</sub>=1W, T<sub>a</sub>=25 °C.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Units
Po	Output power @ 1%THD+N $R_L = 4\Omega$					
	20Hz < f < 20kHz	230V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz,	-	450	-	W
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	115V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz	-	370	-	
Po	Output power @ 10%THD+N	$R_L = 4\Omega$				
	20Hz < f < 20kHz	230V <sub>ac</sub> / 50Hz,	-	550	-	W
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)	115V <sub>ac</sub> /50Hz	-	450	-	
V <sub>o-max</sub>	Max output voltage	$R_L = 4\Omega$	-	60	-	V <sub>p</sub>



I <sub>o-max</sub>	Max output current	(output current limited)	-	18	-	Ap
THD+N	THD+N in $4\Omega$	f = 100Hz, P <sub>O</sub> =1W	-	0.003	0.005	%
	(AES17 measurement filter) 8)					
$V_{N,O}$	Output referenced idle noise	A-weighted	15	30	80	μV
		20Hz < f < 20kHz				
A <sub>V</sub>	Nominal Voltage Gain	f = 1 kHz	29,7	30,7	31,7	dB
f	Frequency response	20Hz - 20kHz, All loads	-	±0.15	±0.3	dB
f <sub>u</sub>	Upper bandwidth limit (BTL)	$R_L = 8\Omega$	-	100	-	kHz
	(-3dB)	$R_L = 4\Omega$	-	100	-	kHz
fı	Lower bandwidth limit (-3dB)	R <sub>L</sub> = All loads	-	1.5	-	Hz
Z <sub>o</sub>	Abs. output impedance	f = 1kHz	-	18	30	mΩ
$Z_L$	Load impedance range		3	4	8	Ω
D	Dynamic range	A-weighted at 500W@4 $\Omega$	-	123	1	dB

Table 14: General audio specifications.

8) An Audio Precision AES17 20 kHz  $7^{th}$  order measurement filter is used for measurements. The frequency 6.67 kHz corresponds to the worst-case scenario where both  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{nd}$  harmonics are within the audio band.



# **Electrical Specifications**

Unless otherwise specified, T<sub>a</sub>=25 °C.

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
fo	Switching frequency channel 1	Idle $4\Omega$ load	400	450	490	kHz
fo	Switching frequency channel 2	Idle $4\Omega$ load	410	460	500	kHz
fo	Switching frequency BTL	Idle $4\Omega$ load	410	460	500	kHz
f <sub>s</sub>	Switching frequency range (amplifier)	Idle to full scale $4\Omega$ load	130	-	590	kHz
f <sub>smps</sub>	Switching frequency (power supply)		-	100	-	kHz

Table 15: Electrical specifications.

# **Timing Specifications**

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
t <sub>acd</sub>	Power supply start-up delay.	Time from reaching AC <sub>min</sub> to all power supplies	ı	600	1000	ms
	(nominal mains)	are good and amplifier is active.				

Table 16: Timing specifications.

# Disturbances on the Mains

The signal on the mains connection is often very noisy and large surge voltages are present. The ICEpower125ASX2 is equipped with mains filtering to suppress surges and noise.

Special care and component selection has made the ICEpower125ASX2 able to withstand surges up to 8kV to avoid damage to the ICEpower125ASX2 in case of surges caused by lightning.

# **Mechanical Specifications**

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Test	Acceleration	Amount			
Unpowered tests: The unit is powered after the test to verify functionality.					
Random vibration 2g <sub>RMS</sub> 3x20min					
Bump	10g/16ms, 2-4 Hz	1000 bumps in each of 6 directions <sup>9)</sup>			
Shock	70g/12ms	3 shocks in each of 6 directions <sup>9)</sup>			
Powered tests: The uni	t is tested with power applied.				
Sinusoidal vibrations	2.5mm, 5-10Hz	2 hours in each of 3 directions <sup>9)</sup>			
	1g, 10-100Hz				
Random vibrations	0.01g, 10-20Hz	2 hours in each of 3 directions <sup>9)</sup>			
	0.7g <sub>RMS</sub> –3dB/oct, 20-150Hz				

Table 17: Mechanical tests.

9) 6 directions: (up, down, left, right forward and backward). 3 directions: (up and down, left and right, forward and backward



# **Typical Performance Characteristics**

## Frequency Response (SE-mode)

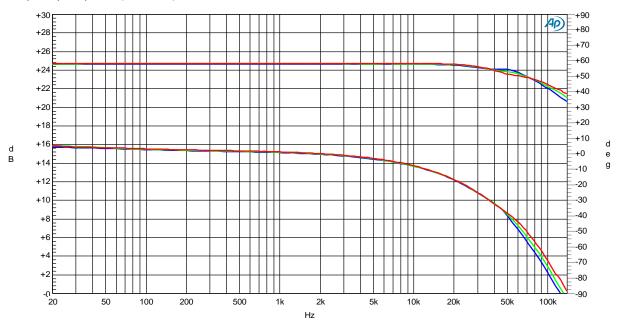


Figure 3: Frequency response in  $4\Omega$  (blue),  $8\Omega$  (green) and open load (red). Top – amplitude. Bottom – phase.

## Frequency Response (BTL-mode)

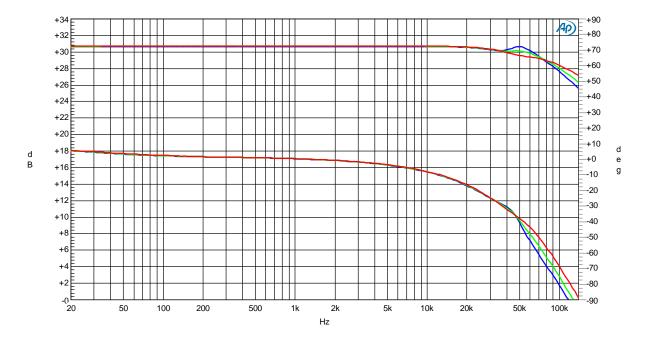
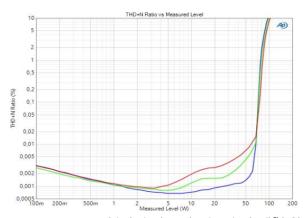
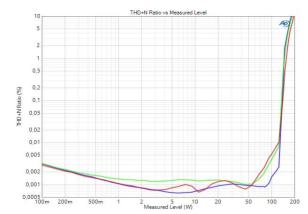


Figure 4: Frequency response in  $4\Omega$  (blue),  $8\Omega$  (green) and open load (red). Top – amplitude. Bottom – phase.



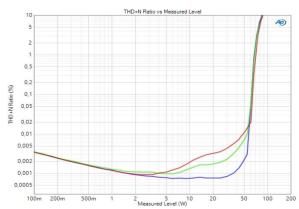
## Harmonic Distortion & Noise (SE-mode)

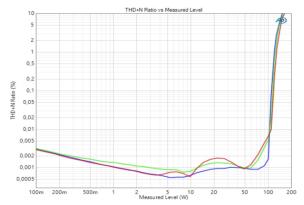




THD+N vs. Po at 100Hz(Blue), 1kHz(Green) and 6.67kHz(Red)  $^{8)}$  (8 $\Omega$ ), 230Vac/50Hz

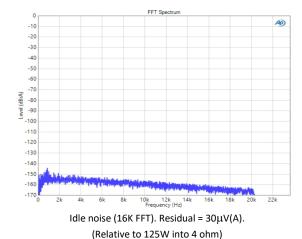
THD+N vs. Po at 100Hz(Blue), 1kHz(Green) and 6.67kHz(Red)  $^{8)}$  (4 $\Omega$ ), 230Vac/50Hz

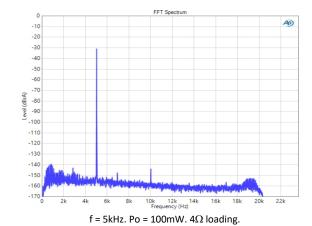




THD+N vs. Po at 100Hz(Blue), 1kHz(Green) and 6.67kHz(Red)  $^{8)}$  (8 $\Omega$ ), 115Vac/50Hz

THD+N vs. Po at 100Hz(Blue), 1kHz(Green) and 6.67kHz(Red)  $^{8)}$  (4 $\Omega$ ), 115Vac/50Hz





(Relative to 125W into 4 ohm)

Figure 5: Total harmonic distortion & noise (SE).

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### Harmonic Distortion & Noise (BTL-mode)

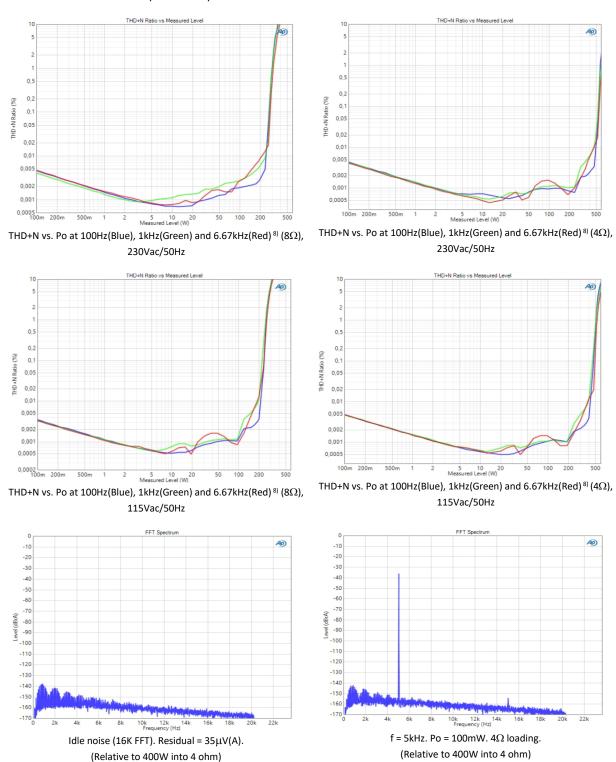


Figure 6: Total harmonic distortion & noise (BTL).

8) An Audio Precision AES17 20 kHz 7th order measurement filter is used for measurements. The frequency 6.67 kHz corresponds to the worst-case scenario where both 2nd and 3rd harmonics are within the audio band.



# Power vs. Frequency

The maximum allowable short-term output power of the ICEpower125SAX2 is frequency-dependant due to limitations in the output filter capacitor which will be subject to higher current and losses at high frequencies. The short-term output power is defined as the maximum undistorted (THD+N < 1%) output power until thermal shutdown occurs. The maximum Full Power Bandwidth is 20 kHz. Above this frequency, sustained operation at high output voltages may cause damage to the module.

Note that this limitation will never cause problems when the amplifier is fed a music signal at the input, but the limit must be taken into consideration when the amplifier is tested under laboratory conditions using sine waves or noise signals.

# **Output Impedance**

The output impedance is measured by feeding  $1A_{RMS}$  into the output of the amplifier and measuring the voltage on the output. The voltage then corresponds to the output impedance. The output impedance is measured directly on the terminals on the PCB.

The figures below show the output impedance from 100Hz – 20kHz for one channel in SE-mode (left) and in BTL-mode (right).

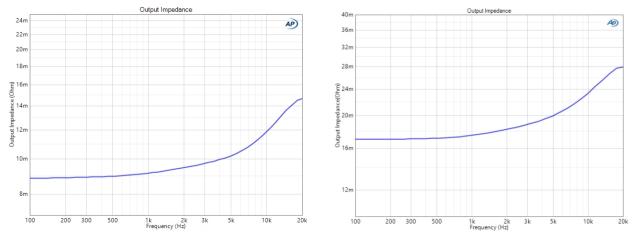


Figure 7: Measured voltage at output terminals while feeding 1A<sub>RMS</sub> into the output of the amplifier at PCB.

# Loading

With its low output impedance, the ICEpower125ASX2 is designed to be unaffected by loudspeaker loading characteristics. However, care should be taken with *purely* capacitive loads.

Traditionally amplifiers have been tested extensively in laboratories with purely capacitive loads. This was done to test the amplifier's stability and performance, but it does not relate to any normal speaker load as even electrostatic speakers do not present a purely capacitive load to the amplifier but include a resistive part as well. The maximum purely capacitive load allowed is 390nF per channel in SE-mode or 220nF in BTL-mode.



# Dissipated Power vs. Output Power

Mains Voltage [Vac]	Measured mains current draw [A]	Rated mains current draw	Measured mains power	Rated mains power draw	Test Condition
		[A]	draw [W]	[W]	
90 Vac / 50 Hz	2.984	3	178.3	180	1 kHz sine wave input, all
132 Vac / 50 Hz	3.945	4	336.0	340	channels driven, (maxi-
180 Vac / 50 Hz	1.575	1.6	180.2	185	mum) non-clipped output
264 Vac / 50 Hz	2.007	2.1	328.4	330	power, 4 ohm output loads
90V / 60 Hz	2.922	3	178.0	180	in SE mode, +/-25V outputs
132 Vac / 60 Hz	3.85	3.9	338.3	340	loaded with 250 mA each.
180 Vac / 60 Hz	1.574	1.6	180.2	185	7
264 Vac / 60 Hz	1.954	2	328	330	7
90 Vac / 50 Hz	4.74	4.8	300.1	305	1 kHz sine wave input, all
132 Vac / 50 Hz	6.87	6.9	618	620	channels driven, (maxi-
180 Vac / 50 Hz	2.633	2.7	318	320	mum) non-clipped output
264 Vac / 50 Hz	3.667	3.7	636	640	power, 4 ohm output loads
90V / 60 Hz	4.77	4.8	300.2	305	in BTL mode, +/-25V out-
132 Vac / 60 Hz	6.70	6.75	616	620	puts loaded with 250 mA
180 Vac / 60 Hz	2.579	2.6	316	320	each.
264 Vac / 60 Hz	3.568	3.6	637	640	1
90 Vac / 50 Hz	0.686	0.7	36.8	38	1 kHz sine wave input, all
100Vac / 50 Hz	0.731	0.75	42.8	44	channels driven, 1/8 non-
120 Vac / 50 Hz	0.852	0.9	58.9	60	clipped output power, 4
132 Vac / 50 Hz	0.858	0.9	64.1	65	ohm output loads in SE
180 Vac / 50 Hz	0.373	0.4	37.2	38	mode,+/-25V outputs
200 Vac / 50 Hz	0.387	0.4	42.5	44	loaded with 250 mA each.
240 Vac / 50 Hz	0.448	0.5	58.4	60	
264 Vac / 50 Hz	0.461	0.5	64.9	65	
90 Vac / 50 Hz	0.861	0.9	47.6	48	1 kHz sine wave input, all
100Vac / 50 Hz	0.977	1	58.67	60	channels driven, 1/8 non-
120 Vac / 50 Hz	1.131	1.2	79.3	80	clipped output power, 4
132 Vac / 50 Hz	1.232	1.25	97.05	98	ohm output loads in BTL
180 Vac / 50 Hz	0.486	0.5	50.1	52	mode, +/-25V outputs
200 Vac / 50 Hz	0.611	0.65	69.47	70	loaded with 250 mA each.
240 Vac / 50 Hz	0.657	0.7	88.7	90	
264 Vac / 50 Hz	0.682	0.7	101.0	102	

Table 18: Dissipated power vs. Output power.



## **Features**

The ICEpower125ASX2 has a number of useful features described below.

## Over Current monitor pin

Figure 8 shows the internal circuit of the OC pin interface. This pin is high (+5V) during normal operation, but it is pulled low (0V) if a short circuit is detected on the speaker output terminals. This pin is only an output.

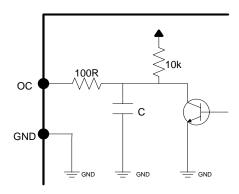


Figure 8: Over Current monitor pin interface

## Thermal monitor pin

Figure 9 shows the internal circuit of the thermal pin interface. This pin is high (+5V) under normal conditions. If the amplifier temperature becomes too high, the pin is pulled low (0V). This can happen if the continuous power drawn from the amplifier exceeds the limits listed on p. 6 and p. 7. This pin is only an output.

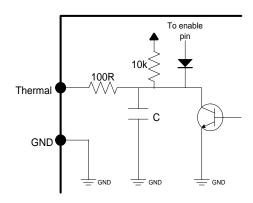


Figure 9: Thermal monitor pin interface.

# Enable pin

The enable pin can enable/disable the amplifier. If the pin is left unconnected, then the level is high (+5V) and the amplifier is enabled. If the pin is pulled low (0V) externally, the amplifier will be disabled.

The enable pin will also be pulled low by the internal protection circuitry if the amplifier temperature becomes too high or a mains under-voltage is detected. This pin is bidirectional.

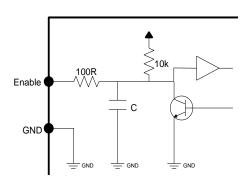


Figure 10: Enable pin interface.



## BTL Sync pin (Not used)

The BTL synchronization pin is used when the amplifier is operated in BTL mode. When the amplifier is used in BTL mode, the BTL sync pin must be pulled low (OV). By setting the BTL sync pin low, it is ensured that the switching frequencies of the two separate amplifier channels are tied closely together for optimized THD performance.

Note that with revisions from 6143619M and forwards, it is no longer necessary to use BTL sync. This pin no longer has any function or connection to the circuitry of the 125ASX2 module.

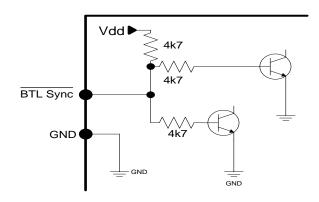


Figure 11: BTL sync pin interface

## Auxiliary power supply

The auxiliary supply can be used to power an external circuit such as a preamplifier or an equalizer/crossover. Remember that this supply is unregulated.

When using this AUX supply, please remember to read the sections "Shielding and Grounding of Audio Signals" and "Capacitive Loading of the Aux Supply" in the ICEpower125ASX2 designer's manual.

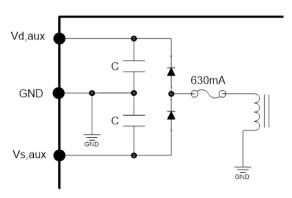


Figure 12: Auxiliary supply equivalent diagram.

### NOTE:

The Vd and Vs outputs are fused. Even brief overloads or short circuits will blow the fuse!

The fuse on the module is a 630mA type to keep the inrushcurrent from blowing the fuse, but the maximum current draw (sum of current from Vd,aux and Vc,aux) should never exceed 500mA.



## **Protection Features**

The ICEpower125ASX2 is equipped with several protection features for surviving overload without damage. The block diagram below illustrates the different protection features.

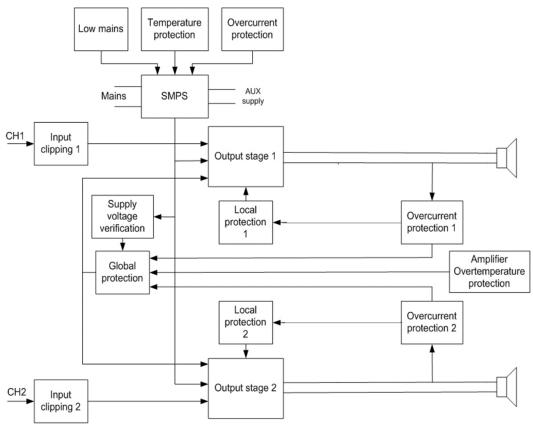


Figure 13: Protection schematic

## **Power Supply Protection**

The power supply of the ICEpower125ASX2 has two protection circuits; over temperature and overcurrent.

The temperature protection will be activated if the absolute temperature of the circuit is too high. This can be caused by high ambient temperature, high load (amplifier and AUX supply) for a long time or a combination of these two parameters.

The overcurrent protection will be activated if the output current to amplifier and/or AUX exceeds the limits. Please remember that the AUX supply is protected by a fuse which will blow if the supply is overloaded.

If one of these protection features is triggered, the power supply either limits its output power or shuts down. In case of a shutdown, the power supply will rapidly try to restart if the circuit's temperature is acceptable.



## **Amplifier Local Protection**

The ICEpower125ASX2 has a local protection circuit for each of the two audio channels. This local protection handles over current protection. If this protection feature is activated on one channel, it will influence the channel where the error occurred and then it affects the entire module.

Zobel/saturation protection is no longer needed because the amplifier cannot saturate, and it will run in over current limit until over temperature protection occurs.

# **Amplifier Global Protection**

There are two global protection features in the ICEpower125ASX2 amplifier; an over temperature protection and an overcurrent protection.

The over temperature protection will only occur if the P<sub>RMS</sub> is greater that the specified Continuous Output Power. In normal use, the amplifier will not shut down if properly mounted.

The overcurrent detection circuit is a secondary self-oscillating loop which accurately measures and controls the current in the output stage. Over current limitation condition will be allowed until over temperature protection occurs. The current limit is set to 18A. When one channel gets overheated the entire module stops. Thus, it gives global protection.

# Input/Output Interface

### Input Stage

The single ended input buffer has an anti-aliasing filtering and a DC blocking capacitor. The input impedance of the signal input section is minimum  $8k\Omega$  over the audio bandwidth, which is an acceptable loading condition for pre-amps, active crossover outputs etc.

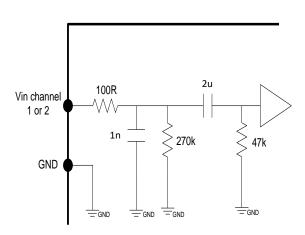


Figure 14: Single ended input buffer.



# BTL module setup

When using the BTL module, the wiring diagram on fig. 15 should be followed.

Note that with revisions from 6143619M and forwards, it is no longer necessary to use BTL sync. This pin no longer has any function or connection to the circuitry of the 125ASX2 module.

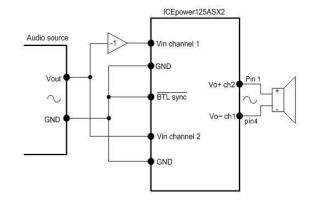


Figure 15: Wiring diagram for the BTL module

## Output stage

The output stage is a half bridge topology with a 2nd order filter. The essential output characteristics are:

- The switching residual on the output primarily consists of a single frequency component at the carrier fundamental fs.
- The system bandwidth is 110 kHz in  $8\Omega$  (SE) and 100 kHz in  $8\Omega$  (BTL).

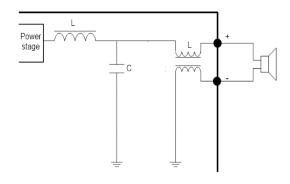


Figure 16: SE output filter section.



# **Operational Timing Diagram**

The following diagram shows selected signals during power up/down (nominal mains).

Timing for changes in mains and enable levels

- 1. 570ms
- 2. 30ms
- 3. 200us
- 4. 30ms
- 5. Up to 2 seconds (Pout dependent)
- 6. 30ms

Overcurrent and thermal pins have the same response delays as the enable pin from when the over current or thermal error is detected.

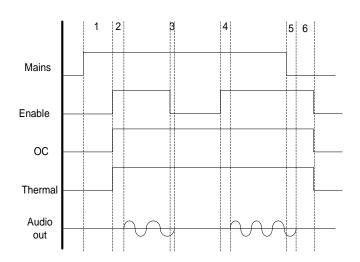


Figure 17: Timing - enable and mains.

# Thermal Design

Thermal design is generally a great challenge in power amplifier systems. Linear amplifier designs operating in class A or AB are normally very inefficient and therefore equipped with extensive heat sinking to keep the transistor junction temperature low. The ICEpower125ASX2 is based on highly efficient ICEpower switching technology providing high overall efficiency characteristics at all levels of operation.

Part of the "component" philosophy of the ICEpower125ASX2 module is to provide a self-cooled component thus eliminating the need for special attention to thermal design.

The ICEpower125ASX2 module is designed for music reproduction, which means that the output power of the amplifier will never be continuous. Research has shown that the long-term RMS level of any music signal does not normally exceed 1/8th of the maximum non clipped RMS value, rated output power and the power supply is therefore designed for large short-term power handling and lower continuous power handling. If the average output power of the ICEpower125ASX2 exceeds 65W @  $4\Omega$  (SE-mode with both channels driven) or 70W @  $4\Omega$  (BTL-mode) for a long time at 25°C ambient temperature, the module will reach its maximum allowable temperature and the temperature protection will be activated.

Further information about thermal design can be found in the ICEpower ASX designer's manual.



# **Physical Dimensions**

All dimensions are in mm.

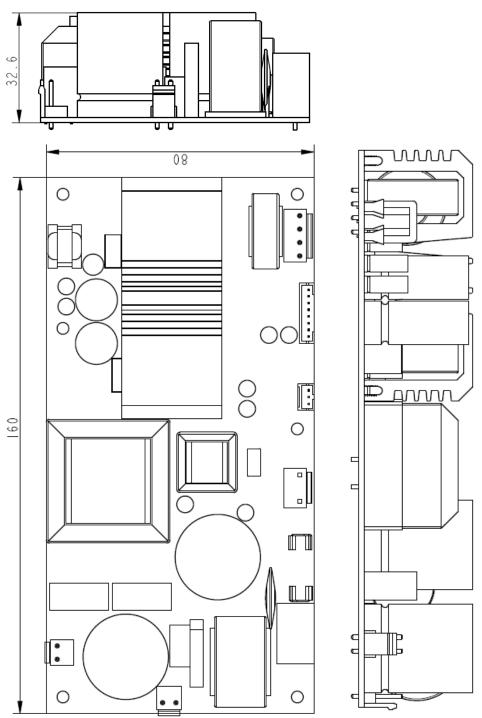


Figure 18: Physical dimensions in mm.

Important! A minimum clearance of 12 mm. around the module is required for safety and ventilation reasons.



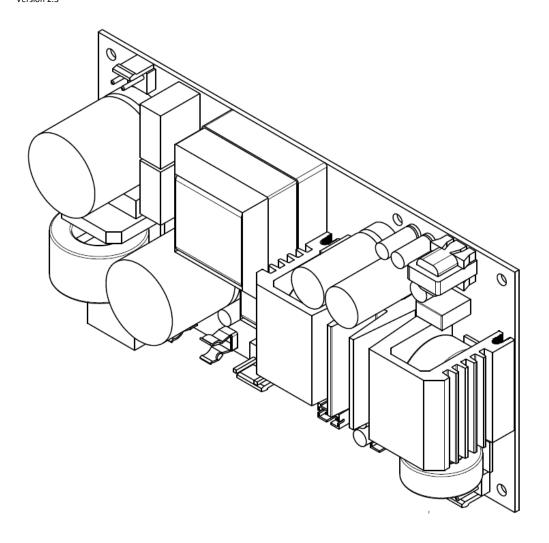


Figure 19: 3D-view of the ICEpower125ASX2 board.



# **Drill Pattern**

All dimensions are in mm. The diameter of the mounting holes is 3.5 mm and max. height above the PCB is 31 mm.

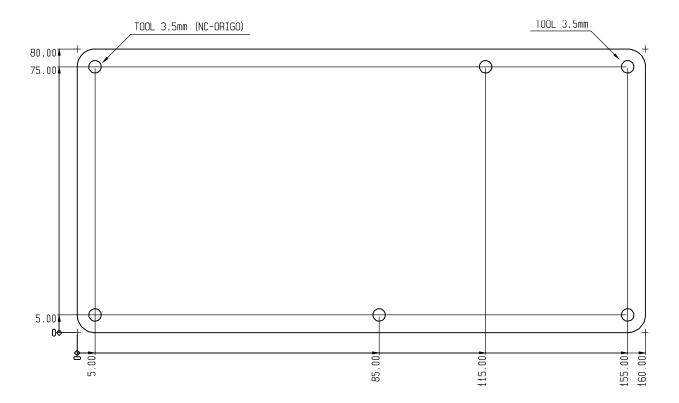


Figure 20: PCB drill pattern.



# Safety Standards

The ICEpower125ASX2 is safety approved by CSA to ease the design-in procedure. The module complies with the following standards:

EN/IEC 62368-1:2018 (Second edition) & EN/IEC 62368-1:2020 (Third edition)

UL 62368-1, 3rd Ed & CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 62368-1:19, 3rd Ed

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#### **EMC**

EN 55032: Note 1

Note1: Depends on cable routing on the mains/amplifier outputs and load characteristics. Connecting safety ground to the mains side/ Additional filtering may be needed.

Safety Class

Class 2 (without earth)

# **ESD Warning**

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- IEC 61340-5-2: Protection of electronic devices from electrostatic phenomena. User Guide.
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Further handling of the products should comply with the same standards.

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# Packaging and Storing

## Dimensions and weight

Package Quantity		Dimensions (w x d x h) [mm]	Gross Weight [kg]	
Carton	36	400 x 580 x 220	16.5 (kg)	
Pallet	864	800 x 1200 x 1410	420 (kg)	

ESD safe cardboard is used for wrapping.

Order Codes	Description	Part Number
ICEpower125ASX2	2x125W or 1x500W ICEpower Am-	8002661
	plifier with integrated ICEpower	
	Supply	

## Storage humidity

Do not expose the pallets to humidity levels higher than 85% or rain.

## Storage temperature

The pallets are to be stored at temperatures from  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## Stacking

Pallets may not be stacked on top of each other.



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