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(54) RADIO FREQUENCY SIGNAL PHASE CORRECTION IN A DISTRIBUTED POWER MANAGEMENT CIRCUIT

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ABSTRACT

A distributed power management circuit is disclosed. Herein, a phase correction in a radio frequency (RF) signal is performed by a power management integrated circuit (PMIC), a distributed PMC, and a power amplifier circuit. The power amplifier circuit includes a phase shifter circuit configured to phase-shift the RF signal based on a phase correction signal and a power amplifier configured to amplify the phase-shifted RF signal based on a modulated voltage. The distributed PMIC is configured to generate the phase correction signal and the modulated voltage based on a modulated target voltage. The PMIC is configured to generate the modulated target voltage based on a timevariant power envelope of the RF signal. As a result, the modulated voltage and the time-variant power envelope can be better aligned in time and/or phase at the power amplifier circuit to thereby improve efficiency and linearity of the power amplifier.

