

# 2-Phase Stepper-Motor Driver

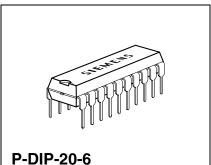
# TLE 4727

## **Bipolar IC**

## Overview

## Features

- 2 × 0.7 amp. outputs
- Integrated driver, control logic and current control (chopper)
- Fast free-wheeling diodes
- Max. supply voltage 45 V
- Outputs free of crossover current
- Offset-phase turn-ON of output stages
- All outputs short-circuit proof
- 5 V output for logic supply
- Error-flag for overload, open load, overtemperature



Туре	Ordering Code	Package
TLE 4727	on request	P-DIP-20-6

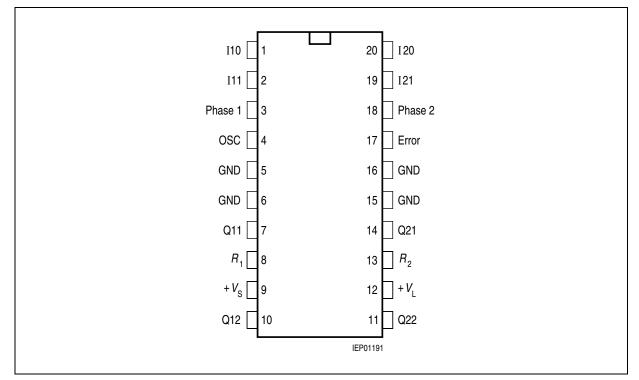
## Description

The TLE 4727 is a bipolar, monolithic IC for driving bipolar stepper motors, DC motors and other inductive loads that operate on constant current. The control logic and power output stages for two bipolar windings are integrated on a single chip which permits switched current control of motors with 0.7 A per phase at operating voltages up to 16 V.

The direction and value of current are programmable for each phase via separate control inputs. A common oscillator generates the timing for the current control and turn-on with phase offset of the two output stages. The two output stages in a full-bridge configuration include fast integrated free-wheeling diodes and are free of crossover current. The device can be driven directly by a microprocessor in several modes by programming phase direction and current control of each bridge independently.

A stabilized 5 V output allows the supply of external components up to 5 mA. With the error output the TLE 4727 signals malfunction of the device. Setting the control inputs high resets the error flag and by reactivating the bridges one by one the location of the error can be found.





**Figure 1 Pin Configuration** (top view)



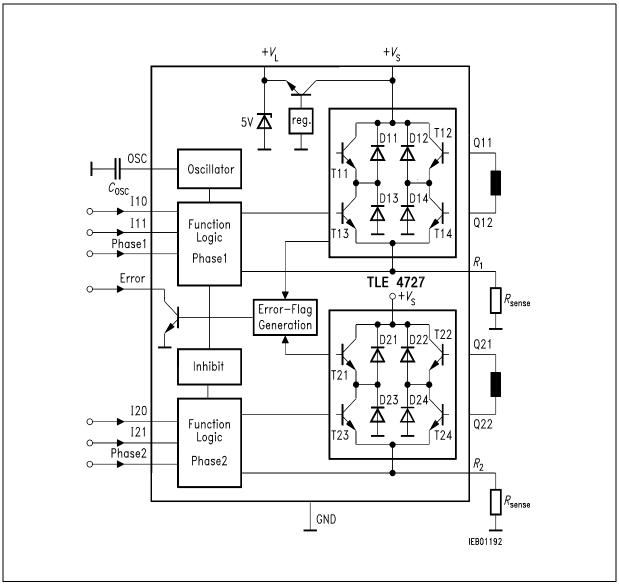
# **Pin Definitions and Functions**

Pin No.	Functio	Function							
1, 2, 19, 20	the part	icular phase		agnitude of the <b>current</b> of					
	$I_{\rm set} = 50$	0 mA with R	Sense = 1 Ω						
	Curren IX1	t Control IX0	Phase Current	Example of Motor Status					
	Н	Н	0	No current <sup>1)</sup>					
	Н	L	$0.14 \times I_{set}$	Hold					
	L	Н	I <sub>set</sub>	Normal mode					
	L	L	$1.4 \times I_{set}$	Accelerate					
	<sup>1)</sup> "No cu below		ridges inhibits the circuit ar	nd current consumption will sink					
3	H-poter		e current flows from C	gh phase winding 1. On Q11 to Q12, on L-potential					
4	Oscilla 2.2 nF.	<b>tor</b> ; works at	t typ. 25 kHz if this pin	is wired to ground across					
5, 6, 15, 16	Ground	; all pins are	e connected at leadfra	ame internally.					
7, 10	-	<b>ull outputs</b> g diodes.	Q11, Q12 for phase 1	I with integrated free-					
8	Resisto	or R <sub>1</sub> for sen	sing the current in pha	ase 1.					
9	with a s	•	lytic capacitor of at lea	e as possible to the IC, ast 47 $\mu F$ in parallel with a					
11, 14		<b>ull outputs</b> g diodes.	Q22, Q21 for phase 2	2 with integrated free					
12	supply u	up to 5 mA; s		ed 5 V voltage for logic . Block to ground with a					
13	Desiste	D (	sing the current in pha						



## Pin Definitions and Functions (cont'd)

Pin No.	Function
17	<b>Error output</b> ; signals with "low" the errors: open load or short circuit to ground of one or more outputs or short circuits of the load or overtemperature.
18	<b>Input phase 2</b> ; controls the current flow through phase winding 2. On H-potential the phase current flows from Q21 to Q22, on L-potential in the reverse direction.







## **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

Temperature  $T_i = -40$  to 150 °C

Parameter	Symbol	Limit	Values	Unit	Remarks
		min.	max.		
Supply voltage	V <sub>S</sub>	- 0.3	45	V	-
Error outputs	V <sub>Err</sub>	- 0.3	45	V	-
	I <sub>Err</sub>	—	3	mA	-
Logic supply voltage	$V_{L}$	- 0.3	6.5	V	-
Output current of V <sub>L</sub>	IL	- 5	1)	mA	<sup>1)</sup> Int. limited
Output current	IQ	– 1	1	А	-
Ground current	I <sub>GND</sub>	-2	-	А	-
Logic inputs	V <sub>IXX</sub>	– 15	15	V	IXX ; Phase X
Oscillator voltage	V <sub>Osc</sub>	- 0.3	6	V	-
$R_1, R_2$ input voltage	V <sub>RX</sub>	- 0.3	5	V	-
Junction temperature	T <sub>j</sub>	_	125	°C	-
	$T_{j}$	-	150	°C	Max. 10,000 h
Storage temperature	T <sub>stg</sub>	- 50	125	°C	-
Thermal resistance					
Junction ambient	R <sub>th ja</sub>	-	56	K/W	-
Junction ambient (soldered on a	R <sub>th ja</sub>	-	40	K/W	_
35 μm thick 20 cm <sup>2</sup> PC board	,				
copper area)					
Junction case	R <sub>th jc</sub>	_	18	K/W	Measured on pin 5

Note: Stresses above those listed here may cause permanent damage to the device. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.



# **Operating Range**

Parameter	Symbol	Limit Values		Limit Values		Limit Values		Unit	Remarks
		min.	max.						
Supply voltage	VS	5	16	V	-				
Current from logic supply	IL	-	5	mA	-				
Case temperature	T <sub>C</sub>	- 40	110	°C	Measured on pin 5 $P_{diss} = 2 \text{ W}$				
Output current	IQ	- 800	800	mA	-				
Logic inputs	V <sub>IXX</sub>	- 5	6	V	IXX; Phase 1, 2				
Error output	V <sub>Err</sub>	_	25	V	-				
	I <sub>Err</sub>	0	1	mA	-				

Note: In the operating range, the functions given in the circuit description are fulfilled.

## **Characteristics**

 $V_{\rm S}$  = 6 to 16 V;  $T_{\rm j}$  = - 40 to 130 °C

Parameter	Symbol	Limit Values		Unit	<b>Test Condition</b>	
		min.	typ.	max.		

# **Current Consumption**

from + $V_{\rm S}$	I <sub>S</sub>	1	2	3	IXX = H
from + $V_{\rm S}$	I <sub>S</sub>	20	30	50	IXX = L;
	3				$I_{Q1, 2} = 0 A$

## Oscillator

Output charging current	I <sub>Osc</sub>	90	120	135	μA	-
Charging threshold	V <sub>OscL</sub>	0.8	1.3	1.9	V	-
Discharging threshold	V <sub>OscH</sub>	1.7	2.3	2.9	V	—
Frequency	f <sub>Osc</sub>	18	24	30	kHz	$C_{OSC} = 2.2 \text{ nF}$



# Characteristics (cont'd)

 $V_{\rm S} = 6$  to 16 V;  $T_{\rm j} = -40$  to 130 °C

Parameter	Symbol	Limit Values			Unit	<b>Test Condition</b>
		min.	typ.	max.		

# Phase Current ( $V_{\rm S}$ = 9 to 16 V)

Mode "no current"	IQ	-2	0	2	mA	IX0 = H;
Voltage threshold of current	~					IX1 = H
comparator at <i>R</i> <sub>sense</sub> in mode:	* 7					
Hold	V <sub>ch</sub>	40	70	100	mV	IX0 = L; IX1 = H
Setpoint	$V_{cs}$	450	500	570	mV	IX0 = H; IX1 = L
Accelerate	V <sub>ca</sub>	630	700	800	mV	IX0 = L; IX1 = L

# Logic Inputs (IX1 ; IX0 ; phase X)

Threshold	$V_{\rm I}$	1.2	1.7	2.2	V	-
Hysteresis	V <sub>IHv</sub>	—	50	—	mV	-
Low-input current	IL	- 10	- 1	1	μA	$V_{\rm I} = 1.2  \rm V$
Low-input current	$I_{  }$	- 100	- 20	- 5	μA	$V_{\rm I} = 0 \rm V$
High-input current	I <sub>IH</sub>	– 1	0	10	μA	$V_{\rm I} = 5  \rm V$

# **Error Output**

Saturation voltage	V <sub>ErrSat</sub>	50	200	500	mV	$I_{\rm Err} = 1  \rm mA$
Leakage current	$I_{ErrL}$	-	-	10	μA	$V_{Err} = 25 \ V$

# Logic Supply Output

Output voltage	$V_{L}$	4.5	5	6	V	<i>T</i> <sub>i</sub> < 150 °C
						1 mA < $I_L$ < 5 mA $V_S$ = 6 to 45 V

## **Thermal Protection**

Shutdown	T <sub>isd</sub>	140	150	160	°C	$I_{Q1,2} = 0 A$
Prealarm	T <sub>jpa</sub>	120	130	140	°C	$V_{\rm Err} = L$
Delta	$\Delta T_{j}$	10	20	30	K	$\Delta T_{\rm j} = T_{\rm jsd} - T_{\rm jpa}$



### Characteristics (cont'd)

 $V_{\rm S} = 6$  to 16 V;  $T_{\rm i} = -40$  to 130 °C

Parameter	Symbol	Limit Values		Unit	<b>Test Condition</b>	
		min.	typ.	max.		

## Power Output Sink Diode Transistor Sink Pair (D13, T13; D14, T14; D23, T23; D24, T24)

Saturation voltage	V <sub>satl</sub>	0.1	0.4	0.6	V	$I_{\rm O} = -0.5  {\rm A}$
Saturation voltage	V <sub>satl</sub>	0.2	0.5	0.8	V	$I_{\rm Q} = -0.7  {\rm A}$
Reverse current	I <sub>BI</sub>	500	1000	1500	μA	$V_{\rm S} = V_{\rm Q} = 40 \text{ V}$
Forward voltage	$V_{FI}$	0.6	0.95	1.25	V	$I_{\rm Q} = 0.5  {\rm A}$
Forward voltage	$V_{FI}$	0.7	1	1.3	V	$I_{\rm Q} = 0.7  {\rm A}$

## Power Output Source Diode Transistor Source Pair (D11, T11; D12, T12; D21, T21; D22, T22)

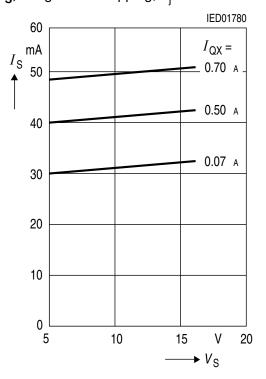
Saturation voltage; charge	V <sub>satuC</sub>	0.6	1.1	1.3	V	$I_{\rm Q} = 0.5  {\rm A}$
Saturation voltage; discharge	V <sub>satuD</sub>	0.1	0.4	0.7	V	$I_{\rm Q} = 0.5  {\rm A}$
Saturation voltage; charge	V <sub>satuC</sub>	0.7	1.2	1.5	V	$I_{\rm Q} = 0.7  {\rm A}$
Saturation voltage; discharge	V <sub>satuD</sub>	0.2	0.5	0.8	V	$I_{\rm Q} = 0.7  {\rm A}$
Reverse current	I <sub>Ru</sub>	400	800	1200	μA	$V_{\rm S} = 40  {\rm V},$
						$V_{\rm Q} = 0  \rm V$
Forward voltage	V <sub>Fu</sub>	0.7	1.05	1.35	V	$I_{\rm Q} = -0.5  {\rm A}$
Forward voltage	V <sub>Fu</sub>	0.8	1.1	1.4	V	$I_{\rm Q} = -0.7  {\rm A}$
Diode leakage current	I <sub>SL</sub>	0	3	10	mA	$I_{\rm F} = -0.7  {\rm A}$

Note: The listed characteristics are ensured over the operating range of the integrated circuit. Typical characteristics specify mean values expected over the production spread. If not otherwise specified, typical characteristics apply at  $T_A = 25 \,^{\circ}$ C and the given supply voltage.

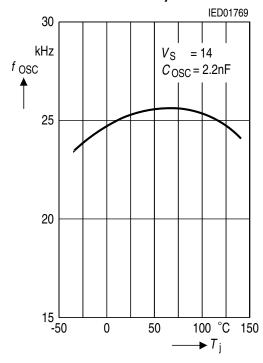


# Quiescent Current $I_{S}$ versus Supply Voltage

 $V_{\rm S}$ ; bridges not chopping;  $T_{\rm i}$  = 25 °C

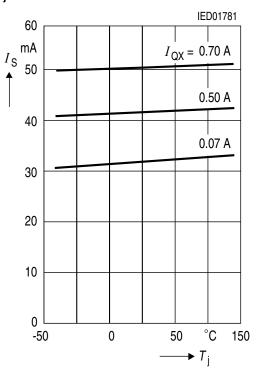


# Oscillator Frequency $f_{OSC}$ versus Junction Temperature $T_{i}$

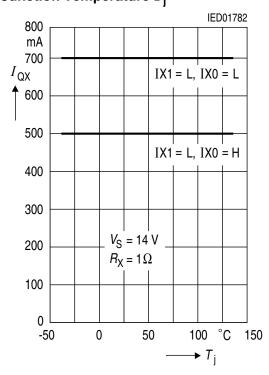


# Quiescent Current $I_{\rm S}$ versus Junction Temp.

 $T_i$ ; bridges not chopping;  $V_s = 14 \text{ V}$ 



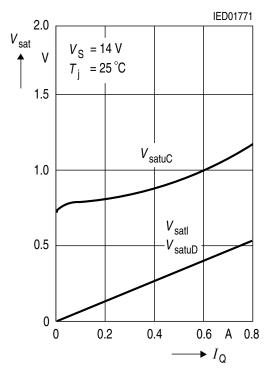
# Output Current $I_{QX}$ versus Junction Temperature $T_{i}$



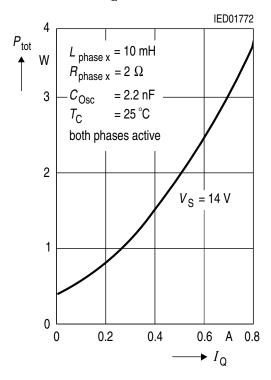
#### Datasheet



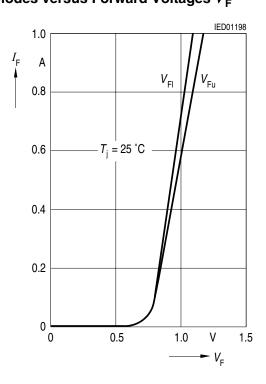
Output Saturation Voltages  $V_{sat}$  versus Output Current  $I_{Q}$ 



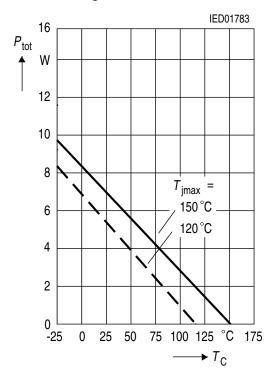
# Typical Power Dissipation $P_{tot}$ versus Output Current $I_Q$ (non stepping)



Forward Current  $I_F$  of Free-Wheeling Diodes versus Forward Voltages  $V_F$ 



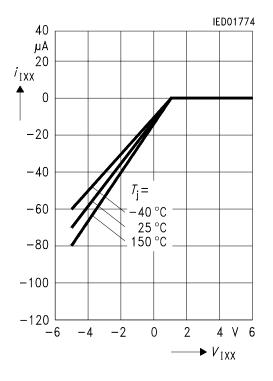
Permissible Power Dissipation  $P_{\rm tot}$  versus Case Temp.  $T_{\rm C}$  (measured at pin 5)



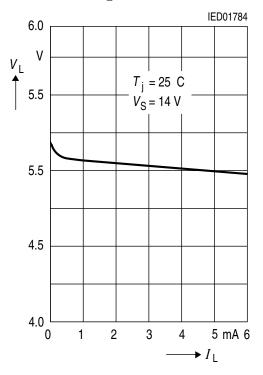
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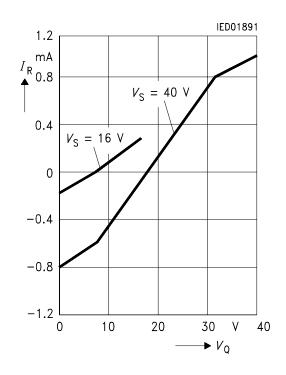




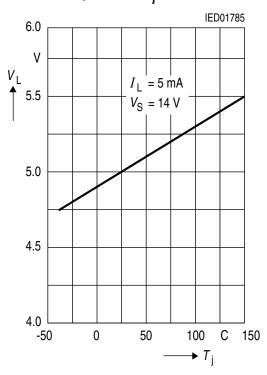
# Logic Supply Output Voltage versus Output Current $I_{\rm L}$



#### **Output Leakage Current**



# Logic Supply Output Voltage versus Junction Temperature $T_i$



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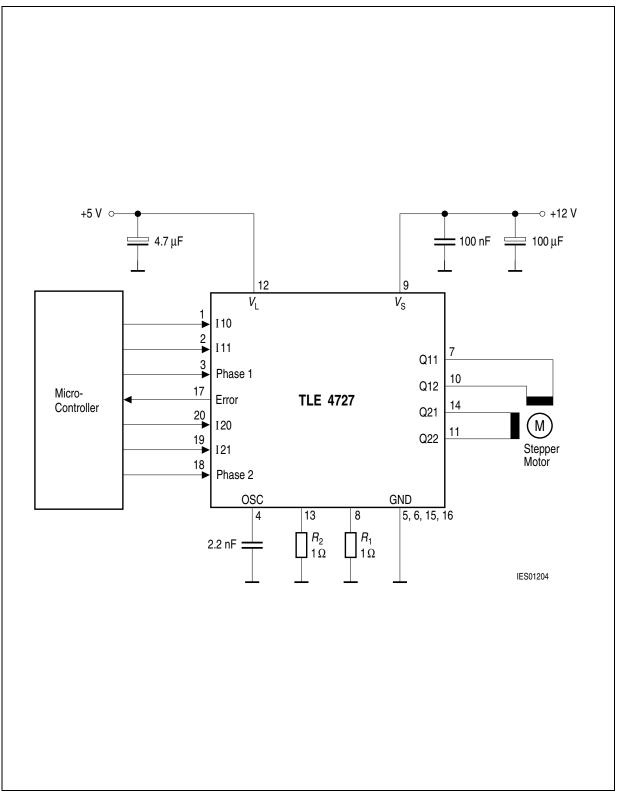


Figure 3 Application Circuit



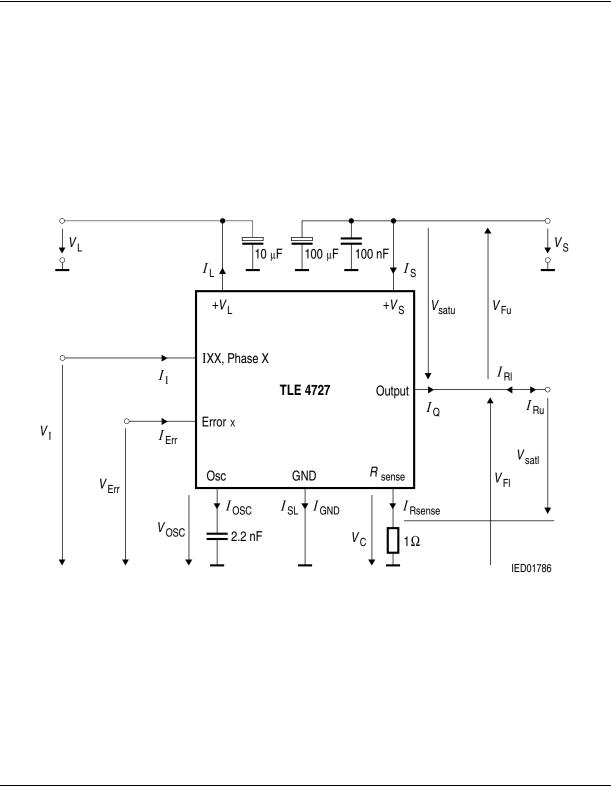


Figure 4 Test Circuit





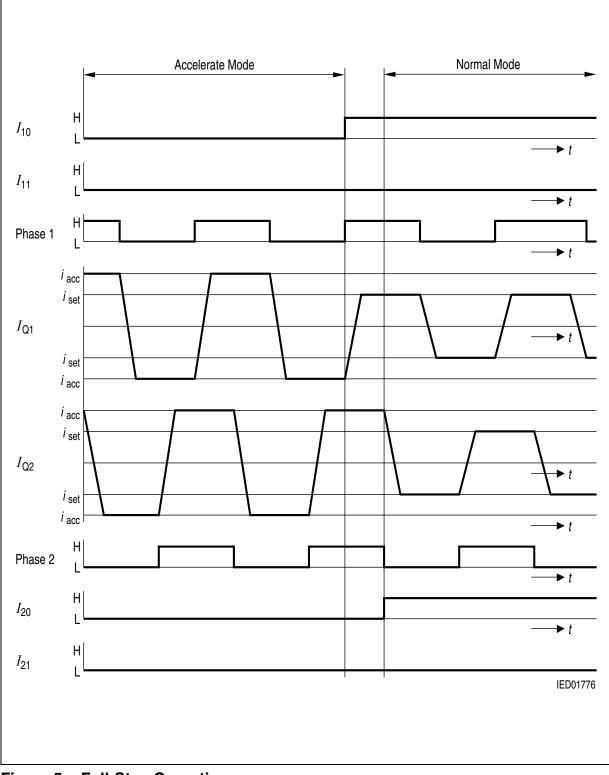


Figure 5 Full-Step Operation



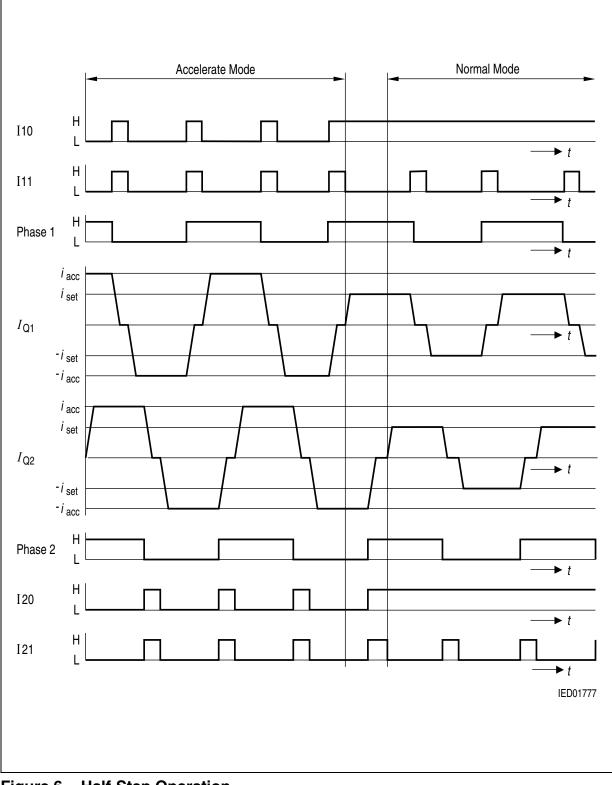


Figure 6 Half-Step Operation



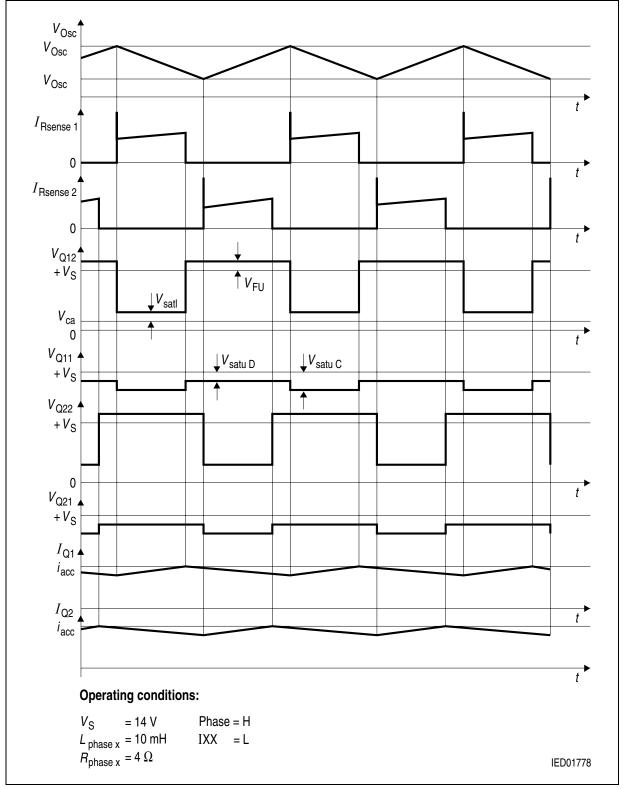
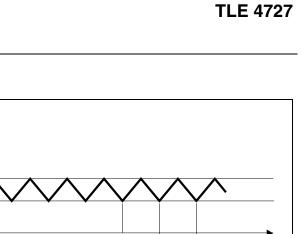


Figure 7 Current Control in Chop-Mode





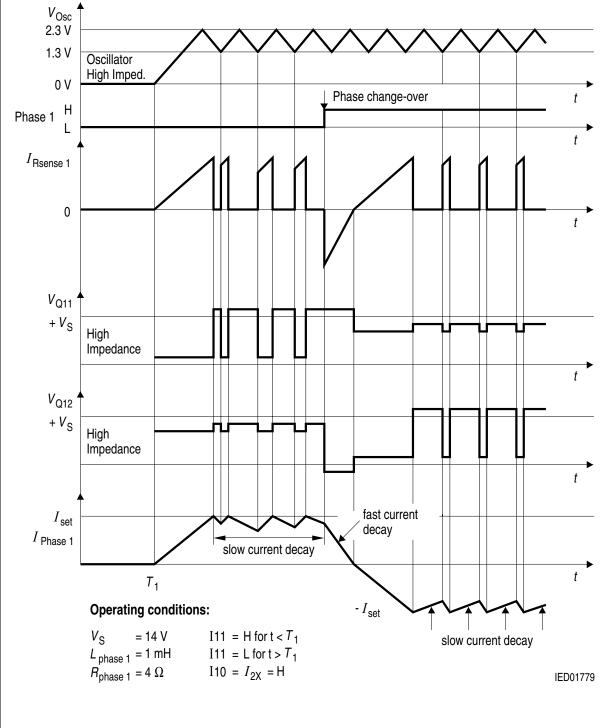


Figure 8 Phase Reversal and Inhibit



## **Calculation of Power Dissipation**

The total power dissipation P<sub>tot</sub> is made up of

saturation losses P <sub>sat</sub>	(transistor saturation voltage and diode forward voltages),
quiescent losses P <sub>q</sub>	(quiescent current times supply voltage) and
switching losses P <sub>s</sub>	(turn-ON / turn-OFF operations).

The following equations give the power dissipation for chopper operation without phase reversal. This is the worst case, because full current flows for the entire time and switching losses occur in addition.

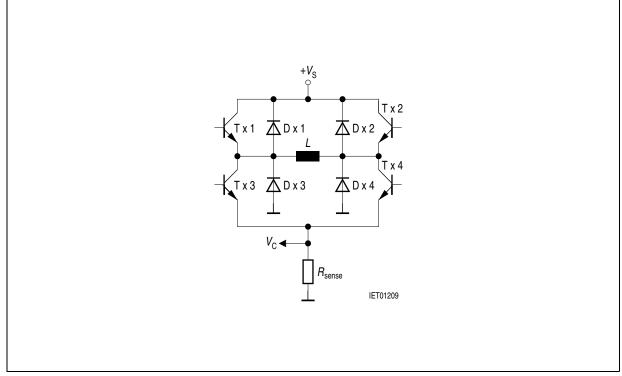
$$P_{\text{tot}} = 2 \times P_{\text{sat}} + P_{\text{q}} + 2 \times P_{\text{s}}$$
where
$$P_{\text{sat}} \cong I_{\text{N}} \{V_{\text{satl}} \times d + V_{\text{Fu}} (1 - d) + V_{\text{satuC}} \times d + V_{\text{satuD}} (1 - d)\}$$

$$P_{\text{q}} = I_{\text{q}} \times V_{\text{S}}$$

$$P_{\rm S} \cong \frac{V_{\rm S}}{T} \Biggl\{ \frac{i_{\rm D} \times t_{\rm DON}}{2} + \frac{(i_{\rm D} + i_{\rm R}) \times t_{\rm ON}}{4} + \frac{I_{\rm N}}{2} (t_{\rm DOFF} + t_{\rm OFF}) \Biggr\}$$

- $I_{\rm N}$  = nominal current (mean value)
- *I*<sub>q</sub> = quiescent current
- $i_{D}$  = reverse current during turn-ON delay
- $i_{\rm B}$  = peak reverse current
- $t_{p}$  = conducting time of chopper transistor
- $t_{ON}$  = turn-ON time
- t<sub>OFF</sub> = turn-OFF time
- $t_{\text{DON}}$  = turn-ON delay
- $t_{DOFF}$  = turn-OFF delay
- *T* = cycle duration
- $d = \text{duty cycle } t_p / T$
- $V_{\text{satl}}$  = saturation voltage of sink transistor (T<sub>X3</sub>, T<sub>X4</sub>)
- $V_{\text{satuC}}$  = saturation voltage of source transistor (T<sub>X1</sub>, T<sub>X2</sub>) during charge cycle
- $V_{satuD}$  = saturation voltage of source transistor (T<sub>X1</sub>, T<sub>X2</sub>) during discharge cycle
- $V_{Fu}$  = forward voltage of free-wheeling diode (D<sub>X1</sub>, D<sub>X2</sub>)
- $V_{\rm S}$  = supply voltage







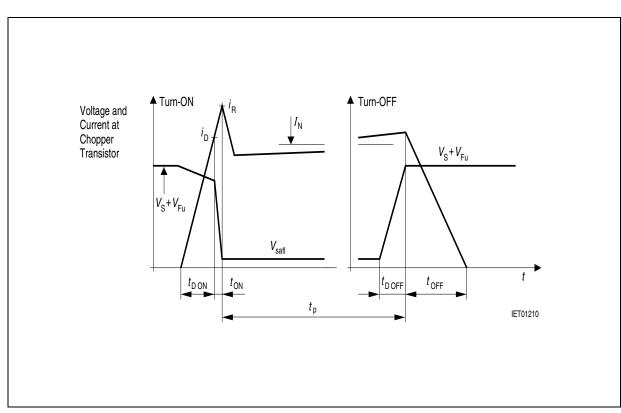


Figure 10 Voltage and Current at Chopper Transistor



## **Application Hints**

The TLE 4727 is intended to drive both phases of a stepper motor. Special care has been taken to provide high efficiency, robustness and to minimize external components.

# **Power Supply**

The TLE 4727 will work with supply voltages ranging from 5 V to 16 V at pin  $V_{\rm S}$ . Surges exceeding 16 V at  $V_{\rm S}$  won't harm the circuit up to 45 V, but whole function is not guaranteed. As soon as the voltage drops below approximately 16 V the TLE 4727 works promptly again.

As the circuit operates with chopper regulation of the current, interference generation problems can arise in some applications. Therefore the power supply should be decoupled by a 0.1  $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor located near the package. Unstabilized supplies may even afford higher capacities.

# **Current Sensing**

The current in the windings of the stepper motor is sensed by the voltage drop across  $R_{\text{sense}}$ . Depending on the selected current internal comparators will turn off the sink transistor as soon as the voltage drop reaches certain thresholds (typical 0 V, 0.07 V, 0.50 V and 0.70 V). These thresholds are not affected by variations of  $V_{\text{S}}$ . Consequently unstabilized supplies will not affect the performance of the regulation. For precise current level it must be considered, that internal bonding wire (typ. 60 m $\Omega$ ) is a part of  $R_{\text{sense}}$ .

Due to chopper control fast current rises (up to  $10A/\mu s$ ) will occur at the sensing resistors. To prevent malfunction of the current sensing mechanism  $R_{sense}$  should be pure ohmic. The resistors should be wired to GND as directly as possible. Capacitive loads such as long cables (with high wire to wire capacity) to the motor should be avoided for the same reason.

## **Synchronizing Several Choppers**

In some applications synchronous chopping of several stepper motor drivers may be desirable to reduce acoustic interference. This can be done by forcing the oscillator of the TLE 4727 by a pulse generator overdriving the oscillator loading currents (approximately  $\pm$  120  $\mu$ A). In these applications low level should be between 0 V and 0.8 V while high level should be between 3 V and 5 V.



## **Optimizing Noise Immunity**

Unused inputs should always be wired to proper voltage levels in order to obtain highest possible noise immunity.

To prevent crossconduction of the output stages the TLE 4727 uses a special break before make timing of the power transistors. This timing circuit can be triggered by short glitches (some hundred nanoseconds) at the Phase inputs causing the output stage to become high resistive during some microseconds. This will lead to a fast current decay during that time. To achieve maximum current accuracy such glitches at the Phase inputs should be avoided by proper control signals.

To lower EMI a ceramic capacitor of max. 3 nF is advisable from each output to GND.

## Thermal Shut Down

To protect the circuit against thermal destruction, thermal shut down has been implemented.

## **Error Monitoring**

The error output signals with low-potential one of the following errors:

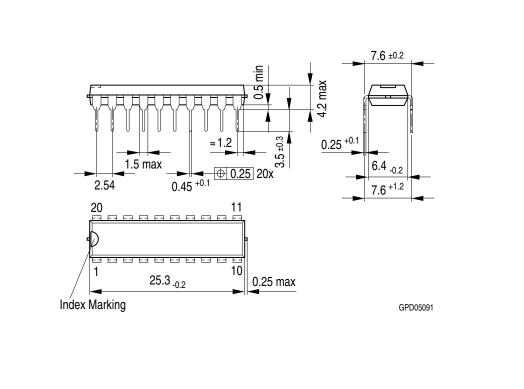
overtemperature implemented as pre-alarm; appears approximately 20 K before thermal shut down.
 short circuit a connection of one output to GND for longer than 30 μs sets an internal error flipflop. A phase change-over of the affected bridge resets the flipflop. Being a separate flipflop for each bridge, the error can be located in such way.
 underload the recirculation of the inductive load is watched. If there is no recirculation after a phase change-over, the internal error flipflop is set. Additionally an error is signaled after a phase change-over during hold-mode.



## Package Outlines

# P-DIP-20-6

(Plastic Dual In-line Package)



**Sorts of Packing** Package outlines for tubes, trays etc. are contained in our Data Book "Package Information".