## 5-Channel Slim DSC Power Supplies

## General Description

The MAX1584/MAX1585 provide a complete powersupply solution for slim digital cameras. They improve performance, component count, and size compared to conventional multichannel controllers in 2-cell AA, 1-cell Li+, and dual-battery designs. On-chip MOSFETs provide up to $95 \%$ efficiency for critical power supplies, while additional channels operate with external FETs for optimum design flexibility. This optimizes overall efficiency and cost, while also reducing board space.
The MAX1584/MAX1585 include 5 high-efficiency DCDC conversion channels:

- Step-up DC-DC converter with on-chip FETs
- Step-down DC-DC converter with on-chip FETs
- Three PWM DC-DC controllers for CCD, LCD, LED, or other functions
The step-down DC-DC converter can operate directly from the battery or from the step-up output, providing boost-buck capability with a compound efficiency of up to $90 \%$. Both devices include three PWM DC-DC controllers: the MAX1584 includes two step-up controllers and one step-down controller, while the MAX1585 includes one step-up controller, one inverting controller, and one step-down controller. All DC-DC channels operate at one fixed frequency-settable from 100 kHz to 1 MHz -to optimize size, cost, and efficiency. Other features include soft-start, power-OK outputs, and overload protection. The MAX1584/MAX1585 are available in space-saving, 32-pin thin QFN packages. An evaluation kit is available to expedite designs.

Applications
Digital Cameras
PDAs
Typical Operating Circuit


Features

- Step-Up DC-DC Converter, 95\% Efficient
- Step-Down DC-DC Converter Operate from Battery for 95\% Efficient Step-Down 90\% Efficient Boost-Buck with Step-Up
- Three Auxiliary PWM DC-DC Controllers
- No Transformers (MAX1585)
- Up to 1 MHz Operating Frequency
- 1mA Shutdown Mode
- Internal Soft-Start Control
- Overload Protection
- Compact 32-Pin Thin QFN Package (5mm x 5mm)

Ordering Information

| PART | TEMP RANGE | PIN- <br> PACKAGE | AUX <br> FUNCTIONS |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| MAX1584ETJ | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 32 Thin QFN <br> $5 \mathrm{~mm} \times 5 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 2 step-up <br> 1 step-down |
| MAX1585ETJ | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 32 Thin QFN <br> $5 \mathrm{~mm} \times 5 \mathrm{~mm}$ | 1 step-up <br> 1 step-down <br> 1 inverting |

Pin Configuration


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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

| PV, PVSU, PVSD, SDOK, AUX1OK, SCF, ON_, FB_ to |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| PGND to GND................................................-0.3V to +0.3V |  |
| INDL2, DL1, DL3 to GND | -0.3V to (PVSU + 0.3V) |
| DL2 to GND | -0.3V to (INDL2 + 0.3V) |
| PV to PVSU | -0.3 V to +0.3 V |
| LXSU Current (Note 1) | 3.6A |
| LXSD Current (Note 1) | 2.25A |
| REF, OSC, CC_ to GND | -0.3V to (PVSU + 0.3V) |

Continuous Power Dissipation $\left(\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ )
32-Pin Thin QFN (derate $22 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) $\ldots .1700 \mathrm{~mW}$
Operating Temperature Range ........................................ $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Junction Temperature ................................................... $65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Storage Temperature Range ............................ $300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

Continuous Power Dissipation ( $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ )
32 -Pin Thin QFN (derate $22 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) .... 1700 mW
Operating Temperature Range ........................... $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Storage Temperature Range ............................. $-65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) ................................. $+300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

Note 1: LXSU has internal clamp diodes to PVSU and PGND, and LXSD has internal clamp diodes to PVSD and PGND. Applications that forward bias these diodes should take care not to exceed the device's power dissipation limits.

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

$\left(V_{\text {PVSU }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {PV }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {PVSD }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {INDL2 }}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{A}}=\mathbf{0}^{\circ} \mathbf{C}\right.$ to $+\mathbf{8 5}{ }^{\circ} \mathbf{C}$, unless otherwise noted. .

| PARAMETER | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| GENERAL |  |  |  |  |  |
| Input Voltage Range | (Note 2) | 0.7 |  | 5.5 | V |
| Step-Up Minimum Startup Voltage | ILOAD $<1 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, startup voltage tempco is -2300ppm/ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (typ) (Note 3) |  | 0.9 | 1.1 | V |
| Shutdown Supply Current into PV | $\mathrm{PV}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 0.1 | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Supply Current into PV with Step-Up Enabled | $\mathrm{ONSU}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FBSU}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ (does not include switching losses) |  | 300 | 450 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Supply Current into PV with Step-Up and Step-Down Enabled | $\mathrm{ONSU}=\mathrm{ONSD}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FBSU}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FBSD}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ (does not include switching losses) |  | 450 | 700 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Total Supply Current from PV and PVSU with Step-Up and One AUX Enabled | $\mathrm{ONSU}=\mathrm{ON} 1=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FBSU}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FB} 2=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ (does not include switching losses) |  | 400 | 650 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| REFERENCE |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reference Output Voltage | IREF $=20 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ | 1.23 | 1.25 | 1.27 | V |
| Reference Load Regulation | $10 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ < IREF $<200 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ |  | 4.5 | 10 | mV |
| Reference Line Regulation | $2.7<\mathrm{PVSU}<5.5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 1.3 | 5 | mV |
| OSCILLATOR |  |  |  |  |  |
| OSC Discharge Trip Level | Rising edge | 1.225 | 1.25 | 1.275 | V |
| OSC Discharge Resistance | $\mathrm{OSC}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{IOSC}=3 \mathrm{~mA}$ |  | 52 | 80 | $\Omega$ |
| OSC Discharge Pulse Width |  |  | 150 |  | ns |
| OSC Frequency | ROSC $=47 \mathrm{k} \Omega, \mathrm{CosC}=100 \mathrm{pF}$ |  | 500 |  | kHz |
| STEP-UP DC-DC CONVERTER |  |  |  |  |  |
| Step-Up Startup-to-Normal Operating Threshold | Rising edge or falling edge (Note 4) | 2.30 | 2.5 | 2.65 | V |
| Step-Up Startup-to-Normal Operating Threshold Hysteresis |  |  | 80 |  | mV |

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

( $\mathrm{V}_{\text {PVSU }}=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{PV}}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {PVSD }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {INDL2 }}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{A}}=\mathbf{0}^{\circ} \mathbf{C}$ to $+\mathbf{8 5}{ }^{\circ} \mathbf{C}$, unless otherwise noted. .

| PARAMETER | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Step-Up Voltage Adjust Range |  | 3.0 |  | 5.5 | V |
| Start Delay of ONSD, ON1, ON2, ON3 after SU in Regulation |  |  | 1024 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OSC } \\ & \text { cycles } \end{aligned}$ |
| FBSU Regulation Voltage |  | 1.231 | 1.25 | 1.269 | V |
| FBSU to CCSU <br> Transconductance | FBSU = CCSU | 80 | 135 | 185 | $\mu \mathrm{S}$ |
| FBSU Input Leakage Current | FBSU $=1.25 \mathrm{~V}$ | -100 | +1 | +100 | nA |
| Idle Mode ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Trip Level | (Note 6) |  | 150 |  | mA |
| Current-Sense Amplifier Transresistance |  |  | 0.275 |  | V/A |
| Step-Up Maximum Duty Cycle | FBSU $=1 \mathrm{~V}$ | 80 | 85 | 90 | \% |
| PVSU Leakage Current | V LX $=0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{PVSU}=5.5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 0.1 | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| LXSU Leakage Current | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {LXSU }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=5.5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 0.1 | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Switch On-Resistance | N channel |  | 95 | 150 | $\mathrm{m} \Omega$ |
|  | P channel |  | 150 | 250 |  |
| N-Channel Current Limit |  | 2.4 | 2.8 | 3.2 | A |
| P-Channel Turn-Off Current |  |  | 20 |  | mA |
| Startup Current Limit | PVSU $=1.8 \mathrm{~V}$ ( Note 5) |  | 450 |  | mA |
| Startup tofF | $\mathrm{PVSU}=1.8 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 700 |  | ns |
| Startup Frequency | $\mathrm{PVSU}=1.8 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 200 |  | kHz |
| STEP-DOWN DC-DC CONVERTER |  |  |  |  |  |
| Step-Down Output Voltage Adjust Range | PVSD must be greater than output (Note 7) | 1.25 |  | 5.00 | V |
| FBSD Regulation Voltage |  | 1.231 | 1.25 | 1.269 | V |
| FBSD to CCSD Transconductance | FBSD $=$ CCSD | 80 | 135 | 185 | $\mu \mathrm{S}$ |
| FBSD Input Leakage Current | FBSD $=1.25 \mathrm{~V}$ | -100 | +0.1 | +100 | nA |
| Idle Mode Trip Level | (Note 6) |  | 100 |  | mA |
| Current-Sense Amplifier Transresistance |  |  | 0.5 |  | V/A |
| LXSD Leakage Current | VLXSD $=0$ to 3.6V, PVSU $=3.6 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 0.1 | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Switch On-Resistance | N channel |  | 95 | 150 | $\mathrm{m} \Omega$ |
|  | P channel |  | 150 | 250 |  |
| P-Channel Current Limit |  | 0.65 | 0.8 | 0.95 | A |
| N-Channel Turn-Off Current |  |  | 20 |  | mA |
| Soft-Start Interval |  |  | 2048 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OSC } \\ & \text { cycles } \end{aligned}$ |
| SDOK Output Low Voltage | 0.1 mA into $\overline{\text { SDOK }}$ |  | 0.01 | 0.1 | V |
| $\overline{\text { SDOK Leakage Current }}$ | ONSU = GND |  | 0.01 | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

( $\mathrm{V}_{\text {PVSU }}=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{PV}}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {PVSD }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {INDL2 }}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{A}}=\mathbf{0}^{\circ} \mathbf{C}$ to $+\mathbf{8 5}{ }^{\circ} \mathbf{C}$, unless otherwise noted. .

| PARAMETER | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AUX1, 2, 3 DC-DC CONTROLLERS |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum Duty Cycle | $F B_{-}=1 \mathrm{~V}$ | 80 | 85 | 90 | \% |
| FB1 and FB3 Regulation Voltage | FB_ = CC_ | 1.231 | 1.25 | 1.269 | V |
| FB2 (MAX1584) Regulation Voltage | FB_ = CC_ | 1.231 | 1.25 | 1.269 | V |
| FB2 (MAX1585) (Inverter) Regulation Voltage | FB_ = CC_ | -0.01 | 0 | +0.01 | V |
| FB_ to CC_ Transconductance | FB_ = CC_ | 80 | 135 | 185 | $\mu \mathrm{S}$ |
| FB_ Input Leakage Current | FB_ $=1.25 \mathrm{~V}$ | -100 | +1 | +100 | nA |
| DL_ Driver Resistance | Output high or low |  | 2.5 | 10 | $\Omega$ |
| DL_ Drive Current | Sourcing or sinking |  | 0.5 |  | A |
| Soft-Start Interval |  |  | 4096 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OSC } \\ & \text { cycles } \end{aligned}$ |
| $\overline{\text { AUX1OK Output Low Voltage }}$ | $0.1 \mathrm{~mA} \mathrm{into} \overline{\text { AUX1OK }}$ |  | 0.01 | 0.1 | V |
| $\overline{\text { AUX1OK Leakage Current }}$ | ONSU = GND |  | 0.01 | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| OVERLOAD AND THERMAL PROTECTION |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overload-Protection Fault Delay |  |  | 100,000 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OSC } \\ & \text { cycles } \end{aligned}$ |
| SCF Leakage Current | ONSU = PVSU, FBSU $=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 0.1 | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| SCF Output Low Voltage | 0.1 mA into SCF |  | 0.01 | 0.1 | V |
| Thermal Shutdown |  |  | +160 |  | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Thermal Hysteresis |  |  | 20 |  | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LOGIC INPUTS |  |  |  |  |  |
| ON_ Input Low Level | 1.1 V < PVSU < 1.8 V (ONSU only) |  |  | 0.2 | V |
|  | 1.8 V < PVSU<5.5V |  |  | 0.4 |  |
| ON_ Input High Level | 1.1V < PVSU < 1.8V (ONSU only) | $\begin{gathered} V_{\text {PVSU }}- \\ 0.2 \end{gathered}$ |  |  | V |
|  | 1.8 V < PVSU < 5.5 V | 1.6 |  |  |  |
| ON_ Impedance to GND | ON_= 3.35 V |  | 330 |  | k $\Omega$ |

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

$\left(\mathrm{V}_{\text {PVSU }}=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{PV}}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {PVSD }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {INDL2 }}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{A}}=\mathbf{- 4 0 ^ { \circ }} \mathbf{C}\right.$ to $+\mathbf{8 5}{ }^{\circ} \mathbf{C}$, unless otherwise noted. $)($ Note 8$)$

| PARAMETER | CONDITIONS | MIN | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| GENERAL |  |  |  |  |
| Input Voltage Range | (Note 2) | 0.7 | 5.5 | V |
| Shutdown Supply Current into PVSU | PVSU $=3.6 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Supply Current into PV with Step-Up Enabled | $\mathrm{ONSU}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FBSU}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ (does not include switching losses) |  | 450 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Supply Current into PV with Step-Up and Step-Down Enabled | $\mathrm{ONSU}=\mathrm{ONSD}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FBSU}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FBSD}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ (does not include switching losses) |  | 700 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Total Supply Current from PV and PVSU with Step-Up and One AUX Enabled | $\mathrm{ONSU}=\mathrm{ON} 1=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FBSU}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{FB} 2=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ <br> (does not include switching losses) |  | 650 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| REFERENCE |  |  |  |  |
| Reference Output Voltage | $I_{\text {REF }}=20 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ | 1.225 | 1.275 | V |
| Reference Load Regulation | $10 \mu \mathrm{~A}<\mathrm{I}$ REF $<200 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ |  | 10 | mV |
| Reference Line Regulation | 2.7 V < PVSU < 5.5V |  | 5 | mV |
| OSCILLATOR |  |  |  |  |
| OSC Discharge Trip Level | Rising edge | 1.225 | 1.275 | V |
| OSC Discharge Resistance | OSC $=1.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{IOSC}=3 \mathrm{~mA}$ |  | 80 | $\Omega$ |
| STEP-UP DC-DC CONVERTER |  |  |  |  |
| Step-Up Startup-to-Normal Operating Threshold | Rising edge or falling edge (Note 4) | 2.30 | 2.65 | V |
| Step-Up Voltage Adjust Range |  | 3.0 | 5.5 | V |
| FBSU Regulation Voltage |  | 1.225 | 1.275 | V |
| FBSU to CCSU Transconductance | FBSU = CCSU | 80 | 185 | $\mu \mathrm{S}$ |
| FBSU Input Leakage Current | FBSU $=1.25 \mathrm{~V}$ | -100 | +100 | nA |
| Step-Up Maximum Duty Cycle | FBSU $=1 \mathrm{~V}$ | 80 | 90 | \% |
| PVSU Leakage Current | V LX $=0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{PVSU}=5.5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| LXSU Leakage Current | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {LXSU }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=5.5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Switch On-Resistance | N channel |  | 150 | $\mathrm{m} \Omega$ |
|  | P channel |  | 250 |  |
| N-Channel Current Limit |  | 2.4 | 3.2 | A |
| STEP-DOWN DC-DC CONVERTER |  |  |  |  |
| Step-Down Output Voltage Adjust Range | PVSD must be greater than output (Note 7) | 1.25 | 5.00 | V |

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)
(VPVSU $=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{PV}}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {PVSD }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {INDL2 }}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{A}}=\mathbf{- 4 0 ^ { \circ }} \mathbf{C}$ to $\mathbf{+ 8 5}{ }^{\circ} \mathbf{C}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Note 8)

| PARAMETER | CONDITIONS | MIN | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FBSD Regulation Voltage |  | 1.225 | 1.275 | V |
| FBSD to CCSD <br> Transconductance | FBSD $=$ CCSD | 80 | 185 | $\mu \mathrm{S}$ |
| FBSD Input Leakage Current | $F B S D=1.25 \mathrm{~V}$ | -100 | +100 | nA |
| LXSD Leakage Current | VLXSD $=0$ to 3.6V, PVSU $=3.6 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Switch On-Resistance | N channel |  | 150 | $\mathrm{m} \Omega$ |
|  | P channel |  | 250 |  |
| P-Channel Current Limit |  | 0.65 | 0.95 | A |
| SDOK Output Low Voltage | 0.1 mA into $\overline{\text { SDOK }}$ |  | 0.1 | V |
| SDOK Leakage Current | ONSU = GND |  | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| AUX1, 2, 3 DC-DC CONTROLLERS |  |  |  |  |
| Maximum Duty Cycle | $F B_{-}=1 \mathrm{~V}$ | 80 | 90 | \% |
| FB1 and FB3 Regulation Voltage | FB_ = CC_ | 1.225 | 1.275 | V |
| FB2 (MAX1584) Regulation Voltage | $F B_{-}=C_{-}$ | 1.225 | 1.275 | V |
| FB2 (MAX1585) (Inverter) Regulation Voltage | FB_ = CC_ | -0.01 | +0.01 | V |
| FB_ to CC_ Transconductance | FB_ = CC_ | 80 | 185 | $\mu \mathrm{S}$ |
| FB_ Input Leakage Current | $\mathrm{FB}_{-}=1.25 \mathrm{~V}$ | -100 | +100 | nA |
| DL_ Driver Resistance | Output high or low |  | 10 | $\Omega$ |
| AUX1OK Output Low Voltage | 0.1 mA into $\overline{\text { AUX1OK }}$ |  | 0.1 | V |
| AUX1OK Leakage Current | ONSU = GND |  | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| OVERLOAD AND THERMAL PROTECTION |  |  |  |  |
| SCF Leakage Current | ONSU = PVSU, FBSU $=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| SCF Output Low Voltage | 0.1 mA into SCF |  | 0.1 | V |
| LOGIC INPUTS |  |  |  |  |
| ON_ Input Low Level | 1.1V < PVSU < 1.8V (ONSU only) |  | 0.2 | V |
|  | 1.8 V < PVSU < 5.5V |  | 0.4 |  |
| ON_ Input High Level | 1.1V < PVSU < 1.8V (ONSU only) | VPVSU - 0 |  | V |
|  | 1.8 V < PVSU < 5.5V | 1.6 |  |  |

Note 2: The MAX1584/MAX1585 are powered from the step-up output (PVSU). An internal low-voltage startup oscillator drives the step-up starting at about 0.9 V until PVSU reaches approximately 2.5 V . When PVSU reaches 2.5 V , the main control circuitry takes over. Once the step-up is up and running, it can maintain operation with very low input voltages; however, output current is limited.
Note 3: Since the device is powered from PVSU, a Schottky rectifier, connected from the input battery to PVSU, is required for lowvoltage startup, or if PVSD is connected to VIN instead of PVSU.
Note 4: The step-up regulator is in startup mode until this voltage is reached. Do not apply full load current during startup. A powerOK output can be used with an external PFET to gate the load until the step-up is in regulation. See the Applications Information section.

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

$\left(V_{\text {PVSU }}=V_{P V}=V_{P V S D}=V_{\text {INDL2 }}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{A}}=\mathbf{- 4 0 ^ { \circ }} \mathbf{C}\right.$ to $+\mathbf{8 5}{ }^{\circ} \mathbf{C}$, unless otherwise noted.) (Note 8)
Note 5: The step-up current limit in startup refers to the LXSU switch current limit, not an output current limit.
Note 6: The idle mode current threshold is the transition point between fixed-frequency PWM operation and idle mode operation (where switching rate varies with load). The specification is given in terms of inductor current. In terms of output current, the idle mode transition varies with input-output voltage ratio and inductor value. For the step-up, the transition output current is approximately $1 / 3$ the inductor current when stepping from 2 V to 3.3 V . For the step-down, the transition current in terms of output current is approximately $3 / 4$ the inductor current when stepping down from 3.3 V to 1.8 V .
Note 7: Operation in dropout ( $100 \%$ duty cycle) can only be maintained for 100,000 OSC cycles before the output is considered faulted, triggering global shutdown.
Note 8: Specifications to $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ are guaranteed by design, not production tested.

Typical Operating Characteristics
(Circuit of Figure 1, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.)


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C_Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)
(Circuit of Figure 1, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.)


REFERENCE VOLTAGE
vs. TEMPERATURE



MINIMUM STARTUP VOLTAGE
vs. LOAD CURRENT (VSU)


REFERENCE VOLTAGE
vs. REFERENCE LOAD CURRENT


SWITCHING FREQUENCY
vs. TEMPERATURE


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## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

(Circuit of Figure 1, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.)



STEP-UP LOAD-TRANSIENT RESPONSE


STEP-UP STARTUP RESPONSE


STEP-DOWN LOAD-
TRANSIENT RESPONSE


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| PIN | NAME | FUNCTION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | CC1 | AUX1 Controller Compensation Node. Connect a series resistor-capacitor from CC1 to GND to compensate the converter control loop. This pin is actively driven to GND in shutdown, overload, and thermal limit. See the AUX Compensation section. |
| 2 | FB1 | AUX1 Controller Feedback Input. The feedback threshold is 1.25 V . This pin is high impedance in shutdown. |
| 3 | PGSD | Step-Down Power Ground. Connect all PG_ pins together and to GND with short traces as close as possible to the IC. |
| 4 | LXSD | Step-Down Converter Switching Node. Connect to the inductor of the step-down converter. LXSD is high impedance in shutdown. |
| 5 | PVSD | Step-Down Converter Input. PVSD can connect to PVSU, effectively making OUTSD a boost-buck output from the battery. Bypass to GND with a $1 \mu$ F ceramic capacitor if connected to PVSU. PVSD can also be connected to the battery but should not exceed PVSU by more than a Schottky diode forward voltage. Bypass PVSD with a $10 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ceramic capacitor when connecting to the battery input. A $10 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ internal resistance connects PVSU and PVSD. |
| 6 | ONSD | Step-Down Converter On/Off Control Input. Logic high = on; however, turn-on is locked out until the stepup has reached regulation. This pin has an internal $330 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ pulldown resistance to GND. |
| 7 | CCSD | Step-Up Converter Compensation Node. Connect a series resistor-capacitor from CCSD to GND to compensate the converter control loop. This pin is actively driven to GND in shutdown, overload, and thermal limit. See the Step-Down Compensation section. |
| 8 | FBSD | Step-Down Converter Feedback Input. Connect a resistive voltage-divider from OUTSD to FBSD to GND. The FBSD feedback threshold is 1.25 V . This pin is high impedance in shutdown. |
| 9 | ON1 | AUX1 Controller On/Off Input. Logic high = on; however, turn-on is locked out until 1024 OSC cycles after the step-up has reached regulation. This pin has an internal $330 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ pulldown resistance to GND. |
| 10 | ON2 | AUX2 Controller On/Off Input. Logic high = on; however, turn-on is locked out until 1024 OSC cycles after the step-up has reached regulation. This pin has an internal $330 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ pulldown resistance to GND. |
| 11 | ON3 | AUX3 Controller On/Off Input. Logic high = on; however, turn-on is locked out until 1024 OSC cycles after the step-up has reached regulation. This pin has an internal $330 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ pulldown resistance to GND. |
| 12 | ONSU | Step-Up Converter On/Off Control. Logic high = on. All other ON_ pins are locked out until 1024 OSC cycles after the step-up DC-DC converter output has reached its final value. This pin has an internal $330 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ pulldown resistance to GND. |
| 13 | REF | Reference Output. Bypass REF to GND with a $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ or greater capacitor. The maximum allowed load on REF is $200 \mu \mathrm{~A}$. REF is actively pulled to GND when all converters are shut down. |
| 14 | FBSU | Step-Up Converter Feedback Input. Connect a resistive voltage-divider from PVSU to FBSU to GND. The FBSU feedback threshold is 1.25 V . This pin is high impedance in shutdown. |
| 15 | CCSU | Step-Up Converter Compensation Node. Connect a series resistor-capacitor from CCSU to GND to compensate the converter control loop. This pin is actively driven to GND in shutdown, overload, and thermal limit. See the Step-Up Compensation section. |

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Pin Description (continued)

| PIN | NAME | FUNCTION |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 16 | $\overline{\text { AUX1OK }}$ | Open-Drain Power-OK Signal for AUX1 Controller. $\overline{\text { AUX1OK }}$ is low when the AUX1 controller has successfully completed soft-start. This pin is high impedance in shutdown, overload, and thermal limit. |  |
| 17 | $\overline{\text { SDOK }}$ | Open-Drain Power-OK Signal for Step-Down Converter. $\overline{\text { SDOK }}$ is low when the step-down has successfully completed soft-start. This pin is high impedance in shutdown, overload, and thermal limit. |  |
| 18 | SCF | Short-Circuit Flag, Active-Low, Open-Drain Output. SCF is high impedance when overload protection occurs and during startup. SCF can drive high-side PFET switches connected to one or more outputs to completely disconnect the load when the channel turns off in response to a logic command or an overload. See the Status Outputs ( $\overline{S D O K}, \overline{A U X 1 O K}, S C F$ ) section. |  |
| 19 | OSC | Oscillator Control. Connect a timing capacitor from OSC to GND and a timing resistor from OSC to PVSU (or other DC voltage) to set the oscillator frequency between 100 kHz and 1 MHz . See the Setting the Switching Frequency section. This pin is high impedance in shutdown. |  |
| 20 | PGSU | Step-Up Power Ground. Connect all PG_ pins together and to GND with short traces as close to the IC as possible. |  |
| 21 | LXSU | Step-Up Converter Switching Node. Connect to the inductor of the step-up converter. LXSU is high impedance in shutdown. |  |
| 22 | PVSU | Power Output of the Step-Up DC-DC Converter. Connect the output filter capacitor from PVSU to PGSU. PVSU can also power other converter channels. Connect PVSU to PV at the IC. |  |
| 23 | FB2 | AUX2 Controller Feedback Input. This pin is high impedance in shutdown. | MAX1585 (AUX2 inverter): The FB2 feedback threshold is OV. Connect a resistive voltage-divider from the output voltage to FB2 to REF to set the output voltage. |
|  |  |  | MAX1584 (AUX2 step-up): The FB2 feedback threshold is 1.25 V . Connect a resistive voltage-divider from the output voltage to FB2 to GND to set the output voltage. |
| 24 | CC2 | AUX2 Controller Compensation Node. Connect a series resistor-capacitor from CC2 to GND to compensate the control loop. CC2 is actively driven to GND in shutdown and thermal limit. See the AUX Compensation section. |  |
| 25 | INDL2 | Voltage Input for the AUX2 Gate Driver. The voltage at INDL2 sets the high gate-drive voltage. | MAX1585 (AUX2 inverter): Connect INDL2 to the external $P$ channel MOSFET source (typically the battery) to ensure the $P$ channel is completely off when D2 swings high. |
|  |  |  | MAX1584 (AUX2 step-up): Connect INDL2 to PVSU for optimum N -channel gate drive. |
| 26 | PV | IC Power Input. Connect PVSU and | PV together. |
| 27 | DL2 | AUX2 Controller Gate-Drive Output. DL2 drives between INDL2 and GND. | MAX1585: DL2 drives a PFET in an inverter configuration. In shutdown, overload, and thermal limit, DL2 is driven high. |
|  |  |  | MAX1584: DL2 drives an N-channel FET in a boost/flyback configuration. In shutdown, overload, and thermal limit, DL2 is driven low. |

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Pin Description (continued)

| PIN | NAME | FUNCTION |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 28 | DL3 | AUX3 Step-Down Controller Gate-Drive Output. Connect to the gate of a P-channel MOSFET. DL3 swings <br> from GND to PVSU and supplies up to 500mA. DL3 is driven to PVSU in shutdown and thermal limit. |
| 29 | DL1 | AUX1 Step-Up Controller Gate-Drive Output. Connect to the gate of an N-channel MOSFET. DL1 swings <br> from GND to PVSU and supplies up to 500mA. DL1 is driven to GND in shutdown and thermal limit. |
| 30 | GND | Analog Ground. Connect to all PG_ pins as close to the IC as possible. |
| 31 | CC3 | AUX3 Step-Down Controller Compensation Node. Connect a series resistor-capacitor from CC3 to FB3 to <br> compensate the converter control loop. This pin is actively driven to GND in shutdown, overload, and <br> thermal limit. See the AUX Compensation section. |
| 32 | FB3 | PWM Step-Up Controller 3 Feedback Input. Connect a resistive voltage-divider from the output voltage to <br> FB3 to GND to set the output voltage. The FB3 feedback threshold is 1.25V. This pin is high impedance in <br> shutdown. |
| PAD | EP | Exposed Underside Metal Pad. This pad must be soldered to the PC board to achieve package thermal <br> and mechanical ratings. There is no internal metal or bond wire physically connecting the exposed pad to <br> the GND pin(s). Connecting the exposed pad to ground does not remove the requirement for a good <br> ground connection to the appropriate IC pins. |

## Detailed Description

The MAX1584/MAX1585 are complete power-conversion ICs for slim digital still cameras. They can accept input from a variety of sources, including single-cell Li+ batteries and 2-cell alkaline or NiMH batteries, as well as systems designed to accept both battery types. The MAX1584/MAX1585 include five DC-DC converter channels to generate all required voltages (Figure 2 shows a functional diagram):

- Synchronous-rectified step-up DC-DC converter with on-chip MOSFETs-Typically supplies 3.3 V for main system power or 5 V to power other DC-DC converters for boost-buck designs.
- Synchronous-rectified step-down DC-DC converter with on-chip MOSFETs-Typically supplies 1.8 V for the DSP core. Powering the step-down from the step-up output provides efficient (up to $90 \%$ ) boostbuck functionality that supplies a regulated output when the battery voltage is above or below the output voltage. The step-down can also be powered from the battery if there is sufficient headroom.
- AUX1 step-up controller-Typically used for 15 V to bias one or more of the LCD, CCD, and LED backlights.
- AUX2 step-up controller (MAX1584)-Typically supplies remaining bias voltages with either a multi-output flyback transformer or a boost converter with charge-pump inverter. Alternately, can power white LEDs for LCD backlighting.
- AUX2 inverter controller (MAX1585)-Typically supplies negative CCD bias when high current is needed for large pixel-count CCDs.
- AUX3 step-down controller-Typically steps 5 V generated at PVSU down to 3.3 V for system logic in boost-buck designs.


## Step-Up DC-DC Converter

The step-up DC-DC switching converter is typically used to generate a 5 V output voltage from a 1.5 V to 4.5 V battery input, but any voltage from VIN to 5 V can be set. An internal NFET switch and a PFET synchronous rectifier allow conversion efficiencies as high as $95 \%$. Under moderate to heavy loading, the converter operates in a low-noise PWM mode with constant frequency and modulated pulse width. Switching harmonics generated by fixed-frequency operation are consistent and easily filtered. Efficiency is enhanced under light ( $<75 \mathrm{~mA}$ typ) loading, by an idle mode that switches the step-up only as needed to service the load. In this mode, the maximum inductor current is 250 mA for each pulse.

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Figure 1. MAX1584/MAX1585 Typical Application for 2-Cell AA or 1-Cell Li+ Battery

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Figure 2. MAX1584/MAX1585 Functional Diagram

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## Step-Down DC-DC Converter

The step-down DC-DC converter is optimized for generating low output voltages (down to 1.25 V ) at high efficiency. Output voltages lower than 1V can be set by adding an additional resistor (see the Applications Information section). The step-down runs from the voltage at PVSD. This pin can be connected directly to the battery if sufficient headroom exists to avoid dropout; otherwise, PVSD can be powered from the output of another converter. The step-down can also operate with the step-up for boost-buck operation.
Under moderate to heavy loading, the converter operates in a low-noise PWM mode with constant frequency and modulated pulse width. Efficiency is enhanced under light ( $<75 \mathrm{~mA}$ typ) loading by assuming an idle mode during which the step-down switches only as needed to service the load. In this mode, the maximum inductor current is 100 mA for each pulse. The stepdown $D C-D C$ is inactive until the step-up $D C-D C$ is in regulation.
The step-down also features an open-drain $\overline{\text { SDOK out- }}$ put that goes low when the step-down output is in regulation. SDOK can be used to drive an external MOSFET switch that gates 3.3 V power to the processor after the core voltage is in regulation. This connection is shown in Figure 13.

## Boost-Buck Operation

The step-down input can be powered from the output of the step-up. By cascading these two channels, the step-down output can maintain regulation even as the battery voltage falls below the step-down output voltage. This is especially useful when trying to generate 3.3 V from 1 -cell $\mathrm{Li}+$ inputs, or 2.5 V from 2 -cell alkaline or NiMH inputs, or when designing a power supply that must operate from both $\mathrm{Li}+$ and alkaline/NiMH inputs. Compound efficiencies of up to $90 \%$ can be achieved when the step-up and step-down are operated in series.
Note that the step-up output supplies both the step-up load and the step-down input current when the stepdown is powered from the step-up. The step-down input current reduces the available step-up output current for other loads.

## Direct Battery Step-Down Operation

The step-down converter can also be operated directly from the battery as long as the voltage at PVSD does not exceed PVSU by more than a Schottky diode forward voltage. When using this connection, connect an external Schottky diode from the battery input to PVSU. On the MAX1584/MAX1585, there is an internal 10k $\Omega$ resistance from PVSU to PVSD. This adds a small addi-
tional current drain (of approximately (VPVSU - VPVSD) / $10 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ ) from PVSU when PVSD is not connected directly to PVSU.
Step-down direct battery operation improves efficiency for the step-down output (up to $95 \%$ ), but restricts the upper limit of the output voltage to 200 mV less than the minimum battery voltage. In 1-cell Li+ designs (with a 2.7 V min ), the output can be set up to 2.5 V . In 2 -cell alkaline or NiMH designs, the output can be limited to 1.5 V or 1.8 V , depending on the minimum-allowed cell voltage.
The step-down can only be briefly operated in dropout since the MAX1584/MAX1585 fault protection detects the out-of-regulation condition and activates after 100,000 OSC cycles ( 200 ms at fosc $=500 \mathrm{kHz}$ ). At that point, all MAX1584/MAX1585 channels shut down.

## AUX1, AUX2, and AUX3 DC-DC Controllers

The three auxiliary controllers operate as fixed-frequency voltage-mode PWM controllers. They do not have internal MOSFETs, so output power is determined by external components. The controllers regulate output voltage by modulating the pulse width of the DL_ drive signal to an external MOSFET switch. The MAX1584 contains two step-up/flyback controllers (AUX1 and AUX2) and one step-down controller (AUX3). The MAX1585 contains one step-up controller (AUX1), one inverting controller (AUX2), and one step-down controller (AUX3).
Figure 3 shows a functional diagram of the AUX controllers. The inverting and step-down controllers differ from the step-up controllers only in the gate-drive logic and FB polarity and threshold. The sawtooth oscillator signal at OSC governs timing. At the start of each cycle, DL_ turns on the external MOSFET switch. For step-up controllers, DL_ goes high, while for inverting and step-down controllers, DL_ goes low (to turn on PFETs). The external MOSFET then turns off when the internally level-shifted sawtooth rises above CC_ or when the maximum duty cycle is exceeded. The switch remains off until the start of the next cycle. A transconductance error amplifier forms an integrator at CC_ so that high DC loop gain and accuracy can be maintained. In step-up and step-down controllers, the FB_ threshold is 1.25 V , and higher FB_ voltages reduce the MOSFET duty cycle. In inverting controllers, the FB_ threshold is OV, and lower (more negative) FB_ voltages reduce the MOSFET duty cycle.
Auxiliary controllers do not start until the step-up DC-DC output is in regulation. If the step-up, step-down, or any of the auxiliary controllers remains faulted for 100,000

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Figure 3. AUX Controller Functional Diagrams

OSC cycles, then all MAX1584/MAX1585 channels latch off.

Maximum Duty Cycle
The MAX1584/MAX1585 auxiliary PWM controllers have a guaranteed maximum duty cycle of $80 \%$. In boost designs that employ continuous current, the maximum duty cycle limits the boost ratio so that:

## 1 - VIN / VOUT $\leq 80 \%$

With discontinuous inductor current, no such limit exists for the input/output ratio since the inductor has time to fully discharge before the next cycle begins.

## AUX1

AUX1 can be used for conventional DC-DC boost and flyback designs (Figure 5). Its output (DL1) is designed

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to drive an N-channel MOSFET. Its feedback (FB1) threshold is 1.25 V .


#### Abstract

AUX2 In the MAX1584, AUX2 is identical to AUX1. In the MAX1585, AUX2 is an inverting controller that generates a regulated negative output voltage, typically for CCD and LCD bias. This is handy in height-limited designs where transformers might not be desired.


The AUX2 MOSFET driver (DL2) in the MAX1585 is designed to drive P-channel MOSFETs. DL2 swings from GND to PVSU. See Figure 8 for a typical inverter configuration.

## AUX3 DC-DC Step-Down Controller

AUX3 can be used for conventional DC-DC step-down (buck) designs (Figure 1). Its output (DL3) is designed to drive a P-channel MOSFET and swings from GND to PVSU. Its feedback (FB3) threshold is 1.25 V .

## Master/Slave Configurations

The MAX1584/MAX1585 support the MAX1801 slave PWM controllers that obtain input power, a voltage reference, and an oscillator signal directly from the MAX1584/MAX1585 master. The master/slave configuration allows channels to be easily added and minimizes system cost by eliminating redundant circuitry. The slaves also control the harmonic content of noise since their operating frequency is synchronized to that of the MAX1584/MAX1585 master converter. A MAX1801 connection to the MAX1584/MAX1585 is shown in Figure 12.

## Status Outputs ( $\overline{\text { SDOK, }} \overline{\text { AUX1OK, SCF) }}$

 The MAX1584/MAX1585 include three versatile status outputs that can provide information to the system. All are open-drain outputs and can directly drive MOSFET switches to facilitate sequencing, disconnect loads during overloads, or perform other hardware-based functions.SDOK pulls low when the step-down has successfully completed soft-start. $\overline{\text { SDOK }}$ goes high impedance in shutdown, overload, and thermal limit. A typical use for $\overline{\text { SDOK }}$ is to enable 3.3 V power to the CPU I/O after the CPU core is powered up (Figure 13), thus providing safe sequencing in hardware without system intervention.
$\overline{\mathbf{A U X}} \mathbf{1} \overline{\mathbf{O K}}$ pulls low when the AUX1 controller has successfully completed soft-start. $\overline{A U X 1 O K}$ goes high impedance in shutdown, overload, and thermal limit. A typical use for $\overline{\mathrm{AUX1OK}}$ is to drive a P-channel MOSFET that gates 5 V power to the CCD until the +15 V CCD bias (generated by AUX1) is powered up (Figure 14).

SCF goes high (high impedance, open drain) when overload protection occurs. Under normal operation, SCF pulls low. SCF can drive a high-side P-channel MOSFET switch that can disconnect a load during power-up or when a channel turns off in response to a logic command or an overload. Several connections are possible for SCF. One is shown in Figure 15, where SCF provides load disconnect for the step-up on fault and power-up.

Soft-Start
The MAX1584/MAX1585 channels feature a soft-start function that limits inrush current and prevents excessive battery loading at startup by ramping the output voltage of each channel up to the regulation voltage. This is accomplished by ramping the internal reference inputs to each channel error amplifier from OV to the 1.25 V reference voltage over a period of 4096 oscillator cycles (16ms at 500 kHz ) when initial power is applied or when a channel is enabled. Soft-start is not included in the step-up converter in order to avoid limiting startup capability with loading.
The step-down soft-start ramp takes half the time (2048 clock cycles) of the other channel ramps. This allows the step-down and AUX3 output (when set to 3.3 V ) to track each other and rise at nearly the same dV/dt rate on power-up. Once the step-down output reaches its regulation point ( 1.5 V or 1.8 V typ), the AUX3 output (3.3V typ) continues to rise at the same ramp rate.

## Fault Protection

The MAX1584/MAX1585 have robust fault and overload protection. After power-up, the device is set to detect an out-of-regulation state that could be caused by an overload or short. If any DC-DC converter channel (step-up, step-down, or any of the auxiliary controllers) remains faulted for 100,000 clock cycles (200ms at 500 kHz ), then all outputs latch off until the step-up DCDC converter is reinitialized by the ONSU pin or by cycling the input power. The fault-detection circuitry for any channel is disabled during its initial turn-on softstart sequence.
An exception to the standard fault behavior is that there is no 100,000 clock-cycle delay in entering the fault state if the step-up output (PVSU) is dragged below its 2.5V UVLO threshold or is shorted. The step-up UVLO immediately triggers and shuts down all channels. The step-up then continues to attempt to start. If the step-up output short remains, these attempts do not succeed since PVSU remains near ground.
If a soft-short or overload remains on PVSU, the startup oscillator switches the internal N -channel MOSFET, but fault is retriggered if regulation is not achieved by the

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Figure 4. Oscillator Functional Diagram
end of the soft-start interval. If PVSU is dragged below the input, the overload is supplied by the body diode of the internal synchronous rectifier or by a Schottky diode connected from the battery to PVSU. If desired, this overload current can be interrupted by a P-channel MOSFET controlled by SCF, as shown in Figure 15.

Reference The MAX1584/MAX1585 have internal 1.250V references. Connect a $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ceramic bypass capacitor from REF to GND within 0.2in ( 5 mm ) of the REF pin. REF can source up to $200 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ and is enabled when ONSU is high and PVSU is above 2.5 V . The auxiliary controllers and MAX1801 slave controllers (if connected) each sink up to $30 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ REF current during startup. If the application requires that REF be loaded beyond $200 \mu A$, buffer REF with a unity-gain amplifier or op amp.

## Oscillator

All MAX1584/MAX1585 DC-DC converter channels employ fixed-frequency PWM operation. The operating frequency is set by an RC network at the OSC pin. The range of usable settings is 100 kHz to 1 MHz . When MAX1801 slave controllers are added, they operate at the frequency set by OSC.
The oscillator uses a comparator, a 150ns one-shot, and an internal NFET switch in conjunction with an external timing resistor and capacitor (Figure 4). When the switch is open, the capacitor voltage exponentially approaches the step-up output voltage from zero with a time constant given by the product of ROSC and COSC. The comparator output switches high when the capacitor voltage reaches $V_{\text {REF }}$ (1.25V). In turn, the one-shot


Figure 5. +15V LCD Bias with Basic Boost Topology
activates the internal MOSFET switch to discharge the capacitor within a 150ns interval, and the cycle repeats. The oscillation frequency changes as the main output voltage ramps upward following startup. The oscillation frequency is then constant once the main output is in regulation.

## Low-Voltage Startup Oscillator

The MAX1584/MAX1585 internal control and referencevoltage circuitry receive power from PVSU and do not function when PVSU is less than 2.5 V . To ensure lowvoltage startup, the step-up employs a low-voltage startup oscillator that activates at 0.9 V if a Schottky rectifier is connected from VBATT to PVSU (1.1V with no Schottky rectifier). The startup oscillator drives the internal N-channel MOSFET at LXSU until PVSU reaches 2.5 V , at which point voltage control is passed to the current-mode PWM circuitry.
Once in regulation, the MAX1584/MAX1585 operate with inputs as low as 0.7 V since internal power for the IC is supplied by PVSU. At low input voltages, the stepup can have difficulty starting into heavy loads (see the Minimum Startup Voltage vs. Load Current graph in the Typical Operating Characteristics section); however, this can be remedied by connecting an external Pchannel load switch driven by SCF so the load is not connected until the PVSU is in regulation (Figure 15).

## ON_Control Inputs

The step-up converter activates with a high input at ONSU. The step-down and auxiliary DC-DC converters 1 , 2, and 3 activate with a high input at ONSD, ON1, ON2, and ON3, respectively. The step-down and auxil-

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iary converters and cannot be activated until PVSU is in regulation. For automatic startup, connect ON_ to PVSU or a logic level greater than 1.6 V .

## Design Procedure

## Setting the Switching Frequency

Choose a switching frequency to optimize external component size or circuit efficiency for the particular application. Typically, switching frequencies between 400 kHz and 500 kHz offer a good balance between component size and circuit efficiency-higher frequencies generally allow smaller components, and lower frequencies give better conversion efficiency. The switching frequency is set with an external timing resistor (ROSC) and capacitor (COSC). At the beginning of a cycle, the timing capacitor charges through the resistor until it reaches $V_{\text {REF }}$. The charge time, $\mathrm{t}_{1}$, is as follows:

$$
\mathrm{t}_{1}=-\operatorname{RoSC} \times \operatorname{CosC} \times \ln (1-1.25 / \text { VPVSU })
$$

The capacitor voltage then decays to zero over time t2 $=150$ ns. The oscillator frequency is as follows:

$$
\mathrm{fOSC}^{2}=1 /\left(\mathrm{t}_{1}+\mathrm{t}_{2}\right)
$$

fosc can be set from 100 kHz to 1 MHz . Choose Cosc between 22 pF and 470pF. Determine Rosc:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\text { ROSC }= & (150 n s-1 / \text { fOSC }) /(\operatorname{COSC} \times \ln [1-1.25 \\
& \text { VPVSU }])
\end{aligned}
$$

See the Typical Operating Characteristics section for fosc vs. ROSC using different values of COSC.

## Setting Output Voltages

The MAX1584/MAX1585 step-up and step-down converters and the AUX1 controllers have resistoradjustable output voltages. When setting the voltage for all channels except AUX2 on the MAX1585, connect a resistive voltage-divider from the output voltage to the corresponding FB_ input. The FB_input bias current is less than 100 nA, so choose the low-side (FB_-to-GND) resistor ( $R_{L}$ ) to be $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ or less. Then calculate the high-side (output-to-FB_) resistor (RH):

$$
R_{H}=R_{L}\left[\left(V_{\text {OUT }} / 1.25\right)-1\right]
$$

AUX2 is an inverter on the MAX1585, so the FB2 threshold on the MAX1585 is OV. To set the MAX1585 AUX2 negative output voltage, connect a resistive volt-age-divider from the negative output to the FB2 input, and then to REF. The FB2 input bias current is less than 100nA, so choose the REF-side (FB2-to-REF) resistor (RREF) to be $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ or less. Then calculate the top-side (negative output-to-FB2) resistor:
RTOP = RREF (-VOUT(AUX2) / 1.25)

## General Filter-Capacitor Selection

The input capacitor in a DC-DC converter reduces current peaks drawn from the battery or other input power source and reduces switching noise in the controller. The impedance of the input capacitor at the switching frequency should be less than that of the input source so high-frequency switching currents do not pass through the input source.
The output capacitor keeps output ripple small and ensures control-loop stability. The output capacitor must also have low impedance at the switching frequency. Ceramic, polymer, and tantalum capacitors are suitable, with ceramic exhibiting the lowest ESR and high-frequency impedance.
Output ripple with a ceramic output capacitor is approximately:

$$
\text { VRIPPLE }=\operatorname{IL}(\text { PEAK })[1 /(2 \pi \times \text { fOSC } \times \text { COUT })]
$$

If the capacitor has significant ESR, the output ripple

$$
\left.\operatorname{V}_{R I P P L E}(E S R)=I_{L(P E A K}\right) \times E S R
$$

Output capacitor specifics are also discussed in each converter's Compensation section.

## Step-Up Component Selection

The external components required for the step-up are an inductor, an input and output filter capacitor, and a compensation RC.
The inductor is typically selected to operate with continuous current for best efficiency. An exception might be if the step-up ratio, (VOUT / VIN), is greater than $1 /(1-$ DMAX), where Dmax is the maximum PWM duty factor of $80 \%$.
When using the step-up channel to boost from a low input voltage, loaded startup is aided by connecting a Schottky diode from the battery to PVSU. See the Minimum Startup Voltage vs. Load Current graph in the Typical Operating Characteristics section.

## Step-Up Inductor

In most step-up designs, a reasonable inductor value (LIDEAL) can be derived from the following equation, which sets continuous peak-to-peak inductor current at half the DC inductor current:

$$
\text { LIDEAL }=[2 \mathrm{~V} \operatorname{IN}(\mathrm{MAX}) \times \mathrm{D}(1-\mathrm{D})] /(\mathrm{IOUT} \times \mathrm{fOSC})
$$

where $D$ is the duty factor given by:

$$
\mathrm{D}=1-(\mathrm{V} \text { IN } / \text { VOUT })
$$

Given LIDEAL, the consistent peak-to-peak inductor current is $0.5 \times$ IOUT / ( $1-\mathrm{D}$ ). The peak inductor current is as follows:

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$$
\operatorname{IIND}(\mathrm{PK})=1.25 \times \operatorname{IOUT} /(1-\mathrm{D})
$$

Inductance values smaller than LIDEAL can be used to reduce inductor size; however, if much smaller values are used, inductor current rises and a larger output capacitance might be required to suppress output ripple.

## Step-Up Compensation

The inductor and output capacitor are usually chosen first in consideration of performance, size, and cost. The compensation resistor and capacitor are then chosen to optimize control-loop stability. In some cases, it helps to readjust the inductor or output capacitor value to get optimum results. For typical designs, the component values in the circuit of Figure 1 yield good results.
The step-up converter employs current-mode control, thereby simplifying the control-loop compensation. When the converter operates with continuous inductor current (typically the case), a right-half-plane zero appears in the loop-gain frequency response. To ensure stability, the control-loop gain should cross over (drop below unity gain) at a frequency (fc) much less than that of the right-half-plane zero.

The relevant characteristics for step-up channel compensation are as follows:

- Transconductance (from FBSU to CCSU), gmEA (135 $\mu \mathrm{S}$ )
- Current-sense amplifier transresistance, RCS (0.3V/A)
- Feedback regulation voltage, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{FB}}$ (1.25V)
- Step-up output voltage, VSU, in V
- Output load equivalent resistance, RloAD, in $\Omega=$ VSUOUT / ILOAD
The key steps for step-up compensation are as follows:

1) Place $f_{C}$ sufficiently below the right-half-plane zero (RHPZ) and calculate CC.
2) Select Rc based on the allowed load-step transient. Rc sets a voltage delta on the Cc pin that corresponds to load-current step.
3) Calculate the output-filter capacitor (COUT) required to allow the RC and Cc selected.
4) Determine if CP is required (if calculated to be $>10 \mathrm{pF}$ ).

For continuous conduction, the right-half-plane zero frequency ( $f$ RHPZ) is given by the following:

```
fRHPZ = VSUOUT (1-D)2}/(2\pi\timesL\timesILOAD
```

where $D=$ the duty cycle $=1-(\mathrm{VIN} / \mathrm{VOUT}), \mathrm{L}$ is the inductor value, and ILOAD is the maximum output current. Typically, target crossover (fC) for $1 / 6$ of the RHPZ. For example, if we assume fosc $=500 \mathrm{kHz}, \mathrm{V}$ IN $=2.5 \mathrm{~V}$, VOUT $=5 \mathrm{~V}$, and IOUT $=0.5 \mathrm{~A}$, then RLOAD $=$ $10 \Omega$. If we select $L=4.7 \mu H$, then:
$f_{R H P Z}=5(2.5 / 5)^{2} /\left(2 \pi \times 4.7 \times 10^{-6} \times 0.5\right)=84.65 \mathrm{kHz}$
Choose $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{C}}=14 \mathrm{kHz}$. Calculate CC:

$$
\begin{aligned}
C \mathrm{C} & =\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{FB}} / \mathrm{VOUT}^{2}\right)\left(\mathrm{RLOAD} / \mathrm{RCS}_{\mathrm{C}}\right)(\mathrm{gM} / 2 \pi \times \mathrm{fC})(1-\mathrm{D}) \\
& =(1.25 / 5)(10 / 0.3) \times(135 \mu \mathrm{~S} /(6.28 \times 14 \mathrm{kHz})(2 / 5) \\
& =6.4 \mathrm{nF}
\end{aligned}
$$

Choose 6.8nF.
Now select RC so transient-droop requirements are met. As an example, if $4 \%$ transient droop is allowed, the input to the error amplifier moves $0.04 \times 1.25 \mathrm{~V}$, or 50 mV . The error-amp output drives $50 \mathrm{mV} \times 135 \mu \mathrm{~S}$, or $6.75 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ across $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{C}}$ to provide transient gain. Since the current-sense transresistance is $0.3 \mathrm{~V} / \mathrm{A}$, the value of $\mathrm{Rc}_{\mathrm{C}}$ that allows the required load step swing is as follows:

$$
\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{C}}=0.3 \operatorname{l} \operatorname{IND}(\mathrm{PK}) / 6.75 \mu \mathrm{~A}
$$

In a step-up DC-DC converter, if LIDEAL is used, output current relates to inductor current by:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{IIND}(P K)= & 1.25 \times \operatorname{IOUT} /(1-D)=1.25 \times \text { IOUT } \times \text { VOUT } / \\
& V_{I N}
\end{aligned}
$$

So for a 500 mA output load step with V IN $=2.5 \mathrm{~V}$ and VOUT $=5 \mathrm{~V}$ :

$$
\left.R_{C}=[1.25(0.3 \times 0.5 \times 5) / 2)\right] / 6.75 \mu \mathrm{~A}=69.4 \mathrm{k} \Omega
$$

Note that the inductor does not limit the response in this case since it can ramp at $2.5 \mathrm{~V} / 4.7 \mu \mathrm{H}$, or $530 \mathrm{~mA} / \mu \mathrm{s}$.
The output filter capacitor is then chosen so the COUT RLOAD pole cancels the RC Cc zero:

$$
\text { COUT } \times \text { RLOAD }=R_{C} \times C C
$$

For the example:

$$
\text { COUT }=68 \mathrm{k} \Omega \times 6.8 \mathrm{nF} / 10 \Omega=46 \mu \mathrm{~F}
$$

Choose $47 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ for CoUT. If the available CoUT is substantially different from the calculated value, insert the available COUT value into the above equation and recalculate Rc. Higher substituted Cout values allow a higher RC, which provides higher transient gain and consequently less transient droop.
If the output filter capacitor has significant ESR, a zero occurs at the following:

$$
\text { ZESR }=1 /(2 \pi \times \text { COUT } \times \text { RESR })
$$

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If $Z_{E S R}>\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{C}}$, it can be ignored, as is typically the case with ceramic output capacitors. If ZESR is less than $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{C}}$, it should be cancelled with a pole set by capacitor Cp connected from CCSU to GND:

$$
\mathrm{CP}=\mathrm{COUT} \times \text { RESR } / \mathrm{Rc}
$$

If $C P$ is calculated to be $<10 \mathrm{pF}$, it can be omitted.

## Step-Down Component Selection

Step-Down Inductor
The external components required for the step-down are an inductor, input and output filter capacitors, and a compensation RC network.
The MAX1585/1585 step-down converter provides best efficiency with continuous inductor current. A reasonable inductor value (LIDEAL) can be derived from the following:

$$
\text { LIDEAL }=\left[2\left(V_{\text {IN }}\right) \times D(1-\mathrm{D})\right] / \text { IOUT } \times \text { fOSC }
$$

which sets the peak-to-peak inductor current at half the $D C$ inductor current. $D$ is the duty cycle:

$$
\mathrm{D}=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{OUT}} / \mathrm{V} \text { IN }
$$

Given LIDEAL, the peak-to-peak inductor current is $0.5 \times$ IOUT. The absolute peak inductor current is $1.25 \times$ IOUT. Inductance values smaller than LIDEAL can be used to reduce inductor size; however, if much smaller values are used, inductor current rises and a larger output capacitance may be required to suppress output ripple. Larger values than LIDEAL can be used to obtain higher output current, but with typically larger inductor size.

Step-Down Compensation
The relevant characteristics for step-down compensation are as follows:

- Transconductance (from FBSD to CCSD), gmEA (135 $\mu$ S)
- Current-sense amplifier transresistance, RCS (0.6V/A)
- Feedback regulation voltage, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{FB}}(1.25 \mathrm{~V})$
- Step-down output voltage, VSD, in V
- Output load equivalent resistance, RloAd, in $\Omega=V_{S D} /$ LLOAD
The key steps for step-down compensation are as follows:

1) Set the compensation RC zero to cancel the RLOAD Cout pole.
2) Set the loop crossover below $1 / 10$ the switching frequency.
If we assume $\mathrm{VIN}=3.5 \mathrm{~V}$, $\mathrm{VOUT}=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$, and IOUT $=$ 250 mA , then RLOAD $=6 \Omega$.
If we select foSC $=500 \mathrm{kHz}$ and $\mathrm{L}=22 \mu \mathrm{H}$,
choose $\mathrm{f} C=24 \mathrm{kHz}$ and calculate CC :

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{C}} & =\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{FB}} / \mathrm{VOUT}^{\left(R_{\text {LOAD }} / R_{C S}\right)(\mathrm{gm} / 2 \pi \times \mathrm{fC})}\right. \\
& =(1.25 / 1.5)(6 / 0.6) \times(135 \mu \mathrm{~S} /(6.28 \times 40 \mathrm{kHz})) \\
& =4.5 \mathrm{nF}
\end{aligned}
$$

Choose 4.7nF.
Now select Rc so transient-droop requirements are met. For example, if $4 \%$ transient droop is allowed, the input to the error amplifier moves $0.04 \times 1.25 \mathrm{~V}$, or 50 mV . The error-amp output drives $50 \mathrm{mV} \times 135 \mu \mathrm{~S}$, or $6.75 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ across $R_{C}$ to provide transient gain. Since the current-sense transresistance is $0.6 \mathrm{~V} / \mathrm{A}$, the value of $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{C}}$ that allows the required load step swing is as follows:

$$
\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{C}}=0.6 \times \operatorname{lind}(\mathrm{PK}) / 6.75 \mu \mathrm{~A}
$$

In a step-down DC-DC converter, If LIDEAL is used, output current relates to inductor current by the following:

$$
\operatorname{IIND}(P K)=1.25 \times \mathrm{IOUT}
$$

So for a 250 mA output load step with V IN $=3.5 \mathrm{~V}$ and VOUT $=1.5 \mathrm{~V}$ :

$$
R C=(1.25 \times 0.6 \times 0.25) / 6.75 \mu \mathrm{~A}=27.8 \mathrm{k} \Omega
$$

Choose $27 \mathrm{k} \Omega$.
The inductor does somewhat limit the response in this case since it ramps at (VIN - VOUT) / $22 \mu \mathrm{H}$, or (3.5-1.5) / $22 \mu \mathrm{H}=90 \mathrm{~mA} / \mu \mathrm{s}$.
The output filter capacitor is then chosen so the COUT RLOAD pole cancels the Rc Cc zero:

$$
\text { COUT } \times R_{L O A D}=R_{C} \times C C
$$

For the example:

$$
\text { COUT }=27 \mathrm{k} \Omega \times 4.7 \mathrm{nF} / 6 \Omega=21 \mu \mathrm{~F}
$$

Choose $22 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ or greater.
If the output filter capacitor has significant ESR, a zero occurs at:

$$
Z_{E S R}=1 /(2 \pi \times \text { COUT } \times \text { RESR })
$$

If $Z_{E S R}>\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{C}}$, it can be ignored, as is typically the case with ceramic output capacitors. If $Z_{E S R}$ is less than fC , it should be cancelled with a pole set by capacitor CP connected from CCSD to GND:

$$
\mathrm{CP}=\mathrm{COUT} \times \mathrm{RESR}^{2} / \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{C}}
$$

If CP is calculated to be $<10 \mathrm{pF}$, it can be omitted.

## AUX Controller Component Selection

 External MOSFETMAX1584/MAX1585 AUX1(step-up) controllers drive external logic-level N-channel MOSFETs. AUX3 (stepdown) controllers drive P-channel MOSFETs. AUX2 (step-up) on the MAX1584 drives an N channel, while AUX2 (inverting) on the MAX1585 drives a P channel.

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Significant MOSFET selection parameters are as follows:

- On-resistance (RDS(ON))
- Maximum drain-to-source voltage (VDS(MAX))
- Total gate charge ( $Q_{G}$ )
- Reverse transfer capacitance (CRSS)

DL1 and DL3 swing between PVSU and GND. DL2 swings between INDL2 and GND. Use a MOSFET with on-resistance specified at or below the DL_ drive voltage. The gate charge, $Q_{G}$, includes all capacitance associated with charging the gate and helps to predict MOSFET transition time between on and off states. MOSFET power dissipation is a combination of onresistance and transition losses. The on-resistance loss is as follows:

$$
\text { PRDSON }=\mathrm{D} \times \mathrm{IL}^{2} \times \operatorname{RDS}(\mathrm{ON})
$$

where $D$ is the duty cycle, $I_{L}$ is the average inductor current, and RDS(ON) is the MOSFET on-resistance. The transition loss is approximately:

$$
\text { PTRANS }=(\text { VOUT } \times \operatorname{lL} \times \text { fosc } \times \mathrm{t}) / 3
$$

where VOUT is the output voltage, $I_{L}$ is the average inductor current, fosc is the switching frequency, and t T is the transition time. The transition time is approximately $Q_{G} / I_{G}$, where $Q_{G}$ is the total gate charge, and IG is the gate-drive current ( 0.5 A typ). The total power dissipation in the MOSFET is as follows:
PMOSFET = PRDSON + PTRANS

## Diode

For most AUX applications, a Schottky diode rectifies the output voltage. Schottky low forward voltage and fast recovery time provide the best performance in most applications. Silicon signal diodes (such as 1N4148) are sometimes adequate in low-current ( $<10 \mathrm{~mA}$ ), high-voltage ( $>10 \mathrm{~V}$ ) output circuits where the output voltage is large compared to the diode forward voltage.

## AUX Compensation

The auxiliary controllers employ voltage-mode control to regulate their output voltage. Optimum compensation depends on whether the design uses continuous or discontinuous inductor current.

[^0]inductor current is more flexible loop compensation, and no maximum duty-cycle restriction on boost ratio.
To ensure discontinuous operation, the inductor must have a sufficiently low inductance to fully discharge on each cycle. This occurs when:
$$
\mathrm{L}<\left[\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}{ }^{2}\left(\mathrm{VOUT}^{-\mathrm{V} I \mathrm{~N}}\right) / \mathrm{VOUT}^{3}\right][\mathrm{RLOAD} /(2 \mathrm{fOSC})]
$$

A discontinuous current boost has a single pole at the following:

$$
\text { FP }=\left(2 \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}-\mathrm{V} \text { IN }\right) /(2 \pi \times \text { RLOAD } \times \text { COUT } \times \text { VOUT })
$$

Choose the integrator cap so the unity-gain crossover, fc, occurs at fosc / 10 or lower. For many AUX circuits, such as those powering motors, LEDs, or other loads that do not require fast transient response, it is often acceptable to overcompensate by setting $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{C}}$ at fosc / 20 or lower.
CC is then determined by the following:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{C}}= & {\left[2 \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }} \times \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} /\left(\left(2 \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}-\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}\right) \times \mathrm{V}_{\text {RAMP }}\right)\right]\left[\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }} /\right.} \\
& \left.\left(\mathrm{K}\left(\mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}-\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}\right)\right)\right]^{1 / 2}\left[\left(\mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{FB}} / \mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}\right)(\mathrm{gM} /(2 \pi \times \mathrm{fC}))\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

where:

$$
K=2 L \times f O S C / R L O A D
$$

and $V_{\text {RAMP }}$ is the internal voltage ramp of 1.25 V . The Cc Rc zero is then used to cancel the fp pole, so:

$$
\text { RC }=\text { RLOAD } \times \text { COUT } \times \text { VOUT } /\left[\left(2 V_{O U T}-V_{I N}\right) \times C C\right]
$$

## AUX Step-Up, Continuous Inductor Current

Continuous inductor current can sometimes improve boost efficiency by lowering the ratio between peak inductor current and output current. It does this at the expense of a larger inductance value that requires larger size for a given current rating. With continuous inductor-current boost operation, there is a right-halfplane zero, $Z_{R H P}$, at the following:

$$
Z_{R H P}=(1-D)^{2} R_{L O A D} /(2 \pi \times L)
$$

where ( $1-\mathrm{D}$ ) $=$ VIN / VOUT (in a boost converter)
There is a complex pole pair at the following:

$$
f_{0}=\text { VOUT } /\left[2 \pi \times \text { VIN }(L \times \text { COUT })^{1 / 2}\right]
$$

If the zero due to the output capacitor capacitance and ESR is less than $1 / 10$ the right-half-plane zero:

## ZCOUT $=1 /(2 \pi \times$ COUT $\times$ RESR $)<$ ZRHP $/ 10$

Then choose Cc so the crossover frequency fc occurs at Zcout. The ESR zero provides a phase boost at crossover:

$$
\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{C}}=\left(\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} / \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{RAMP}}\right)\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{FB}} / \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{OUT}}\right)(\mathrm{gM} /(2 \pi \times \mathrm{ZCOUT}))
$$

Choose RC to place the integrator zero, $1 /\left(2 \pi \times R_{C} \times\right.$ $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{C}}$ ), at fo to cancel one of the pole pairs:

$$
\text { RC }=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}(\mathrm{~L} \times \text { COUT })^{1 / 2} /(\text { VOUT } \times \mathrm{CC})
$$

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If $Z_{\text {COUT }}$ is not less than $Z_{R H P} / 10$ (as is typical with ceramic output capacitors) and continuous conduction is required, then cross the loop over before $\mathrm{Z}_{\mathrm{RH}}$ and fo :

$$
\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{C}}<\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{OSC}} / 10 \text {, and } \mathrm{fC}<\text { ZnHP } / 10
$$

In that case:

$$
\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{C}}=\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}} / \mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{RAMP}}\right)\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{FB}} / \mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}\right)(\mathrm{gm} /(2 \pi \times \mathrm{fC}))
$$

Place:
$1 /\left(2 \pi \times R_{C} \times C_{C}\right)=1 /\left(2 \pi \times R_{\text {LOAD }} \times\right.$ COUT $)$, so that RC $=$ RLOAD $\times$ COUT $/ C C$
Or, reduce the inductor value for discontinuous operation.

## AUX3 Step-Down Compensation

It is expected that most AUX3 step-down applications employ continuous inductor current to optimize inductor size and efficiency. To ensure stability, the controlloop gain should cross over (drop below unity gain) at a frequency ( fc ) much less than that of the switching frequency.
The relevant characteristics for voltage-mode stepdown compensation are as follows:

- Transconductance (from FB3 to CC3), gMEA ( $135 \mu \mathrm{~S}$ )
- Oscillator ramp voltage, VRAMP (1.25V)
- Feedback regulation voltage, VFB (1.25V)
- Output voltage, Vout3, in V
- Output load equivalent resistance, RloAD, in $\Omega=$ Voutz / lload
- Characteristic impedance of the LC output filter, Ro $=(\mathrm{L} / \mathrm{C})^{1 / 2}$
The key steps for AUX3 step-down compensation are as follows:

1) Place fc sufficiently below the switching frequency (fosc / 10).
2) Calculate Cout.
3) Calculate the complex pole pair due to the output LC filter.
4) Add two zeros to cancel the complex pole pair.
5) Add two high-frequency poles to optimize gain and phase margin.
If we assume V IN $=5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{VOUT}=3.3 \mathrm{~V}$, and IOUT $=$ 300 mA , then RLOAD $=11 \Omega$. If we select fosc $=500 \mathrm{kHz}$ and $L=10 \mu H$, select the crossover frequency to be 1/10 the OSC frequency:

$$
\mathrm{fC}=\mathrm{fOSC} / 10=50 \mathrm{kHz}
$$

For 3.3V output, select R14 $=30.1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ and $\mathrm{R} 15=$ $18.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega$. See the Setting Output Voltages section.

Calculate the equivalent impedance, $R_{E Q}$ :

$$
R_{E Q}=R_{S O U R C E}+R_{L}+E S R+R_{D S}(O N)
$$

where RSOURCE is the output impedance of the source (this is the output impedance of the step-up converter when the AUX3 step-down is powered from the stepup), $R_{L}$ is the inductor DC resistance, ESR is the filtercapacitor equivalent resistance, and $\operatorname{RDS}(O N)$ is the on-resistance of the external MOSFET.
The output impedance of the step-up converter (RSOURCE) is approximately $1 \Omega$ at $\mathrm{f}_{0}$. Since the sum of $R_{L}+E S R+R D S(O N)$ is small compared to $1 \Omega$, assume REQ $=1 \Omega$. Choose Cout so Ro is less than REQ / 2 :

$$
\text { COUT }>\mathrm{L} /\left[\left(\mathrm{REQ}_{\mathrm{EQ}} / 2\right)^{2}\right]=10 \mu \mathrm{H} / 0.25=40 \mu \mathrm{~F}
$$

Choose Cout $=47 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{C} 4 & =\left(\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} / \mathrm{V}_{\text {RAMP }}\right)(1 /[2 \pi \times \mathrm{R} 14 \times \mathrm{fC}]) \\
& =(5 / 1.25)(1 /[2 \pi \times 30.1 \mathrm{k} \times 50 \mathrm{kHz})=423 \mathrm{pF}
\end{aligned}
$$

Choose C4 $=470 \mathrm{pF}$.
Cancel one pole of the complex pole pair by placing the R4 C4 zero at 0.75 fo. The complex pole pair is at the following:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{f}_{0}=1 /\left[2 \pi(\mathrm{~L} \times \text { CoUT })^{1 / 2}\right] \\
&=1 /\left[2 \pi(10 \mu \mathrm{H} \times 47 \mu \mathrm{~F})^{1 / 2}\right]=7.345 \mathrm{kHz} \\
& \text { Choose R4 }=1 /(2 \pi \times \mathrm{C} 4 \times 0.75 \times \mathrm{fo}) \\
&=1 /(2 \pi \times 470 \mathrm{pF} \times 0.75 \times 7.345 \mathrm{kHz}) \\
& z
\end{aligned}
$$

Choose R4 $=61.9 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ (standard $1 \%$ value). Ensure that $\mathrm{R} 4>2 / \mathrm{gMEA}=14.8 \mathrm{k} \Omega$. If it is not greater, reselect R14 and R15.
Cancel the second pole of the complex pole pair by placing the R14 C20 zero at $1.25 \times \mathrm{fo}$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{C} 20 & =1 /\left(2 \pi \times \mathrm{R} 14 \times 1.25 \times \mathrm{fo}_{0}\right) \\
& =1 /(2 \pi \times 30.1 \mathrm{k} \times 1.25 \times 7.345 \mathrm{kHz})=576 \mathrm{pF}
\end{aligned}
$$

Choose C20 $=560 \mathrm{pF}$.
Roll off the gain below the switching frequency by placing a pole at fosc / 2 :

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{R} 22 & =1 /(2 \pi \times \mathrm{C} 20[\mathrm{fOSC} / 2]) \\
& =1 /(2 \pi \times 560 \mathrm{pF} \times 250 \mathrm{kHz})=1.137 \mathrm{k} \Omega
\end{aligned}
$$

Choose R22 $=1.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega$.
If the output filter capacitor has significant ESR, a zero occurs at the following:

$$
Z_{E S R}=1 /(2 \pi \times \text { COUT } \times \text { RESR })
$$

Use the R4 C22 pole to cancel the ESR zero:

$$
\text { C22 }=\text { Cout } \times \text { RESR } / R 4
$$

If C22 is calculated to be $<10 \mathrm{pF}$, it can be omitted.

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## MAX1585 AUX2 Inverter Compensation, Discontinuous Inductor Current

 If the load current is very low ( 40 mA or less), discontinuous current is preferred for simple loop compensation and freedom from duty-cycle restrictions on the inverter input-output ratio. To ensure discontinuous operation, the inductor must have a sufficiently low inductance to fully discharge on each cycle. This occurs when:L < [VIN / (IVOUTI + VIN)]² RLOAD / (2fosc)

A discontinuous current inverter has a single pole at:

$$
f P=2 /(2 \pi \times \text { RLOAD } \times \text { COUT })
$$

Choose the integrator cap so the unity-gain crossover, fc, occurs at fosc / 10 or lower. Note that for many AUX circuits that do not require fast transient response, it is often acceptable to overcompensate by setting fc at fosc / 20 or lower.
$\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{C}}$ is then determined by the following:

$$
\begin{aligned}
C C= & {\left[V_{I N} /\left(\mathrm{K}^{1 / 2} \times \mathrm{V}_{\text {RAMP }}\right]\left[V_{\text {REF }} /\left(\text { Vout }+\mathrm{V}_{\text {REF }}\right)\right][\mathrm{gm} /\right.} \\
& (2 \pi \times \mathrm{fc})]
\end{aligned}
$$

where:
$K=2 L \times f o s C / R L O A D$, and $V_{\text {RAMP }}$ is the internal voltage ramp of 1.25 V .
The Cc Rc zero then is used to cancel the fp pole, so:

$$
\text { RC = (RLOAD } \times \text { COUT) / (2 CC })
$$

## MAX1585 AUX2 Inverter Compensation, Continuous Inductor Current

Continuous inductor current may be more suitable for larger load currents (50mA or more). It improves efficiency by lowering the ratio between peak inductor current and output current. It does this at the expense of a larger inductance value that requires larger size for a given current rating. With continuous inductor-current inverter operation, there is a right-half-plane zero, ZRHP, at:

$$
\text { ZRHP }=\left[(1-D)^{2} / D\right] \times R L O A D /(2 \pi \times L)
$$

where $\mathrm{D}=$ IVoutl / (IVOUTI + Vin) (in an inverter).
There is a complex pole pair at:

$$
f_{0}=(1-D) /\left(2 \pi(L \times C)^{1 / 2}\right)
$$

If the zero due to the output-capacitor capacitance and ESR is less than $1 / 10$ the right-half-plane zero:

$$
\text { ZCOUT }=1 /(2 \pi \times \text { COUT } \times \text { RESR })<\text { ZRHP } / 10
$$

Then choose Cc so the crossover frequency, fc, occurs at Zcout. The ESR zero provides a phase boost at crossover.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{CC}= & \left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}} / \mathrm{V}_{\text {RAmp }}\right)\left[\mathrm{V}_{\text {REF }} /\left(\mathrm{V}_{\text {REF }}+\mathrm{IVOUT}\right)\right][\mathrm{gm} /(2 \pi \times \\
& \mathrm{ZCOUT})]
\end{aligned}
$$

Choose Rc to place the integrator zero, $1 /(2 \pi \times R c \times$ $\mathrm{C} C)$, at fo to cancel one of the pole pairs:

$$
R_{C}=(L \times \text { Cout })^{1 / 2} /[(1-D) \times C C]
$$

If Zcout is not less than ZRHP / 10 (as is typical with ceramic output capacitors) and continuous conduction is required, then cross the loop over before $\mathrm{Z}_{\mathrm{RHP}}$ and $\mathrm{fo}_{\mathrm{o}}$ :

$$
\mathrm{fc}_{\mathrm{C}}<\mathrm{ffo}^{2} \text { 10, and fc }<\text { ZRHP }^{\text {/ }} 10
$$

In that case:
$C_{C}=\left(V_{\text {IN }} / V_{\text {Ramp }}\right)\left[V_{\text {ReF }} /\left(V_{\text {ReF }}+\mid V_{\text {OUT }}\right)\right][g m /(2 \pi \times f \mathrm{fc})]$ Place:

$$
\begin{aligned}
1 /(2 \pi \times R C \times C C) & =1 /(2 \pi \times \text { RLOAD } \times \text { COUT }), \text { so that } \\
R C & =\text { RLOAD } \times \text { COUT } / C C
\end{aligned}
$$

Or, reduce the inductor value for discontinuous operation.

## Applications Information

## LED, LCD, and Other Boost Applications

Any AUX channel can be used for a wide variety of step-up applications. These include generating 5 V or some other voltage for motor or actuator drive, generating 15 V or a similar voltage for LCD bias, or generating a step-up current source to efficiently drive a series array of white LEDs to display backlighting. Figures 5 and 6 show examples of these applications.

## Multiple-Output Flyback Circuits

Some applications require multiple voltages from a single converter channel. This is often the case when generating voltages for CCD bias or LCD power. Figure 7 shows a two-output flyback configuration with AUX_. The controller drives an external MOSFET that switches the transformer primary. Two transformer secondaries generate the output voltages. Only one positive output voltage can be fed back, so the other voltages are set by the turns ratio of the transformer secondaries. The load stability of the other secondary voltages depends on transformer leakage, inductance, and winding resistance. Voltage regulation is best when the load on the secondary that is not fed back is small compared to the load on the one that is fed back. Regulation also improves if the load current range is limited. Consult the transformer manufacturer for the proper design for a given application.

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Figure 6. AUX_Channel Powering a White LED Step-Up Current Source

## Transformerless Inverter for Negative CCD Bias (AUX2, MAX1585)

On the MAX1585, AUX2 is set up to drive an external Pchannel MOSFET in an inverting configuration. DL2 drives low to turn on the MOSFET, and FB2 has inverted polarity and a OV threshold. This is useful for generating negative CCD bias without a transformer, particularly with high pixel-count cameras that have a greater negative CCD load current. Figures 1 and 8 show such a configuration for the MAX1585.

## Boost with Charge Pump for Positive and Negative Outputs

Another method of producing bipolar output voltages without a transformer is with an AUX controller and a charge-pump circuit as shown in Figure 9. When MOSFET Q1 turns off, the voltage at its drain rises to supply current to VOUT+. At the same time, C1 charges to the voltage VOUT+ through D1. When the MOSFET turns on, C1 discharges through D3, thereby charging C3 to Voutminus the drop across D3 to create roughly the same voltage as VOUT+ at VOUT-, but with inverted polarity.
If different magnitudes are required for the positive and negative voltages, a linear regulator can be used at one of the outputs to achieve the desired voltages. One such


Figure 7. +15 V and -7.5V CCD Bias with Transformer
connection is shown in Figure 10. This circuit is somewhat unique in that a positive-output linear regulator is able to regulate a negative voltage output. It does this by controlling the charge current flowing to the flying capacitor rather than directly regulating at the output.

SEPIC Boost-Buck
The MAX1584/MAX1585s' internal switch step-up and step-down can be cascaded to make a high-efficiency boost-buck converter, but it is sometimes desirable to build a second boost-buck converter with an AUX_ controller.

One type of step-up/step-down converter is the SEPIC, shown in Figure 11. Inductors L1 and L2 can be separate inductors or can be wound on a single core and coupled like a transformer. Typically, a coupled inductor improves efficiency since some power is transferred through the coupling so less power passes through the coupling capacitor (C2). Likewise, C2 should have low ESR to improve efficiency. The ripple-current rating must be greater than the larger of the input and output currents. The MOSFET (Q1) drain-source voltage rating and the rectifier (D1) reverse-voltage rating must exceed the sum of the input and output voltages. Other types of step-up/step-down circuits are a flyback converter and a step-up converter followed by a linear regulator.

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Figure 8. Regulated -7.5V Negative CCD Bias Provided by Conventional Inverter (MAX1585 Only)


Figure 9. $\pm 15 \mathrm{~V}$ Output from AUX-Driven Boost with ChargePump Inversion

Adding a MAX1801 Slave
The MAX1801 is a 6 -pin SOT slave DC-DC controller that can be connected to generate additional output voltages. It does not generate its own reference or oscillator. Instead, it uses the reference and oscillator of the MAX1584/MAX1585 (Figure 12).


Figure 10. +15 V and -7.5 V CCD Bias Without Transformer from AUX-Driven Boost and Charge Pump. A positive linear regulator (MAX1616) regulates the negative output of the charge pump.


Figure 11. SEPIC Converter for Additional Boost-Buck Channel

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Figure 12. Adding a PWM Channel with an External MAX1801 Slave Controller


Figure 13. Using $\overline{S D O K}$ to Gate 3.3V Power to CPU After the Core Voltage Is in Regulation

The MAX1801 controller operation and design are similar to that of the MAX1584/MAX1585 AUX controllers. All comments in the $A \cup X$ Controller Component


Figure 14. $\overline{A U X 1 O K}$ drives an external PFET that switches 5 V to the CCD only after the +15 V CCD bias supply is in regulation.

Selection section also apply to add-on MAX1801 slave controllers. For more details, refer to the MAX1801 data sheet.

## Using $\overline{S D O K}$ and $\overline{A U X 1} \overline{O K}$ for Power Sequencing

The SDOK goes low when the step-down reaches regulation. Some microcontrollers with low-voltage cores require the high-voltage ( 3.3 V ) I/O rail not be powered up until the core has a valid supply. The circuit in Figure 13 accomplishes this by driving the gate of a PFET connected between the 3.3 V output and the processor I/O supply.
Figure 14 shows a similar application where $\overline{\mathrm{AUX1OK}}$ gates 5 V power to the CCD only after the +15 V output is in regulation. Alternately, power sequencing can also be implemented by connecting RC networks to delay the appropriate converter ON_inputs.

Using SCF for Full-Load Startup
The SCF output goes low only after the step-up reaches regulation. It can be used to drive a P-channel MOSFET switch that turns off the load of a selected supply in the

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Figure 15. SCF controls a PFET load switch to disconnect all 5 V loads on fault. This also allows full-load startup.
event of an overload. Or, it can remove the load until the supply reaches regulation, effectively allowing fullload startup. Figure 15 shows such a connection for the step-up output.

## Setting SDOUT Below 1.25V

The step-down feedback voltage is 1.25 V . With a standard two-resistor feedback network, the output voltage can be set to values between 1.25 V and the input voltage. If a step-down output voltage less than 1.25 V is desired, it can be set by adding a third feedback resistor from FBSD to a voltage higher than 1.25 V (the stepup output is a convenient voltage for this) as shown in Figure 16.
The equation governing output voltage in Figure 16's circuit is as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
0= & {\left[\left(V_{S D}-V_{\text {FBSD }}\right) / R 1\right]+\left[\left(0-V_{\text {FBSD }}\right) / R 2\right]+\left[\left(V_{S U}-\right.\right.} \\
& \left.\left.V_{F B S D}\right) / R 3\right]
\end{aligned}
$$

where $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{SD}}$ is the output voltage, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {FBSD }}$ is 1.25 V , and $V_{S U}$ is the step-up output voltage. Any available voltage that is higher than 1.25 V can be used as the connection point for R3 in Figure 16, and for the VSD term in the equation. Since there are multiple solutions for R1, R2, and R3, the above equation cannot be written in terms of one resistor. The best method for determining resistor values is to enter the above equation into a


Figure 16. Setting PVSD for Outputs Below 1.25V
spreadsheet and test estimated resistor values. A good starting point is with $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ at R2 and R3.

## Designing a PC Board

 Good PC board layout is important to achieve optimal performance from the MAX1584/MAX1585. Poor design can cause excessive conducted and/or radiated noise.Conductors carrying discontinuous currents and any high-current path should be made as short and wide as possible. A separate low-noise ground plane containing the reference and signal grounds should connect to the power-ground plane at only one point to minimize the effects of power-ground currents. Typically, the ground planes are best joined right at the IC.
Keep the voltage-feedback network very close to the IC, preferably within 0.2 in ( 5 mm ) of the FB_ pin. Nodes with high $\mathrm{dV} / \mathrm{dt}$ (switching nodes) should be kept as small as possible and should be routed away from high-impedance nodes such as FB_. Refer to the MAX1584/MAX1585 evaluation kit data sheet for a full PC board example.

Chip Information
TRANSISTOR COUNT: 8234 PROCESS: BiCMOS

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## Package Information

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[^0]:    AUX Step-Up, Discontinuous Inductor Current When the inductor current falls to zero on each switching cycle, it is described as discontinuous. The inductor is not utilized as efficiently as with continuous current, but in light-load applications, this often has little negative impact since the coil losses may already be low compared to other losses. A benefit of discontinuous

