

Low-Cost, Internal-Switch, Step-Down Regulator for LCD Displays

General Description

The MAX8723 is a high-efficiency, switch-mode, stepdown regulator with a 14V internal power switch. With only a few external passive components, this low-cost regulator can generate a fixed 3.3V or adjustable DC output voltage of 2.0V to 3.6V (dual mode) from a 6V to 13.2V DC source. The 13.2V input voltage range makes this part ideal for LCD displays, point-of-load regulators, and other 8/12Vpowered industrial equipment applications.

The MAX8723 can deliver up to 2A. It features an internal power MOSFET, a built-in bootstrap diode for its MOSFET driver, and an interface for an external synchronous rectifier MOSFET drive to replace the Schottky diode and improve efficiency. Its fixed-frequency PWM/skip-mode operation and current-mode control architecture provide fast load-transient response without compensation. The switching frequency is a pin-selectable 500kHz, 1MHz, or 1.5MHz, minimizing the size of external components.

The MAX8723 has built-in soft-start, current-limit, thermal-shutdown, and timer-delayed output-fault shutdown functions. The soft-start function limits inrush current during startup, avoiding transients that can trigger the front-end protection circuits and lock up the system. The current limit, thermal-shutdown, and timer-delayed output-fault shutdown functions protect the power supply against fault conditions.

The MAX8723 also includes a linear regulator (VL) which provides a fixed 5V output (25mA) to support small external loads. The reference output is high-precision (2V ± 1%) and can also supply small external load currents.

The MAX8723 is available in the 16-pin 4mm x 4mm TQFN package.

Applications

LCD TVs LCD Monitors Digital System Power Supplies Point-of-Load Regulators 8/12V Industrial Equipment

Pin Configuration appears at end of data sheet.

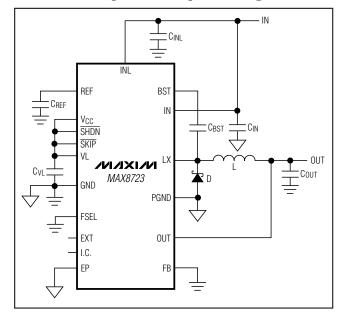
Features

- ♦ 6V to 13.2V Input Supply Range
- ♦ Integrated 14V 2A N-Channel MOSFET Switch
- ♦ Preset 1.5% Accurate 3.3V fixed Output Voltage or 2.0V to 3.6V Adjustable Output (Dual Mode)
- **♦ Current-Mode PWM Operation**
- ♦ Frequency-Selectable 500kHz/1MHz/1.5MHz
- ♦ Internal 5V Linear Regulator Supports Up to 25mA **External Load**
- **♦ 2V Precision Reference (1%)**
- ♦ Integrated Bootstrap Diode for High-Side **MOSFET Drive**
- ♦ External Synchronous Rectifier Driver
- ♦ Built-In Soft-Start
- ♦ 200µA Standby Mode
- **♦ Timer-Delayed Output Fault Protection**
- **♦ Thermal Shutdown Protection**
- ♦ Small 16-Pin 4mm x 4mm Thin QFN Package

Ordering Information

PART	TEMP RANGE	PIN-PACKAGE	PKG CODE
MAX8723ETE+	-40°C to +85°C	16-pin Thin QFN 4mm x 4mm	T1644-4

Simplified Operating Circuit



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