# 200mA/500mA Selectable Current-Limit Switches 

## General Description

The MAX4772/MAX4773 switches feature selectable internal current limiting to prevent damage to host devices due to faulty load conditions. The MAX4772/MAX4773 include a logic input to select a guaranteed 200 mA or 500 mA current limit, making them ideal for SDIO and other load-switching applications. These analog switches have a low $0.2 \Omega$ on-resistance and operate from a 2.0 V to 4.5 V input voltage range.
When the switch is on and a load is connected to the port, a guaranteed blanking time of 14 ms ensures that the transient voltage settles down. If, after this blanking time, the load current is greater than the current limit, the MAX4772 switch is turned off and issues a FLAG to the microprocessor. The switch can be turned on again by cycling the power or the ON input.
The MAX4773 has an autoretry feature where the switch turns off and issues a FLAG to the microprocessor after the blanking time and then continuously checks to see if the overload condition is present. The switch remains on after the overload condition disappears and FLAG deasserts.
The MAX4772/MAX4773 are available in tiny space-saving 6-pin SOT23 and 6-pin TDFN ( $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) packages.

## Applications

SDIO
PDAs and Palmtop Devices
Cell Phones
GPS Systems
Hand-Held Devices
Typical Operating Circuit


Features

- Guaranteed Current Limit: 200mA or 500mA
- Thermal-Shutdown Protection
- Reverse-Current Protection
- $0.2 \Omega$ On-Resistance (SEL = High)
- 14ms Guaranteed Blanking Time
- FLAG Function
- Autoretry (MAX4773)
- 80 A A Supply Current
- 6 $\mu \mathrm{A}$ Latch-Off Current (MAX4772)
- $0.01 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ Shutdown Current
- 2.0V to 4.5V Supply Range
- Fast Current-Limit Response Time
- Tiny SOT23 and TDFN Packages
- UL Certification Pending


## Ordering Information

| PART | TEMP RANGE | PIN- <br> PACKAGE | TOP <br> MARK |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| MAX4772EUT-T | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 6 SOT23-6 | ABND |
| MAX4772ETT ${ }^{*}$ | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 6 TDFN-EP** | - |
| MAX4773EUT-T | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 6 SOT23-6 | ABNE |
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*Future product-contact factory for availability.
${ }^{* *}$ EP-Exposed pad.
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| PART | AUTORETRY |
| :--- | :---: |
| MAX4772EUK-T | No |
| MAX4772ETT | No |
| MAX4773EUK-T | Yes |
| MAX4773ETT | Yes |

Pin Configurations


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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

IN, ON, FLAG, SEL, OUT to GND............................-0.3V to +6 V
OUT Short Circuit to GND .............................Internally Limited
Continuous Power Dissipation $\left(\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ )
6-Pin SOT23 (derate $8.7 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ )........... 696 mW
6-Pin TDFN (derate $24.4 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) ........ 1951 mW

Operating Temperature Range
$-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Junction Temperature ..................................................... $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Storage Temperature Range ............................. $-65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) ................................. $300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

$\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=+2.0 \mathrm{~V}\right.$ to $+4.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=+3.3 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. $)($ Note 1$)$


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| PARAMETER | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Short-Circuit Current-Limit Response Time |  | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {ON }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$, short circuit applied to OUT |  | 5 |  | $\mu \mathrm{s}$ |
| Retry Time (Note 5) | tretry | MAX4773 (Figure 4) | 210 |  | 900 | ms |

Note 1: All parts are $100 \%$ tested at $+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Electrical limits across the full temperature range are guaranteed by design and correlation.
Note 2: Latch-off current does not include the current flowing into FLAG.
Note 3: TDFN parts are guaranteed by design.
Note 4: The on-time is defined as the time taken for the current through the switch to go from OmA to full load. The off-time is defined as the time taken for the current through the switch to go from full load to 0 mA .
Note 5: Retry time is typically 15 times the blanking time (typ).

Typical Operating Characteristics
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Pin Description

| PIN |  | NAME |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| SOT23 | TDFN |  |  |
| 1 | 1 | IN | Input. Bypass with a $0.1 \mu$ F ceramic capacitor to ground. |
| 2 | 5 | GND | Ground |
| 3 | 6 | ON | Active-High Switch-On Input. A logic high turns the switch on. |
| 4 | 4 | $\overline{\text { FLAG }}$ | Fault Output. This open-drain output goes low when the device stays in forward or reverse current limit <br> for more than the blanking time period. FLAG is high impedance when a fault is not present or when <br> ON is low. |
| 5 | 3 | SEL | Current-Limit Threshold Selection. Connect to logic-low level or leave floating to select 200mA current- <br> limit threshold. Connect to logic-high level to select 500mA current-limit threshold. |
| 6 | 2 | OUT | Switch Output. Bypass with a 0.1 $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor to ground. |

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Figure 1. Functional Diagram

## Detailed Description

The MAX4772/MAX4773 are forward/reverse currentlimited switches that operate from a 2.0 V to 4.5 V input voltage range and guarantee a 200 mA or 500 mA minimum current-limit threshold when driving SEL Iow or high, respectively. The voltage drop across an internal sense resistor is compared to two reference voltages to indicate a forward or reverse current-limit fault. When the load current exceeds the preset current limit for greater than the fault-blanking time, the switch opens.

The MAX4773 has an autoretry function that turns on the switch again after an internal retry time expires. If the faulty load condition is still present after the blanking time, the switch turns off again and the cycle is repeated. If the faulty load condition is not present, the switch remains on.
The MAX4772 does not have the autoretry option and the switch remains in latch-off mode until the ON pin or the input power is cycled from high to low and then high again.

Current-Limit Threshold Selection
The MAX4772/MAX4773 SEL logic input sets the desired minimum current-limit threshold to 200 mA or 500 mA . Connect SEL low or leave floating for 200 mA current limit and high for the 500mA current limit.
During power-up, if SEL is low or floating, the current limit is set to 200 mA . The MAX4772/MAX4773 uses an internal pulldown resistor ( $100 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, max) to set the default current limit to 200 mA when SEL is floating. After the first low-tohigh transition, the pulldown resistor is internally disconnected and the level on SEL determines the current limit (SEL = low, 200mA and SEL = high, 500mA).
During power-up, if SEL and VIN rise together, the current limit is immediately set to 500 mA .
Figures 2 and 3 illustrate the two different modes of power-up sequence for the MAX4772/MAX4773. In Figure 2, the switch powers up, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}} \geq 2 \mathrm{~V}$, a low-to-high transition on SEL changes the current limit from 200 mA to 500 mA . In Figure 3, the switch powers up in the 500 mA current-limit mode with SEL and IN rising simultaneously.
The microprocessor's GPIO must be able to source the $100 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ drive current for the MAX4772/MAX4773 500mA current-limit operation. After the current limit has been set to 500 mA , the $100 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ driving current is no longer needed.

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Figure 2. MAX4772/MAX4773 Power-Up Sequence (VSEL Rises after Power-Up)

## Reverse-Current Protection

The MAX4772/MAX4773 limit the reverse current (Vout to VIN) from exceeding the maximum IREV value. The switch is shut off and FLAG is asserted if the reverse current-limit condition persists for more than the blanking time. This feature prevents excessive reverse currents from flowing through the device.

## Switch-On/Off Control

Toggle ON high to enable the current-limited switches. When a forward/reverse current fault is present or the die exceeds the thermal-shutdown temperature of $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, OUT is internally disconnected from IN and the supply current decreases to $8 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ (latch off). The switch is now operating in one of its off states. The switch-off state also occurs when driving ON low, thus reducing the supply current (shutdown) to $0.01 \mu \mathrm{~A}$. Table 1 illustrates the ON/OFF state of the MAX4772/MAX4773 current-limit switches.

## $\overline{\text { FLAG }}$ Indicator

The MAX4772/MAX4773 feature a fault output (FLAG). Whenever an overcurrent condition is encountered, the MAX4772 latches FLAG low and turns the switch off. The MAX4773 latches FLAG low and keeps it low until the overcurrent conditon is removed. During this time, the switch cycles on and off in the autoretry mode.


Figure 3. MAX4772 Power-Up Sequence (VSEL and VIN Rise Simultaneous/y)

When the overcurrent condition is removed, $\overline{\mathrm{FLAG}}$ deasserts and the switch turns on (Figure 4).
$\overline{F L A G}$ is an open-drain output transistor and requires an external pullup resistor from FLAG to IN. During shutdown (ON is low), the pulldown on FLAG output is released in order to limit power dissipation. FLAG goes low when any of the following conditions occur:

- The die temperature exceeds the thermal-shutdown temperature limit of $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.
- The device is in current limit for more than the faultblanking period.
- The switch is in autoretry.

Autoretry (MAX4773) When the forward or reverse current-limit threshold is exceeded, tBLANK timer begins counting (Figure 4). The timer resets if the overcurrent condition disappears before tBLANK has elapsed. A retry time delay (tRETRY) is started immediately after tBLANK has elapsed and during that time, the switch is latched off and FLAG asserts. At the end of treTRY, the switch is turned on again. If the fault still exists, the cycle is repeated. If the fault has been removed, the switch stays on and FLAG deasserts.

Table 1. MAX4772/MAX4773 Switch Truth Table

| ON | FAULT | SWITCH ON/OFF | SUPPLY CURRENT MODE |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| Low | X | OFF | Shutdown |
| High | Thermal | OFF immediately (tBLANK period does not apply) | Latch off |
| High | Current Limit | OFF after tBLANK period has elapsed | Latch off |
|  | ON during tBLANK period, OFF during tretry period for the <br> MAX4773 cycle repeats until fault is removed | See the Autoretry section |  |

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Figure 4. MAX4773 Autoretry Fault-Blanking Diagram

The autoretry feature saves system power in the case of an overcurrent or short-circuit condition. During tBLANK, when the switch is on, the supply current is at the current limit. During tRETRY, when the switch is off, the current through the switch is zero. Instead of observing the full load current, the switch sees the equivalent load current times duty cycle or ISUPPLY $=$ ILOAD $\times$ tBLANK/(tBLANK + tRETRY). With a typical tBLANK = 37 ms and typical tRETRY $=555 \mathrm{~ms}$, the duty cycle is $6 \%$, which results in a $94 \%$ power savings over the switch being on the entire time. The duty cycle is consistent across the process and devices.

## Latch Off (MAX4772)

When the forward or reverse current-limit threshold is exceeded, tBLANK timer begins counting. The timer resets if the overcurrent condition disappears before tBLANK has elapsed. The switch is shut off and FLAG asserts if the overcurrent condition continues up to the end of the blanking time. Reset the switch by either toggling ON (Figure 5) or cycling the input voltage (Figure 5).

Fault Blanking
The MAX4772/MAX4773 feature 14 ms (min) fault blanking. Fault blanking allows current-limit faults, including momentary short-circuit faults that occur when hot swapping a capacitive load, and also ensures that no fault is issued during power-up. When a load transient causes the device to enter current limit, an internal counter starts. If the load-transient fault persists beyond the fault-blanking timeout, FLAG asserts low. Load-transient faults less than tBLANK do not cause a FLAG output assertion. Only current-limit faults are blanked.


Figure 5. MAX4773 Latch-Off Fault Blanking

A thermal fault causes $\overline{\text { FLAG }}$ to assert immediately and does not wait for the blanking time.

## Thermal Shutdown

The MAX4772/MAX4773 have a thermal-shutdown feature to protect the devices from overheating. The switch turns off and $\overline{F L A G}$ goes low immediately (no fault blanking) when the junction temperature exceeds $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The switch with autoretry turns back on when the device temperature drops approximately $15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The switch with the latch off requires ON cycling.

## Applications Information <br> Input Capacitor

To limit the input-voltage drop during momentary output short-circuit conditions, connect a capacitor from IN to GND. A $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ceramic capacitor is adequate for most applications; however, higher capacitor values further

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reduce the voltage drop at the input and are recommended for lower voltage applications.

## Output Capacitance

Connect a $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ capacitor from OUT to GND. This capacitor helps prevent inductive parasitics from pulling OUT negative during turn-off, thus preventing the MAX4772/MAX4773 from tripping erroneously. If the load capacitance is too large, then current may not have enough time to charge the capacitance and the device assumes that there is a faulty load condition. The maximum capacitive load value that can be driven from OUT is obtained by the following formula:

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\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{MAX}}<\frac{\mathrm{I}_{\text {FWD_MIN }} \times \text { t }_{\text {BLANK_MIN }}}{\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}}
$$

## Layout and Thermal Dissipation

To optimize the switch response time to output shortcircuit conditions, it is very important to keep all traces as short as possible to reduce the effect of undesirable parasitic inductance. Place input and output capacitors as close as possible to the device (no more than 5 mm ). IN and OUT pins must be connected with short traces to the power bus.

During normal operation, the power dissipation is small and the package temperature change is minimal. If the output is continuously shorted to ground at the maximum supply voltage, the operation of the switches with the autoretry option does not cause problems because the total power dissipated during the short is scaled by the duty cycle:

$$
P_{M A X}=\frac{V_{\text {IN_MAX }} \times \text { IOUT_MAX } \times t_{\text {BLANK }}}{t_{\text {RETRY }}+t_{\text {BLANK }}}=211 \mathrm{~mW}
$$

where V IN $=4.5 \mathrm{~V}$, IOUT $=750 \mathrm{~mA}$, tBLANK $=14 \mathrm{~ms}$, and tRETRY $=210 \mathrm{~ms}$.
Attention must be given to the MAX4772 where the latch-off condition must be manually reset by toggling ON from high to low. If the latch-off time duration is not sufficiently high, it is possible for the device to reach the thermal-shutdown threshold and never be able to turn the device on until it cools down.

## Chip Information

TRANSISTOR COUNT: 2539
PROCESS: BiCMOS

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