Features

ADVANCE INFORMATION

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1 to 3-Cell, High-Power, Low-Noise, Step-Up DC-DC Converters

_General Description

The MAX848/MAX849 boost converters set a new standard of high efficiency and high integration for noise-sensitive power-supply applications, such as portable phones and small systems with RF data links. The heart of these devices is a synchronous boost-topology regulator that generates a fixed 3.3V output (or 2.7V to 5V adjustable output) from one to three NiCd/NiMH cells or one lithium-ion cell.

Synchronous rectification provides a 5% efficiency improvement over similar non-synchronous boost regulators. In standby mode, pulse-skipping PFM operation keeps the output voltage alive with only 150µW quiescent power consumption. Fixed-frequency PWM operation ensures that the switching noise spectrum is confined to the 300kHz fundamental and its harmonics, allowing easy post-filtering noise reduction. Synchronizing to a 200kHz to 400kHz external clock will achieve even tighter noise-spectrum control.

Battery monitoring is provided by a 2-channel voltage-tofrequency type A/D converter. One channel is internally connected to the battery input, while the other channel is brought out for monitoring external voltages (AIN pin).

A latch is included for push-on/push-off control via a momentary pushbutton switch; otherwise, start-up can be automatic with battery installation. Upon power-up, an internal comparator monitors the output voltage to generate a power-good output (PWROK).

These two devices are identical, except for their lowside, N-channel MOSFET power switches: 0.5A for the MAX848, 1A for the MAX849.

Applications

Digital Cordless Phones
PCS Phones
Hand-Held Instruments
Palmtop Computers
Personal Communicators
Local 3.3V to 5V Supplies

♦ 90% Efficiency from 1.1V Input

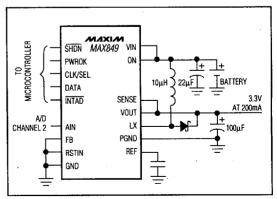
- Guaranteed 200mA Output from 1.1V Input (MAX849), (100mA for MAX848)
- ♦ Regulated 3.3V or Adjustable Output (2.7V to 5V)
- ♦ 0.8V to 5V Input Range
- ♦ Low-Power (0.15mW) Standby Mode
- ♦ Low-Noise Constant-Frequency Mode (300kHz)
- Synchronizable Switching Frequency (200kHz to 400kHz)
- ◆ 2-Channel A/D Converter with Serial Output
- ♦ Power-Good Function
- ♦ Integrated On/Off Functions

Ordering Information

PART	TEMP. RANGE	PIN-PACKAGE
MAX848CSE	0°C to +70°C	16 Narrow SO
MAX848C/D	0°C to +70°C	Dice*
MAX848ESE	-40°C to +85°C	16 Narrow SO
MAX849CSE	0°C to +70°C	16 Narrow SO
MAX849C/D	0°C to +70°C	Dice*
MAX849ESE	-40°C to +85°C	16 Narrow SO

^{*}Contact factory for dice specifications.

_Typical Operating Circuit



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