19-1254; Rev 0; 7/97 **EVALUATION KIT MANUAL**

FOLLOWS DATA SHEET

MAXIM 3.3V/5V or Adjustable, Step-Up/Down DC-DC Converters

_______________General Description

The MAX710/MAX711 integrate a step-up DC-DC converter with a linear regulator to provide step-up/down voltage conversion. They are optimized for battery applications where the input varies above and below the regulated output voltage. They have an input range from $+1.8V$ to $+11V$. Typical efficiency when boosting battery inputs is 85%.

The MAX710/MAX711 can be configured for minimum noise or optimum efficiency. Shutdown control turns off the part completely, disconnecting the input from the output ($I_{SHDN} = 0.2\mu A$). Standby control turns off only the step-up converter and leaves the low-power linear regulator active ($I_Q = 7\mu A$).

The MAX710 has a preset 3.3V or 5V output voltage. The MAX711 has an adjustable output that can be set from +2.7V to +5.5V with two resistors. Both devices come in 16-pin narrow SO packages.

________________________Applications

Single-Cell, Lithium-Powered Portable Devices Digital Cameras

- 2- to 4-Cell AA Alkaline Hand-Held Equipment
- 3.3V and Other Low-Voltage Systems
- 2-, 3-, and 4-Cell Battery-Powered Equipment

Battery-Powered Devices with AC Input Adapters

__________Typical Operating Circuit

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- ♦ **Step-Up/Down Voltage Conversion**
- ♦ **+1.8V to +11V Input Range**
- ♦ **Output: 5V/250mA at VIN = 1.8V 5V/500mA at VIN = 3.6V**
- ♦ **No External FETs Required**
- ♦ **Load Disconnected from Input in Shutdown**
- ♦ **Battery Drain:**
	- **200µA No-Load (VIN = 4V) 7µA in Standby 0.2µA when Off**
- ♦ **Low-Noise and High-Efficiency Modes**

______________Ordering Information

__________________Pin Configuration

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ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

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

(V_{PS} = 5.6V, STBY = PS, C_{REF} = 0.1µF, C_{OUT} = 4.7µF, T_A = -40°C to +85°C, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at TA = +25°C.) (Note 1)

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Note 1: Specifications at -40°C are guaranteed by design, not production tested.

Note 2: Guaranteed by design (see Table 1).

Note 3: The LBO comparator provides the correct result as long as one input is within the specified input range.

__Typical Operating Characteristics

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____________________________Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

2ms/div

A: V_{OUT} = 3.3V (100mV/div, AC COUPLED), N/ \overline{E} = GND B: V_{IN} = 2V TO 4V, I_{OUT} = 100mA

 V_{IN} = 2.5V, I_{OUT} = 20mA, N/\bar{E} = GND V_{OUT} = 5V (20mV/div, AC COUPLED), I_{OUT} = 20mA

START-UP DELAY

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A: V_{OUT} = 3.3V (50mV/div, AC COUPLED), N/ \overline{E} = PS $B: I_{OUT} = 10mA TO 100mA$

OUTPUT RIPPLE (LOW-NOISE MODE)

 $V_{IN} = 2.5V$, $I_{OUT} = 20mA$, $N/\bar{E} = PS$

200µs/div

V_{OUT} = 5V (20mV/div, AC COUPLED), I_{OUT} = 20mA

TURN-OFF DELAY

_______________Detailed Description

The MAX710/MAX711 integrate a step-up DC-DC converter with a linear regulator to provide step-up/down voltage conversion. The step-up switch-mode regulator contains an N-channel power MOSFET switch. It also shares a precision voltage reference with a linear regulator that contains a P-channel MOSFET pass element (Figure 1).

Step-Up Operation

A pulse-frequency-modulation (PFM) control scheme with a constant 1µs off-time and variable on-time controls the N-channel MOSFET switch. The N-channel switch turns off when the part reaches the peak current limit or the 4µs maximum on-time. The ripple frequency is a function of load current and input voltage.

Step-Down Operation

The low-dropout linear regulator consists of a reference, an error amplifier, and a P-channel MOSFET. The reference is connected to the error amplifier's inverting input. The error amplifier compares this reference with the selected feedback voltage and amplifies the difference. The difference is conditioned and applied to the P-channel pass transistor's gate.

Operating Configurations

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The MAX710/MAX711 have several operating configurations to minimize noise and optimize efficiency for different input voltage ranges. These configurations are accomplished via the N/E input, which controls operation of the on-chip linear regulator.

With N/E low, the linear regulator behaves as a 0.7 Ω (at 5V output) PFET switch when the IC is boosting, and as a conventional linear regulator when $V_{IN} > V_{OUT}$. This provides optimum boost efficiency, but the PFET does little to reject boost-converter output ripple. With N/E high, boost ripple rejection is optimized by maintaining headroom (VFV, typically 0.5V at 5V output) across the linear regulator. Boost mode efficiency is then about 10% lower than with N/E high.

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Figure 1. Functional Diagram

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In high-efficiency mode (N/E **= low), the maximum input voltage is limited to 7V.** This voltage limitation is easily overcome, however, by configuring the LBO output to change modes based on input voltage, allowing an 11V maximum input with high-efficiency configurations. Four operating configurations are described in Table 1 and in the following subsections.

Table 1. Operating Configurations

Configuration 1: High Efficiency, 7V Max VIN With N/E connected to GND, when the IC boosts, the linear regulator operates only as a switch, with minimum forward drop, until $V_{IN} > V_{OUT}$ (where linear regulation begins). This configuration is limited to no more

than 7V input, but provides best efficiency for batteryonly operation or low-voltage AC adapter usage.

Configuration 2: High Efficiency, $V_{BAT} < V_{OUT}$ In this configuration, N/\overline{E} is driven high by LBO when V_{IN} > V_{OUT} (Figure 2a). When V_{IN} < V_{OUT} , the IC boosts, and the linear regulator operates as a switch, with minimum forward drop. When $V_{IN} > V_{OUT}$, the linear regulator operates with VFV forward drop, while VPS increases by VFV so that OUT maintains regulation. VFV is set inside the IC to approximately 0.5V (at 5V VOUT). When V_{IN} is only slightly higher than V_{OUT} , conversion efficiency is poorer than in configuration 1, so configuration 2 is most suitable when the battery voltage is less than V_{OUT} , but the AC adapter output is greater than VOUT.

Figure 2a. High-Efficiency Operating Configuration for VBATT < VOUT

Figure 2b. High-Efficiency Operating Configuration for $V_{BATT} < 6.5V$

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Configuration 3: High Efficiency, 11V, VBATT < 6.5V In this configuration, N/\overline{E} is driven high by LBO when V_{IN} > 6.5V (Figure 2b). When V_{IN} < V_{OUT} , the IC boosts, and the linear regulator operates as a switch, with minimum forward drop. When $V_{IN} > V_{OUT}$, linear regulation begins. When $V_{IN} > 6.5V$ (set by R5 and R6), the linear regulator forces a minimum forward drop of VFV (typically 0.5V at 5V VOUT) as LBO drives N/E high. This transition is not seen at the output, since the linear regulator already has an input-output voltage difference of 6.5V - 5V. Efficiency with VIN slightly higher than VOUT is equal to that of configuration 1, so configuration 3 is most suitable when the battery voltage may be near VOUT. This hookup has no functional shortcomings compared with configuration 2, except that two additional resistors (R5 and R6) are needed.

Configuration 4: Low Noise

With N/\overline{E} connected to PS, when the IC is boosting, the linear regulator operates with V_{FV} forward voltage (typically 0.5V at 5V V_{OUT} for optimum noise rejection. Linear regulation occurs when $V_{IN} > V_{OUIT} + V_{FV}$. The VFV voltage differential results in boost efficiency typically 10% lower than with the high-efficiency configurations.

ILIM

The current-limit-select input, ILIM, selects between the two peak current limits: $1.5A$ (ILIM = GND) and $0.8A$ $(ILIM = PS)$. If the application requires 200 mA or less from the MAX710/MAX711, select 0.8A. The lower peak current limit permits the use of smaller, low-cost inductors. The ILIM input is internally diode clamped to GND and PS, and should not be connected to signals outside this range.

Shutdown and Standby Modes

Grounding SHDN turns off the MAX710/MAX711 completely, disconnecting the input from the output. Tie SHDN to PS for normal operation.

The MAX710/MAX711 have a standby mode that shuts down the step-up converter. The linear regulator remains on with a 7µA (typ) LDO quiescent current. Connect STBY to ground to enter standby mode; otherwise, connect STBY to PS.

__________________Design Procedure

Output Voltage Selection

For the MAX710, you can obtain a 3.3V or 5V output voltage by tying 3/5 to GND or PS. Efficiency is typically 85% over a 2mA to 250mA load range. The device is bootstrapped, with power derived from the step-up voltage output (at PS). Under all load conditions, the

Figure 3. MAX711 Adjustable Output Voltage

MAX710/MAX711 typically start up with a 1V input. If the battery voltage exceeds the programmed output voltage, the output will linear regulate down to the selected output voltage.

The MAX711's adjustable output voltage is set by two resistors, R1 and R2 (Figure 3), which form a voltage divider between the output and FB. Use the following equation to determine the resistor values:

 $R1 = R2$ [(VOUT / VREF) - 1]

where
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V_{REF} = 1.25V
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Since the input bias current at FB has a maximum value of 50nA, R1 and R2 can be large with no significant accuracy loss. Choose R2 in the 100kΩ to 1MΩ range and calculate R1 using the formula above. For 1% error, the current through R1 should be at least 100 times FB's bias current.

Low-Battery Comparator

The MAX710/MAX711 contain a comparator for lowbattery detection. If the voltage at LBI+ falls below that at LBI- (typically connected to REF), LBO goes low. Hysteresis is typically 50mV. Set the low-battery monitor's threshold with two resistors, R3 and R4 (Figure 2), using the following equation:

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R3 = R4 [(V_{LBT} / V_{LBI} - 1]
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Table 2. Component Selection

where VLBT is the desired threshold of the low-battery detector and VLBI- is the voltage applied to the inverting input of the low-battery comparator. Since LBI current is less than 50nA, R3 and R4 can be large (typically 100kΩ to 1MΩ), minimizing input supply loading. If the low-battery comparator is not used, connect LBI+ to PS and LBI- to REF, leaving LBO unconnected.

Inductor Selection

A 22µH inductor value performs well in most MAX710/MAX711 applications. The inductance value is not critical, however, since the MAX710/MAX711 work with inductors in the 18µH to 100µH range. Smaller inductance values typically offer a smaller size for a given series resistance, allowing the smallest overall circuit dimensions. Circuits using larger inductance values exhibit higher output current capability and larger physical dimensions for a given series resistance. The inductor's incremental saturation current rating should be greater than the peak switch-current limit, which is 1.5A for ILIM = GND and 0.8A for ILIM = PS. However, it is generally acceptable to bias most inductors into saturation by as much as 20%, although this slightly reduces efficiency. The inductor's DC resistance significantly affects efficiency. See Tables 2 and 3 for a list of suggested inductors and suppliers.

Capacitor Selection

A 100µF, 16V, 0.1Ω equivalent series resistance (ESR), surface-mount tantalum (SMT) output filter capacitor, C2, typically exhibits 50mV output ripple when stepping up from 2V to 5V at 100mA. Smaller capacitors (down to 10µF with higher ESRs) are acceptable for light loads or in applications that can tolerate higher output ripple. The ESR of both bypass and filter capacitors affects efficiency and output ripple. Output voltage ripple is the product of the peak inductor current and the output capacitor's ESR. Use low-ESR capacitors for best performance, or connect two or more filter capacitors in parallel. Low-ESR, SMT capacitors are currently available from Sprague (595D series) and AVX (TPS series). Sanyo OS-CON organic-semiconductor through-hole capacitors also exhibit very low ESR and are especially useful for operation at cold temperatures. The output capacitor, C3, needs to be only 4.7µF to maintain linear regulator stability. See Tables 2 and 3 for a list of suggested capacitors and suppliers.

Rectifier Diode

For optimum performance, use a switching Schottky diode. Refer to Tables 2 and 3 for the suggested diode and supplier.

__________Applications Information

The MAX710/MAX711 high-frequency operation makes PC layout important for minimizing ground bounce and noise. Keep the IC's GND pin and the ground leads of C1 and C2 (Figure 1) less than 0.2in. (5mm) apart. Also keep all connections to the FB and LX pins as short as possible. To maximize output power and efficiency and minimize output ripple voltage, use a ground plane and solder the IC's GND pin directly to the ground plane.

Table 3. Component Suppliers

___________________Chip Information

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TRANSISTOR COUNT: 661 SUBSTRATE CONNECTED TO GND

__Package Information

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