D4 and R46 create a virtual ground (VGND) and protect the MAX1627 from over voltages. Conducted noise is filtered by C42, C43 and L5. The blocking diode, D6, stops the radio battery from powering the vehicle kit when the current source is off.

The radio is protected from over voltages at the battery terminal by IC5:C, IC5:D and their associated circuity. If the voltage at the output (BAT1) reaches approximately 10.3 V, then Q3 is turned on by the Schmitt trigger IC5:D. This changes the feedback from current controlled (via IC5:B) to voltage controlled (via IC5:C). The non inverting amplifier of IC5:C is configured such that it overrides the output of IC5:B and sets the output voltage to approximately 10.6 V.

The current source is normally controlled by the micro controller (IC3). When pin 20 goes low, the current source is turned on.

Fast Charger Micro Controller

IC3 is a 68HC05 based micro controller, which runs custom charger software to control the current source and intelligently monitor the charge state of the battery. Note that this software behaves differently from the desktop fast charger software. When working correctly the microcontroller will always make the LED glow orange for 3 seconds whenever power is reapplied.

The line into IC3 pin 1 (RESET) is used by the 5 V regulator (IC1) to control the startup of IC3. RESET is only released by IC1, once power has stabilised and the circuits are powered up. The RESET line is also controlled by the power save circuity, so that the fast charger can be turned off.

The control line for the current source is IC3 pin 20, with low being on and high impedance being off. This line controls the current source, via Q7.

The coarse voltage input used for general voltage measurements is IC3 pin 16. The expanded voltage input used for fine voltage

measurements is IC3 pin 17. Battery temperature is measured via IC3 pin 18. This pin is pulled to ground via a 10 k Ω (nominal) thermistor inside the battery case. The battery capacity input used to tell the charger whether the battery is NiCd or NiMH is IC3 pin 19.

The line to IC3 pin 7 is an input which tells the micro controller when the vehicle kit PTT is activated. The line to IC3 pin 9 is an input which tells the micro controller when the radio is on.

Vehicle Kit Power Supply Input Protection Power to the circuit (13.8 V nominal) is provided through a Mini Fit Molex connector. Protection circuitry consists of a 22 V transient suppressor (D1) and a 2.5 A polyswitch (PS1). C11 and C12 provide some filtering of the input power.

Over voltage protection is also provided by D1. Short transient over voltage (>22 V) pulses will be clamped by D1, preventing harm to the circuit. Longer sustained over voltage conditions, such as incorrect connection to a 24 V vehicle supply, will cause D1 to conduct and eventually fail to a short circuit state. This will result in a power lead fuse blowing or PS1 tripping, if the fuses are of the incorrect rating (> 3A) or not fitted (i.e. the line is shorted).

Vehicle Kit Power Supply 5 Volt Regulator

IC1, an L4949, is the 5 V regulator for the vehicle kit and produces the +5 V rail. It also controls the RESET line of the micro controller under startup and will reset the micro controller if there are any voltage dips. C13 is fitted to improve output noise and transient response. C14 sets the reset delay time. The tantalum capacitor C15 maintains the stability of the output voltage. The maximum current available from the +5 V rail is 100mA.

Vehicle Kit Power Supply Power Save

The low voltage shut down (LVSD) circuitry on the charger PCB is used to power down sections of the vehicle kit under various conditions. If the vehicle battery gets below 11 V, the Schmitt trigger built around IC2:A will go high, turning on Q1 and pulling the RESET line low. This will turn off the fast charger to conserve the vehicle battery. The output of IC2:A is also fed to the options PCB and the base of Q6. This puts the audio power amplifier (IC4) into standby to conserve the vehicle battery.

The ignition sense input to the charger PCB (IGN on pin 3 of the power connector) can be used to turn off the vehicle kit when the vehicle ignition is off. If IGN is wired to permanent power, then this feature is disabled. If IGN is wired to switched accessory power, then when the ignition is off the fast charger and the audio power amplifier are turned off via IC2:A.

LK4 is not fitted. It can be used to disable ignition sense for bench testing.

The diode (D2) in the feedback path of IC2:A is used to increase the hysteresis of the Schmitt trigger. Thus when low vehicle battery voltage triggers IC2:A, the vehicle battery must recover by approximately 1 V above the threshold before the vehicle kit will be powered up.

Note that to adjust the LVSD threshold, voltage

divider R22, R24, R25 and R26 must be changed.

Vehicle Kit Options PCB (IPN 220-01505-xx)

This PCB contains the mode switching logic, the microphone pre-amp, the RS-232 conversion module, the audio power amplifier with its associated input circuitry and the mute/ standby module. A block diagram of this board is shown in Figure F-14.

Audio Power Amplifier and Associated Circuitry The audio power amplifier takes the differential audio available at the radio accessory pins and amplifies it to drive an external speaker. The first stage is a differential amplifier (IC2:B) with a gain of -6 dB (0.5). This produces a single ended audio signal at pin 7 which is tapped off along two paths. The first path is via the voltage divider R69 and R68 which attenuate the signal by a factor of 100 (-40 dB). This signal is then AC coupled into IC4 which is configured for Bridge Tied Load (BTL) operation and has a fixed gain of 46 dB (200). IC4 is a Philips TDA1519A car audio power amplifier chip.

Figure F-14: Vehicle kit options PCB block diagram



Note that the recommended method for changing the gain of the audio power amplifier is to adjust the ratio of the voltage divider formed by R69 and R68.

The second path for the single ended audio signal present at pin 7 of IC2:B is via R78 and C52, to become the AUDIO-D25 signal. This signal has its output at pin 6 on the D25 connector on the charger PCB. The minimum input impedance of a circuit that connects to AUDIO-D25 is $6k \Omega$. The recommended input impedance would be $47k \Omega$.

The audio PA has three modes of operation (standby, mute and on) which are set by the voltage at pin 8. A pull-up for the on mode is provided by R75, while Q3 controls the mute mode, by switching in R73 to form a voltage divider with R75. Q4 pulls IC4 pin 8 low to control the standby mode. The following table summarises the PA operation.

Table F-12: Vehicle kit option PCB - audio PA operation

Mode	Voltage Level	Controlled By
On	> 8.5 V	Q3: off Q4: off R75: Pull up
Mute	3.3 V - 6.4 V	Q3: on Q4: off R75/R73: divider
Standby	< 2 V	Q4: on

When the audio PA is in either the mute or on mode, its outputs (pins 4 & 6) are biased with a DC level of approximately 6.5 V.

A BUSY signal is created by looking at the DC bias on the EXT+SPKR signal. IC2:A is configured as a Schmitt trigger and is used to produce the BUSY signal (pin 1). R67 and C27 provide filtering of the audio signal so that IC2:A is not falsely triggered by large audio peaks. The reference signal is produced from +7V5-ACC via the voltage divider of R65 and R66.

The 7V5-ACC signal is accessory power from the radio and indicates if the radio is switched on. If there is no 7V5-ACC signal then the audio PA is held in its standby mode via Q7 and Q4. When the DC bias is absent from EXT+SPKR, BUSY is high and the audio PA is held in its mute mode via Q3. The audio PA can also be put into standby mode via the SPK-CUT control signal being high. Q4 will always override Q3.

Putting the audio PA into standby is part of the power save feature of the vehicle kit. LVSD is a control line from the charger PCB which goes high when the vehicle battery is too low (<11V). If LVSD is high then the audio PA is put into standby mode via Q6, Q7 and Q4.

A 3.5mm stereo phono socket is used to connect the external speaker. When the mono plug of an external speaker is attached, the middle connection of the stereo socket (SPKSENSE) is shorted to one of the audio PA output signals. When the audio PA is operating there is a DC bias of approximately 6.5 V (half rail) on both of its outputs. This bias is used to turn on Q5, which pulls SENSE-0-ACC low, disabling the radio's internal speaker.

The D25 connector has a control line called SPKR-OFF on pin 2. If the accessory connected to the D25 connector has a speaker, then by pulling SPKR-OFF low all other speakers can be disabled. The SPKR-OFF signal is inverted by Q9 to produce SPK-CUT. If SPK-CUT is high, then the audio PA will be placed in standby mode via Q4 (which turns off an external speaker if it is connected). SENSE-0-ACC is pulled low to disable the radio's internal speaker.

Microphone Pre-Amp

A capacitor multiplier formed by Q2, R2 and C19 is used to filter the +5 V supply producing +5V-FIL which is used to provide DC bias for the microphones via R3 and R22.

The internal microphone in the radio is disabled by an impedance to ground, which is typically the electret microphone of a speaker microphone. In the vehicle kit this is accomplished by R28, which is connected to the EXT-MIC-D25 line. Thus whenever the radio is in the vehicle kit the internal microphone is disabled.

RS-232 Conversion

An RS-232 level 3 wire serial port is provided at the DB25 connector (TX-OUT, RX-IN, GND), for use by devices such as data terminals. The radio provides CMOS level serial communications via the RXD and TXD signals. These signals are converted to full RS-232 voltage levels (i.e. +10 V for a logic 0, and -10 V for a logic 1) by IC3.