

**MAXIM**

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

**MAX5812**

## General Description

The MAX5812 is a single, 12-bit voltage-output, digital-to-analog converter (DAC) with an I<sup>2</sup>C™-compatible 2-wire interface that operates at clock rates up to 400kHz. The device operates from a single 2.7V to 5.5V supply and draws only 100µA at V<sub>DD</sub> = 3.6V. A low-power power-down mode decreases current consumption to less than 1µA. The MAX5812 features three software-selectable power-down output impedances: 100kΩ, 1kΩ, and high impedance. Other features include an internal precision Rail-to-Rail® output buffer and a power-on reset circuit that powers up the DAC in the 100kΩ power-down mode.

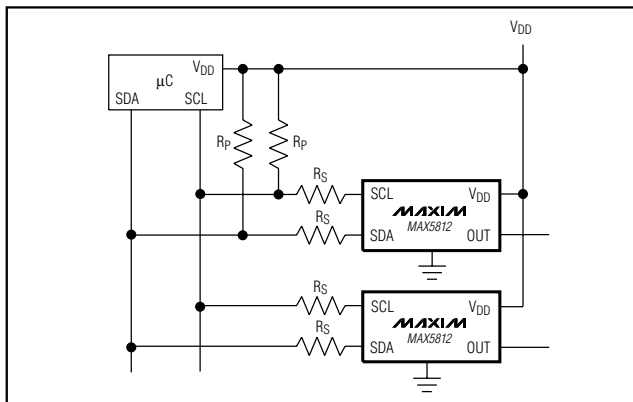
The MAX5812 features a double-buffered I<sup>2</sup>C-compatible serial interface that allows multiple devices to share a single bus. All logic inputs are CMOS-logic compatible and buffered with Schmitt triggers, allowing direct interfacing to optocoupled and transformer-isolated interfaces. The MAX5812 minimizes digital noise feedthrough by disconnecting the clock (SCL) signal from the rest of the device when an address mismatch is detected.

The MAX5812 is specified over the extended temperature range of -40°C to +85°C and is available in a space-saving 6-pin SOT23 package. Refer to the MAX5811 for the 10-bit version.

## Applications

- Digital Gain and Offset Adjustments
- Programmable Voltage and Current Sources
- Programmable Attenuation
- VCO/Varactor Diode Control
- Low-Cost Instrumentation
- Battery-Operated Equipment

## Typical Operating Circuit



## Features

- ◆ Ultra-Low Supply Current
  - 100µA at V<sub>DD</sub> = 3.6V
  - 130µA at V<sub>DD</sub> = 5.5V
- ◆ 300nA Low-Power Power-Down Mode
- ◆ Single 2.7V to 5.5V Supply Voltage
- ◆ Fast 400kHz I<sup>2</sup>C-Compatible 2-Wire Serial Interface
- ◆ Schmitt-Trigger Inputs for Direct Interfacing to Optocouplers
- ◆ Rail-to-Rail Output Buffer Amplifier
- ◆ Three Software-Selectable Power-Down Output Impedances
  - 100kΩ, 1kΩ, and High Impedance
- ◆ Read-Back Mode for Bus and Data Checking
- ◆ Power-On Reset to Zero
- ◆ Miniature 6-Pin SOT23 Package

## Ordering Information

PART	TEMP RANGE	PIN-PACKAGE	TOP MARK
MAX5812LEUT	-40°C to +85°C	6 SOT23	AAYT
MAX5812MEUT	-40°C to +85°C	6 SOT23	AAYV
MAX5812NEUT	-40°C to +85°C	6 SOT23	AAYX
MAX5812PEUT	-40°C to +85°C	6 SOT23	AAYZ

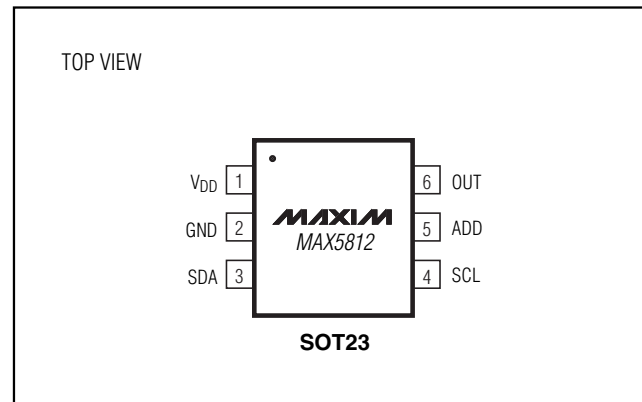
*Selector Guide appears at end of data sheet.*

*Functional Diagram appears at end of data sheet.*

*Rail-to-Rail is a registered trademark of Nippon Motorola, Ltd.*

*I<sup>2</sup>C is a trademark of Philips Corporation.*

## Pin Configuration

**MAXIM**

Maxim Integrated Products 1

**For pricing, delivery, and ordering information, please contact Maxim/Dallas Direct! at 1-888-629-4642, or visit Maxim's website at [www.maxim-ic.com](http://www.maxim-ic.com).**

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

V <sub>DD</sub> , SCL, SDA to GND .....	-0.3V to +6V
OUT, ADD to GND .....	-0.3V to V <sub>DD</sub> + 0.3V
Maximum Current Into Any Pin .....	50mA
Continuous Power Dissipation (T <sub>A</sub> = +70°C)	
6-Pin SOT23 (derate 9.1mW above +70°C).....	727mW

Operating Temperature Range .....	-40°C to +85°C
Maximum Junction Temperature .....	+150°C
Storage Temperature Range .....	-65°C to +150°C
Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) .....	+300°C

Stresses beyond those listed under "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(V<sub>DD</sub> = +2.7V to +5.5V, GND = 0, R<sub>L</sub> = 5kΩ, C<sub>L</sub> = 200pF, T<sub>A</sub> = T<sub>MIN</sub> to T<sub>MAX</sub>, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at V<sub>DD</sub> = +5V, T<sub>A</sub> = +25°C.) (Note 1)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
<b>STATIC ACCURACY (Note 2)</b>						
Resolution	N		12			Bits
Integral Nonlinearity	INL	(Note 3)		±2	±16	LSB
Differential Nonlinearity	DNL	Guaranteed monotonic (Note 3)			±1	LSB
Zero-Code Error	ZCE	Code = 000 hex, V <sub>DD</sub> = 2.7V		±6	±40	mV
Zero-Code Error Tempco				2.3		ppm/°C
Gain Error	GE	Code = FFF hex		-0.8	-3	%FS
Gain-Error Tempco				0.26		ppm/°C
<b>DAC OUTPUT</b>						
Output Voltage Range		No load (Note 4)	0		V <sub>DD</sub>	V
DC Output Impedance		Code = 800 hex		1.2		Ω
Short-Circuit Current		V <sub>DD</sub> = 5V, V <sub>OUT</sub> = full scale (short to GND)		42.2		mA
		V <sub>DD</sub> = 3V, V <sub>OUT</sub> = full scale (short to GND)		15.1		
Wake-Up Time		V <sub>DD</sub> = 5V		8		μs
		V <sub>DD</sub> = 3V		8		
DAC Output Leakage Current		Power-down mode = high impedance, V <sub>DD</sub> = 5.5V, V <sub>OUT</sub> = V <sub>DD</sub> or GND		±0.1	±1	μA
<b>DIGITAL INPUTS (SCL, SDA)</b>						
Input High Voltage	V <sub>IH</sub>		0.7 × V <sub>DD</sub>			V
Input Low Voltage	V <sub>IL</sub>				0.3 × V <sub>DD</sub>	V
Input Hysteresis			0.05 × V <sub>DD</sub>			V
Input Leakage Current		Digital inputs = 0 or V <sub>DD</sub>		±0.1	±1	μA
Input Capacitance				6		pF
<b>DIGITAL OUTPUT (SDA)</b>						
Output Logic Low Voltage	V <sub>OL</sub>	I <sub>SINK</sub> = 3mA			0.4	V
Three-State Leakage Current	I <sub>L</sub>	Digital inputs = 0 or V <sub>DD</sub>		±0.1	±1	μA
Three-State Output Capacitance				6		pF
<b>DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE</b>						
Voltage-Output Slew Rate	SR			0.5		V/μs
Voltage-Output Settling Time		To 1/2LSB code 400 hex to C00 hex or C00 hex to 400 hex (Note 5)		4	12	μs

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

MAX5812

## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

( $V_{DD} = +2.7V$  to  $+5.5V$ ,  $GND = 0$ ,  $R_L = 5k\Omega$ ,  $C_L = 200pF$ ,  $T_A = T_{MIN}$  to  $T_{MAX}$ , unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at  $V_{DD} = +5V$ ,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .) (Note 1)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Digital Feedthrough		Code = 000 hex, digital inputs from 0 to $V_{DD}$		0.2		nV-s
Digital-to-Analog Glitch Impulse		Major carry transition, code = 7FF hex to 800 hex and 800 hex to 7FF hex		12		nV-s
<b>POWER SUPPLIES</b>						
Supply Voltage Range	$V_{DD}$		2.7		5.5	V
Supply Current with No Load		All digital inputs at 0 or $V_{DD} = 3.6V$		100	170	$\mu A$
		All digital inputs at 0 or $V_{DD} = 5.5V$		130	190	
Power-Down Supply Current		All digital inputs at 0 or $V_{DD} = 5.5V$		0.3	1	$\mu A$
<b>TIMING CHARACTERISTICS (Figure 1)</b>						
Serial Clock Frequency	$f_{SCL}$		0		400	kHz
Bus Free Time Between STOP and START Conditions	$t_{BUF}$		1.3			$\mu s$
START Condition Hold Time		$t_{HD, STA}$	0.6			$\mu s$
SCL Pulse Width Low	$t_{LOW}$		1.3			$\mu s$
SCL Pulse Width High	$t_{HIGH}$		0.6			$\mu s$
Repeated START Setup Time	$t_{SU, STA}$		0.6			$\mu s$
Data Hold Time	$t_{HD, DAT}$		0		0.9	$\mu s$
Data Setup Time	$t_{SU, DAT}$		100			ns
SDA and SCL Receiving Rise Time	$t_r$	(Note 5)	0		300	ns
SDA and SCL Receiving Fall Time	$t_f$	(Note 5)	0		300	ns
SDA Transmitting Fall Time	$t_f$	(Note 5)		20 + 0.1 $C_b$	250	ns
STOP Condition Setup Time	$t_{SU-STO}$		0.6			$\mu s$
Bus Capacitance	$C_b$	(Note 5)			400	pF
Maximum Duration of Suppressed Pulse Widths	$t_{SP}$		0		50	ns

**Note 1:** All devices are 100% production tested at  $T_A = +25^\circ C$  and are guaranteed by design for  $T_A = T_{MIN}$  to  $T_{MAX}$ .

**Note 2:** Static specifications are tested with the output unloaded.

**Note 3:** Linearity is guaranteed from codes 115 to 3981.

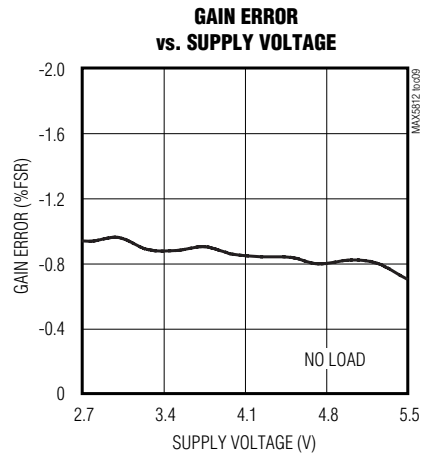
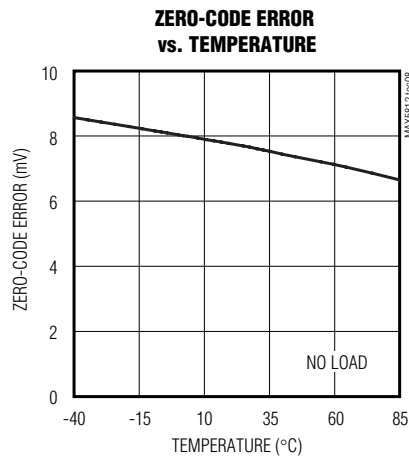
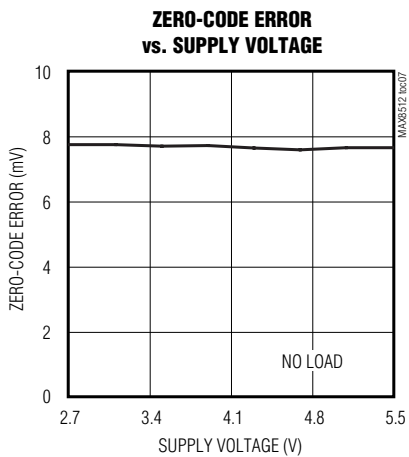
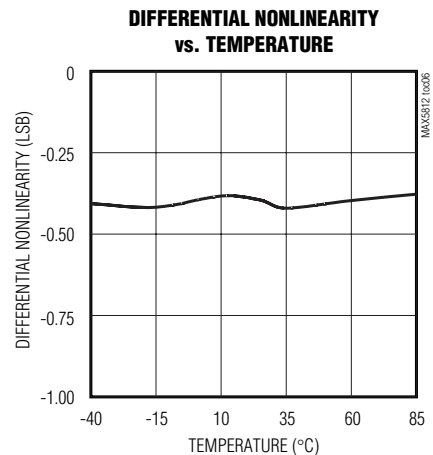
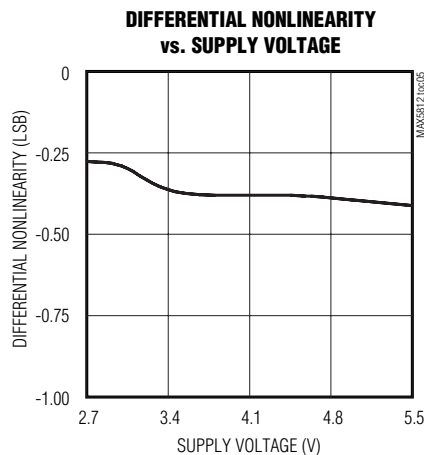
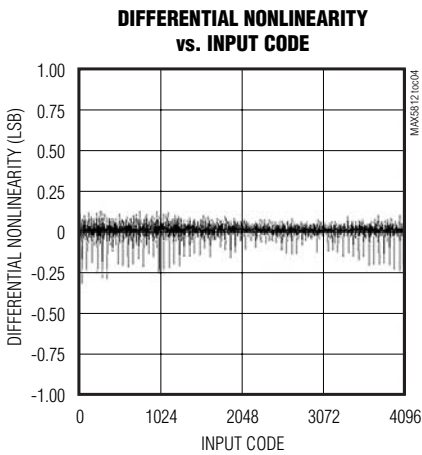
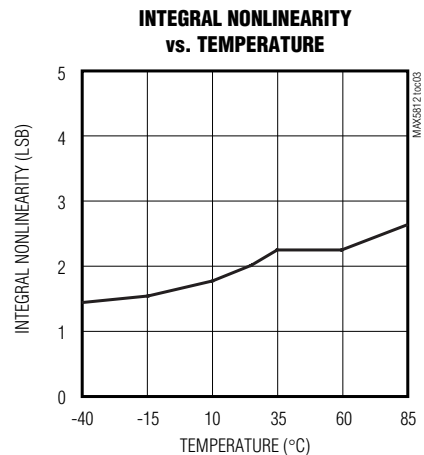
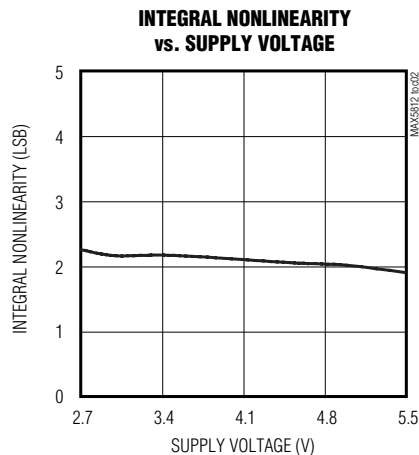
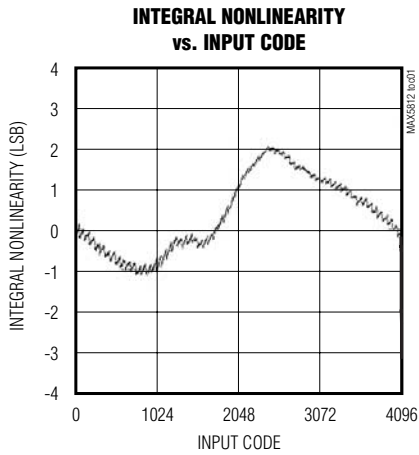
**Note 4:** Offset and gain error limit the FSR.

**Note 5:** Guaranteed by design. Not production tested.

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

## Typical Operating Characteristics

( $V_{DD} = +5V$ ,  $R_L = 5k\Omega$ ,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .)

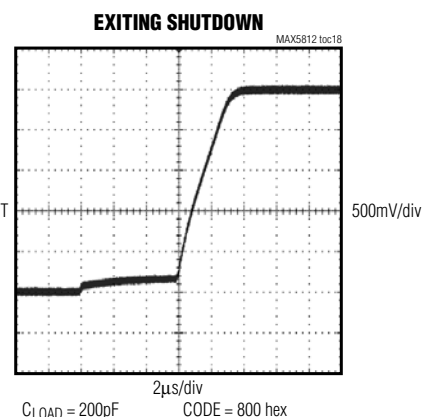
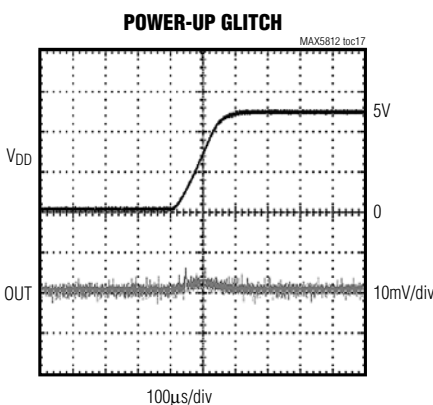
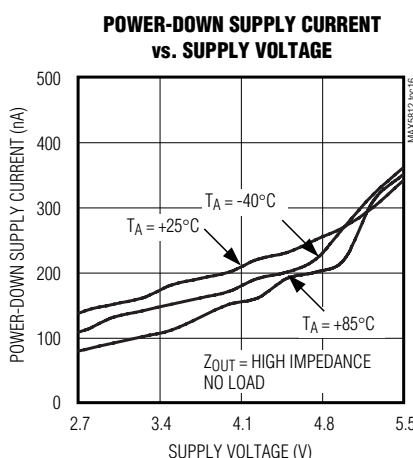
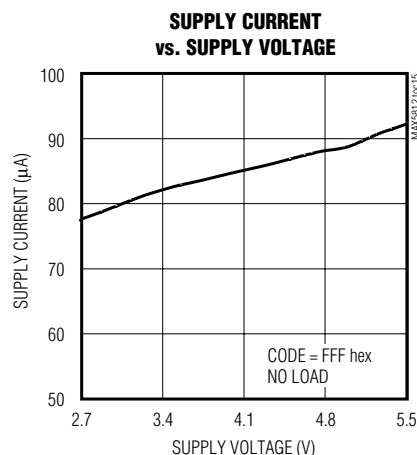
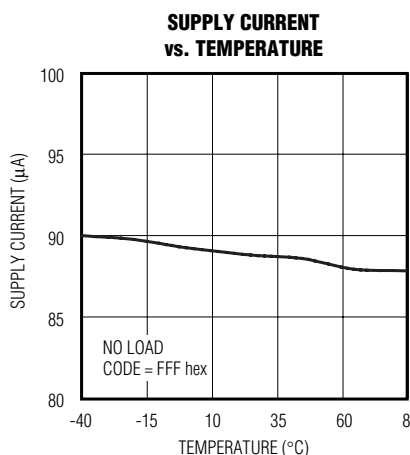
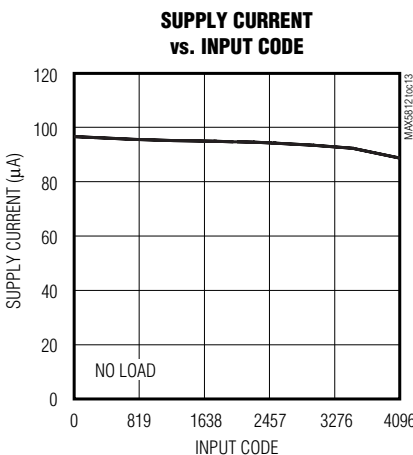
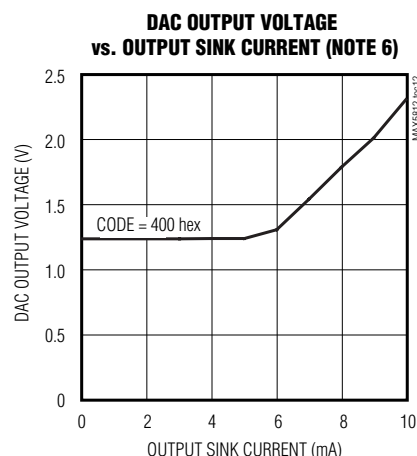
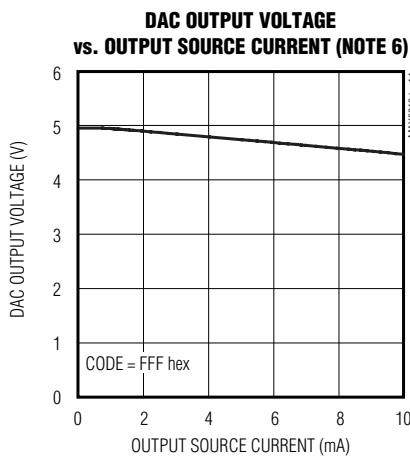
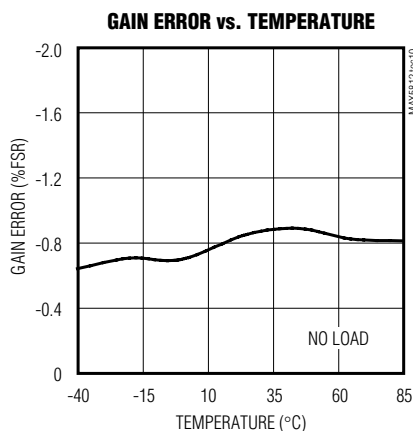


# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

MAX5812

## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

( $V_{DD} = +5V$ ,  $R_L = 5k\Omega$ ,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .)



**Note 6:** The ability to drive loads less than 5kΩ is not implied.

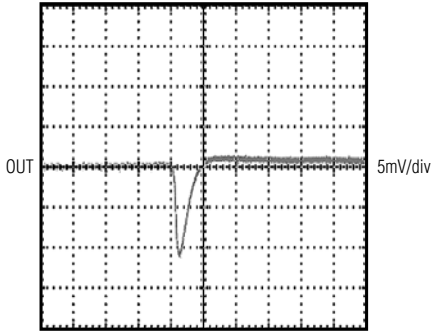
# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

( $V_{DD} = +5V$ ,  $R_L = 5k\Omega$ ,  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .)

**MAJOR CARRY TRANSITION (POSITIVE)**

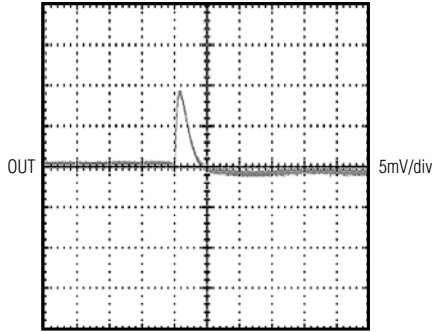
MAX5812 tpc19



$C_{LOAD} = 200pF$   
 $R_L = 5k\Omega$   
CODE = 7FF hex TO 800 hex

**MAJOR CARRY TRANSITION (NEGATIVE)**

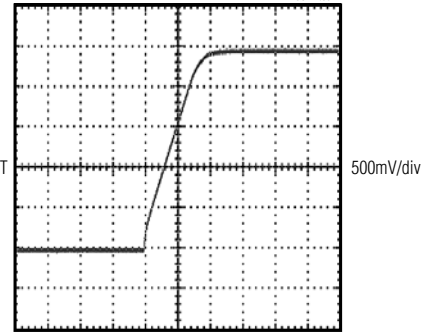
MAX5812 tpc20



$C_{LOAD} = 200pF$   
 $R_L = 5k\Omega$   
CODE = 7FF hex TO 800 hex

**SETTLING TIME (POSITIVE)**

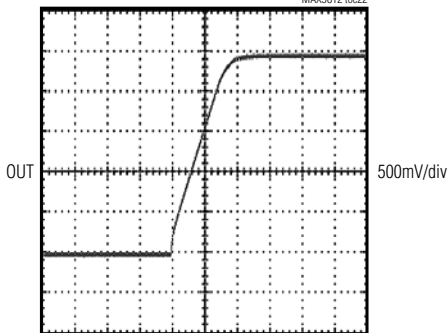
MAX5812 tpc21



$C_{LOAD} = 200pF$   
CODE = 400 hex to C00 hex

**SETTLING TIME (NEGATIVE)**

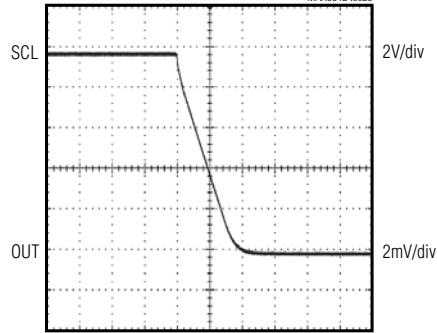
MAX5812 tpc22



$C_{LOAD} = 200pF$   
CODE = C00 hex to 400 hex

**DIGITAL FEEDTHROUGH**

MAX5812 tpc23



$C_{LOAD} = 200pF$   
 $f_{SCL} = 12kHz$   
CODE = 000 hex

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

MAX5812

## Pin Description

PIN	NAME	FUNCTION
1	V <sub>DD</sub>	Power Supply and DAC Reference Input
2	GND	Ground
3	SDA	Bidirectional Serial Data I/O
4	SCL	Serial Clock Line
5	ADD	Address Select. A logic high sets the address LSB to 1; a logic low sets the address LSB to 0.
6	OUT	Analog Output

## Detailed Description

The MAX5812 is a 12-bit, voltage-output DAC with an I<sup>2</sup>C/SMBus-compatible 2-wire interface. The device consists of a serial interface, power-down circuitry, input and DAC registers, a 12-bit resistor string DAC, unity-gain output buffer, and output resistor network. The serial interface decodes the address and control bits, routing the data to either the input or DAC register. Data can be directly written to the DAC register immediately updating the device output, or can be written to the input register without changing the DAC output. Both registers retain data as long as the device is powered.

### DAC Operation

The MAX5812 uses a segmented resistor string DAC architecture, which saves power in the overall system and guarantees output monotonicity. The MAX5812's input coding is straight binary with the output voltage given by the following equation:

$$V_{OUT} = \frac{V_{REF} \times (D)}{2^N}$$

where N = 12(bits), and D = the decimal value of the input code (0 to 4095).

### Output Buffer

The MAX5812 analog output is buffered by a precision unity-gain follower that slews 0.5V/μs. The buffer output

swings rail-to-rail and is capable of driving 5kΩ in parallel with 200pF. The output settles to ±0.5LSB within 4μs.

### Power-On Reset

The MAX5812 features an internal power-on-reset (POR) circuit that initializes the device upon power-up. The DAC registers are set to zero-scale and the device is powered down with the output buffer disabled and the output pulled to GND through the 100kΩ termination resistor. Following power-up, a wake-up command must be initiated before conversions are performed.

### Power-Down Modes

The MAX5812 has three software-controlled, low-power, power-down modes. All three modes disable the output buffer and disconnect the DAC resistor string from V<sub>DD</sub>, reducing supply current draw to 300nA. In power-down mode 0, the device output is high impedance. In power-down mode 1, the device output is internally pulled to GND by a 1kΩ termination resistor. In power-down mode 2, the device output is internally pulled to GND by a 100kΩ termination resistor. Table 1 shows the power-down mode command words.

Upon wake-up, the DAC output is restored to its previous value. Data is retained in the input and DAC registers during power-down mode.

### Digital Interface

The MAX5812 features an I<sup>2</sup>C/SMBus-compatible 2-wire interface consisting of a serial data line (SDA)

**Table 1. Power-Down Command Bits**

POWER-DOWN COMMAND BITS		MODE/FUNCTION
PD1	PD0	
0	0	Power-up device. DAC output restored to previous value.
0	1	Power-down mode 0. Powers down device with output floating.
1	0	Power-down mode 1. Powers down device with output terminated with 1kΩ to GND.
1	1	Power-down mode 2. Powers down device with output terminated with 100kΩ to GND.

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

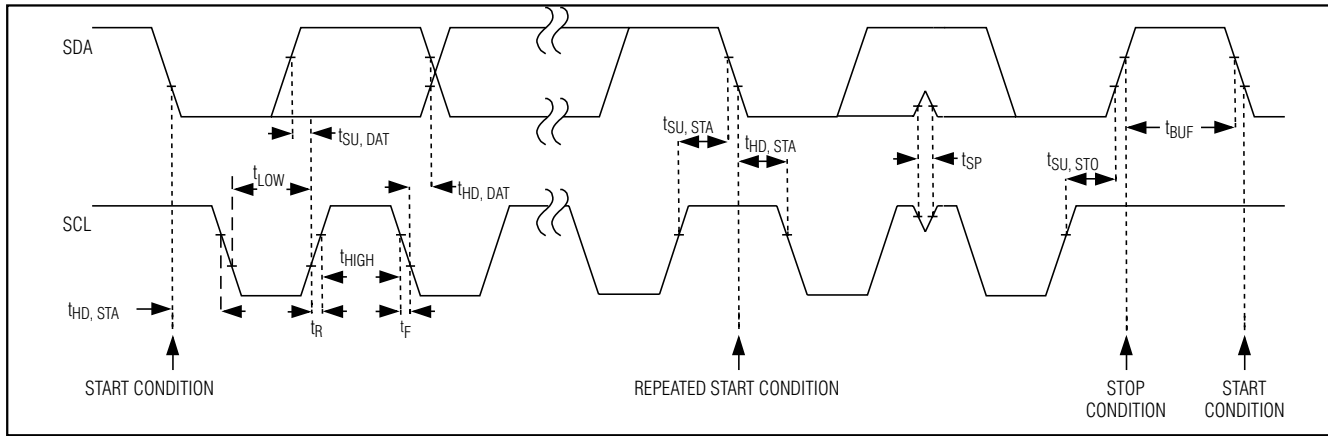


Figure 1. Two-Wire Serial Interface Timing Diagram

and a serial clock line (SCL). The MAX5812 is SMBus compatible within the range of  $V_{DD} = 2.7V$  to  $3.6V$ . SDA and SCL facilitate bidirectional communication between the MAX5812 and the master at rates up to 400kHz. Figure 1 shows the 2-wire interface timing diagram. The MAX5812 is a transmit/receive slave-only device, relying upon a master to generate a clock signal. The master, typically a microcontroller, initiates data transfer on the bus and generates SCL to permit that transfer.

A master device communicates to the MAX5812 by transmitting the proper address followed by command and/or data words. Each transmit sequence is framed by a START (S) or REPEATED START ( $S_r$ ) condition and a STOP (P) condition. Each word transmitted over the bus is 8 bits long and is always followed by an acknowledge clock pulse.

The MAX5812 SDA and SCL drivers are open-drain outputs, requiring a pullup resistor ( $500\Omega$  or greater) to generate a logic high voltage (see the *Typical Operating Circuit*). Series resistors  $R_S$  are optional. These series resistors protect the input stages of the MAX5812 from high-voltage spikes on the bus lines and minimize crosstalk and undershoot of the bus signals.

### Bit Transfer

One data bit is transferred during each SCL clock cycle. The data on SDA must remain stable during the high period of the SCL clock pulse. Changes in SDA while the SCL is high are control signals (see the *START and STOP Conditions* section). SDA and SCL idle high when the I<sup>2</sup>C bus is not busy.

### START and STOP Conditions

When the serial interface is inactive, SDA and SCL idle high. A master device initiates communication by issuing a START condition. A START condition is a high-to-

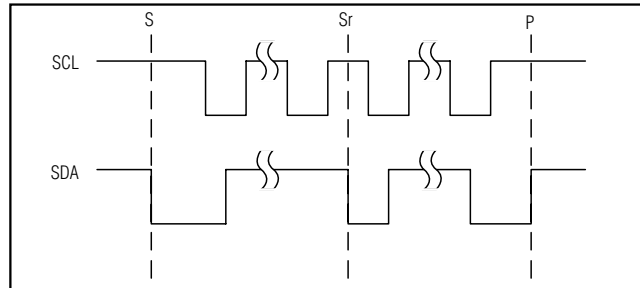


Figure 2. START/STOP Conditions

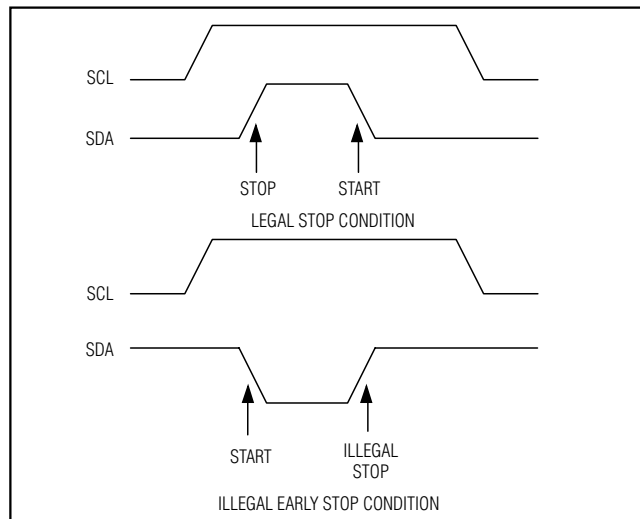


Figure 3. Early STOP condition



# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

low transition on SDA with SCL high. A STOP condition is a low-to-high transition on SDA while SCL is high (Figure 2). A START condition from the master signals the beginning of a transmission to the MAX5812. The master terminates transmission by issuing a not acknowledge followed by a STOP condition (see the *Acknowledge Bit* section). The STOP condition frees the bus. If a repeated START condition ( $S_r$ ) is generated instead of a STOP condition, the bus remains active. When a STOP condition or incorrect address is detected, the MAX5812 internally disconnects SCL from the serial interface until the next START condition, minimizing digital noise and feedthrough.

### Early STOP Conditions

The MAX5812 recognizes a STOP condition at any point during transmission except when a STOP condition occurs in the same high pulse as a START condition (Figure 3). This condition is not a legal I<sup>2</sup>C format, at least one clock pulse must separate any START and STOP conditions.

### Repeated START Conditions

A repeated start ( $S_r$ ) condition might indicate a change of data direction on the bus. Such a change occurs when a command word is required to initiate a read operation.  $S_r$  also can be used when the bus master is writing to several I<sup>2</sup>C devices and does not want to relinquish control of the bus. The MAX5812 serial interface supports continuous write operations with or without an  $S_r$  condition separating them. Continuous read operations require  $S_r$  conditions because of the change in direction of data flow.

### Acknowledge Bit (ACK)

The acknowledge bit (ACK) is the ninth bit attached to any 8-bit data word. ACK is always generated by the receiving device. The MAX5812 generates an ACK when receiving an address or data by pulling SDA low during the ninth clock period. When transmitting data, the MAX5812 waits for the receiving device to generate an ACK. Monitoring ACK allows detection of unsuccessful data transfers. An unsuccessful data transfer occurs if a receiving device is busy or if a system fault has occurred. In the event of an unsuccessful data transfer, the bus master should reattempt communication at a later time.

### Slave Address

A bus master initiates communication with a slave device by issuing a START condition followed by the 7-bit slave address (Figure 4). When idle, the MAX5812 waits for a START condition followed by its slave address. The serial interface compares each address

**Table 2. MAX5812 I<sup>2</sup>C Slave Addresses**

PART	V <sub>ADD</sub>	DEVICE ADDRESS (A <sub>6</sub> ...A <sub>0</sub> )
MAX5812L	GND	0010 000
MAX5812L	V <sub>DD</sub>	0010 001
MAX5812M	GND	0010 010
MAX5812M	V <sub>DD</sub>	0010 011
MAX5812N	GND	0110 100
MAX5812N	V <sub>DD</sub>	0110 101
MAX5812P	GND	1010 100
MAX5812P	V <sub>DD</sub>	1010 101

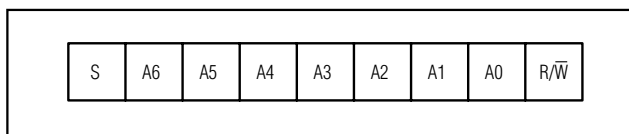


Figure 4. Slave Address Byte Definition

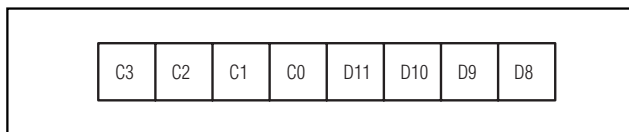


Figure 5. Command Byte Definition

value bit-by-bit, allowing the interface to power-down immediately when an incorrect address is detected. The LSB of the address word is the Read/Write ( $R/\overline{W}$ ) bit.  $R/\overline{W}$  indicates whether the master is writing to or reading from the MAX5812 ( $R/\overline{W} = 0$  selects the write condition,  $R/\overline{W} = 1$  selects the read condition). After receiving the proper address, the MAX5812 issues an ACK by pulling SDA low for one clock cycle.

The MAX5812 has eight factory/user-programmed addresses (Table 2). Address bits A<sub>6</sub> through A<sub>1</sub> are preset; A<sub>0</sub> is controlled by ADD. Connecting ADD to GND sets A<sub>0</sub> = 0. Connecting ADD to V<sub>DD</sub> sets A<sub>0</sub> = 1. This feature allows up to eight MAX5812s to share a bus.

### Write Data Format

In write mode ( $R/\overline{W} = 0$ ), data that follows the address byte controls the MAX5812 (Figure 5). Bits C<sub>3</sub>–C<sub>0</sub> configure the MAX5812 (Table 3). Bits D<sub>11</sub>–D<sub>0</sub> are DAC data. Input and DAC registers update on the falling edge of SCL during the acknowledge bit. Should the write cycle be prematurely aborted, data will not be updated and the write cycle must be repeated. Figure 6 shows two example write data sequences.

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

**Table 3. Command Byte Definitions**

SERIAL DATA INPUT							FUNCTION
C3	C2	C1	C0	D11/PD1*	D10/PD0*	D9–D8	
1	1	0	0	DAC DATA	DAC DATA	DAC DATA	Load DAC with a new data from the following data byte and update DAC output simultaneously as soon as data is available from the serial bus. The DAC and input registers are updated with the new data.
1	1	0	1	DAC DATA	DAC DATA	DAC DATA	Load input register with the data from the following data byte. DAC output remains unchanged.
1	1	1	0	DAC DATA	DAC DATA	DAC DATA	Load input register with data from the following data byte. Update DAC output to the previously stored data.
1	1	1	1	X	X	XX	Update DAC output from input register. The device will ignore any new data.
1	0	X	X	X	X	XX	Read data request. Data bits are ignored. The contents of the DAC register are available on the bus.
0	1	X	X	0	0	XX	Powers up device.
0	1	X	X	0	1	XX	Power-down mode 0. Powers down device with output floating.
0	1	X	X	1	0	XX	Power-down mode 1. Powers down device with output terminated with 1kΩ to GND.
0	1	X	X	1	1	XX	Power-down mode 2. Powers down device with output terminated with 100kΩ to GND.

\*When C3 = 0 and C2 = 1, data bits D11 and D10 write to the power-down registers (PD1 and PD0).  
 X = Don't care.

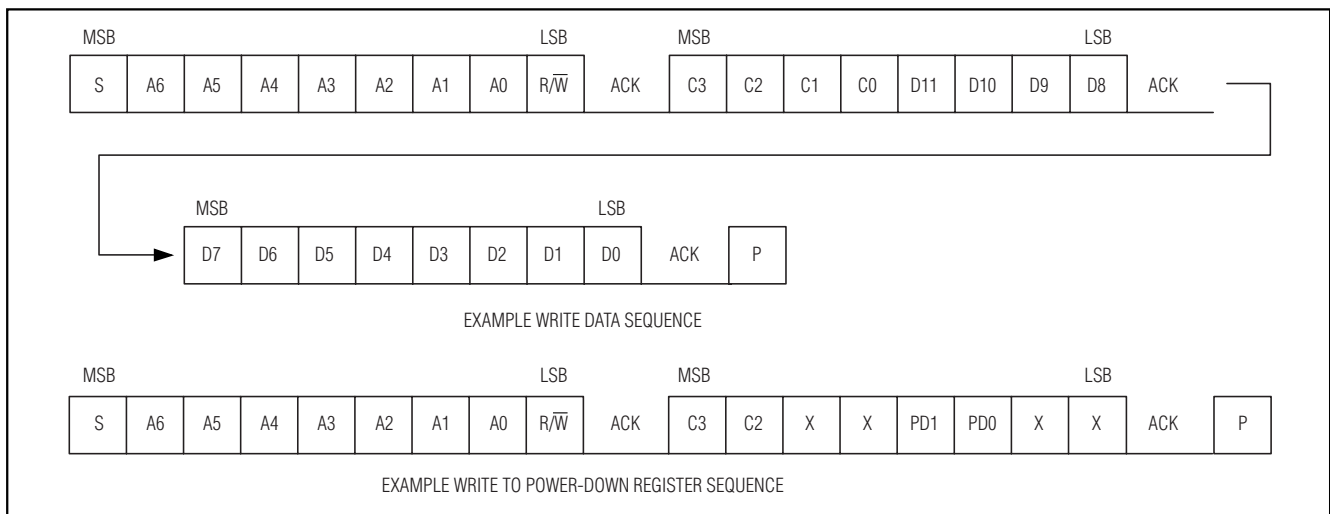


Figure 6. Example Write Command Sequences

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

MAX5812

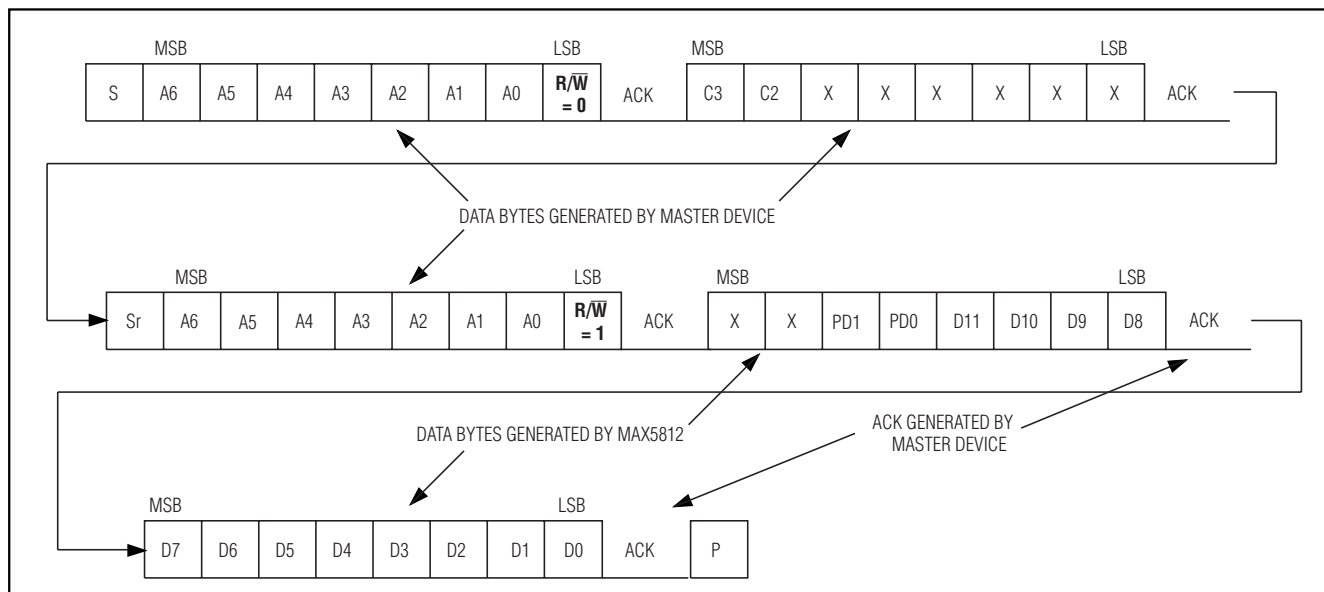


Figure 7. Example Read Word Data Sequence

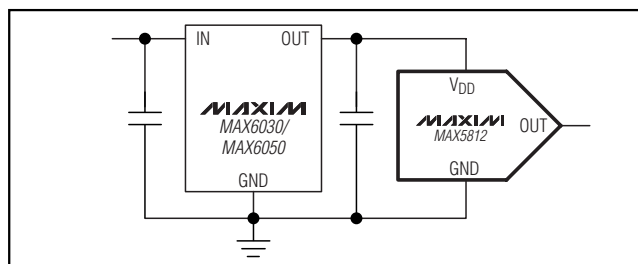


Figure 8. Powering the MAX5812 from An External Reference

### Read Data Format

In read mode ( $R/\bar{W} = 1$ ), the MAX5812 writes the contents of the DAC register to the bus. The direction of data flow reverses after the address acknowledge by the MAX5812. The device transmits the first byte of data, waits for the master to acknowledge, and then transmits the second byte. Figure 7 shows an example-read data sequence.

### I<sup>2</sup>C Compatibility

The MAX5812 is compatible with existing I<sup>2</sup>C systems. SCL and SDA are high-impedance inputs; SDA has an open drain that pulls the data line low during the ninth clock pulse. The *Typical Operating Circuit* shows a typical I<sup>2</sup>C application. The communication protocol supports standard I<sup>2</sup>C 8-bit communications. The general call address is ignored. The MAX5812 address is com-

patible only with the 7-bit I<sup>2</sup>C addressing protocol. Ten-bit address formats are not supported.

### Digital Feedthrough Suppression

When the MAX5812 detects an address mismatch, the serial interface disconnects the SCL signal from the core circuitry. This minimizes digital feedthrough caused by the SCL signal on a static output. The serial interface reconnects the SCL signal when a valid START condition is detected.

## Applications Information

### Powering the Device From an External Reference

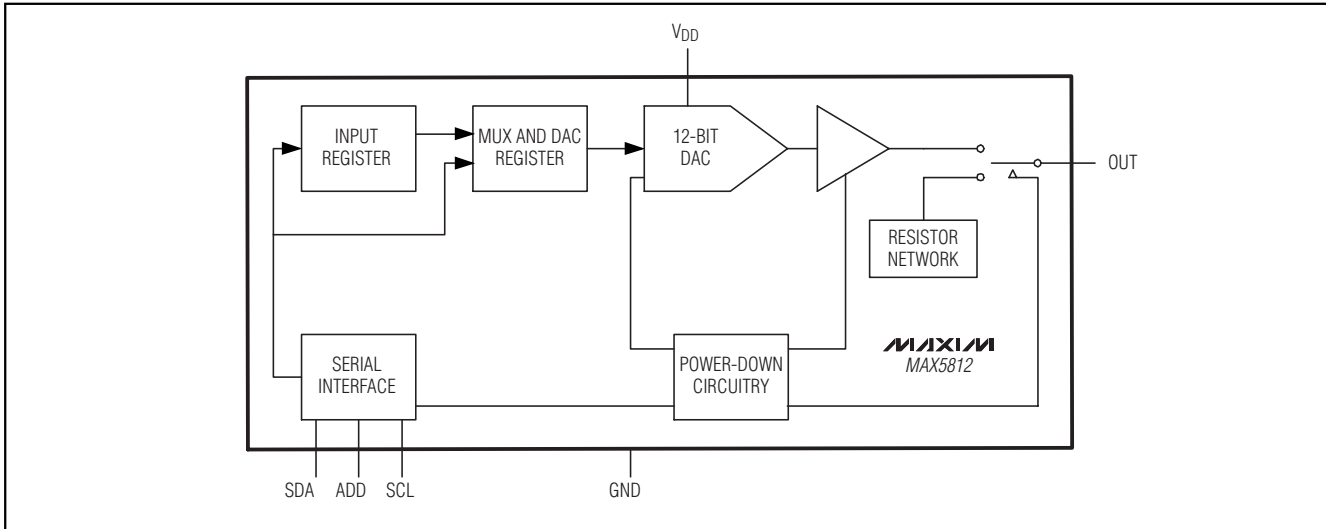
The MAX5812 uses the V<sub>DD</sub> as the DAC voltage reference. Any power-supply noise is directly coupled to the device output. The circuit in Figure 8 uses a precision voltage reference to power the MAX5812, isolating the device from any power-supply noise. Powering the MAX5812 in such a manner greatly improves overall performance, especially in noisy systems. The MAX6030 (3V, 75ppm/°C) or the MAX6050 (5V, 75ppm/°C) precision voltage references are ideal choices because of the low power requirements of the MAX5812.

### Digital Inputs and Interface Logic

The MAX5812 2-wire digital interface is I<sup>2</sup>C and SMBus-compatible. The two digital inputs (SCL and SDA) load

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

## Functional Diagram



the digital input serially into the DAC. Schmitt-trigger buffered inputs allow slow transition interfaces such as optocouplers to interface directly to the device. The digital inputs are compatible with CMOS logic levels.

### Power-Supply Bypassing and Ground Management

Careful PC board layout is important for optimal system performance. Keep analog and digital signals separate to reduce noise injection and digital feedthrough. Use a ground plane to ensure that the ground return from GND to the power supply ground is short and low impedance. Bypass  $V_{DD}$  with a  $0.1\mu\text{F}$  capacitor to ground as close to the device as possible.

### Selector Guide

PART	ADDRESS
MAX5812LEUT	0010 00X
MAX5812MEUT	0010 01X
MAX5812NEUT	0110 10X
MAX5812PEUT	1010 10X

### Chip Information

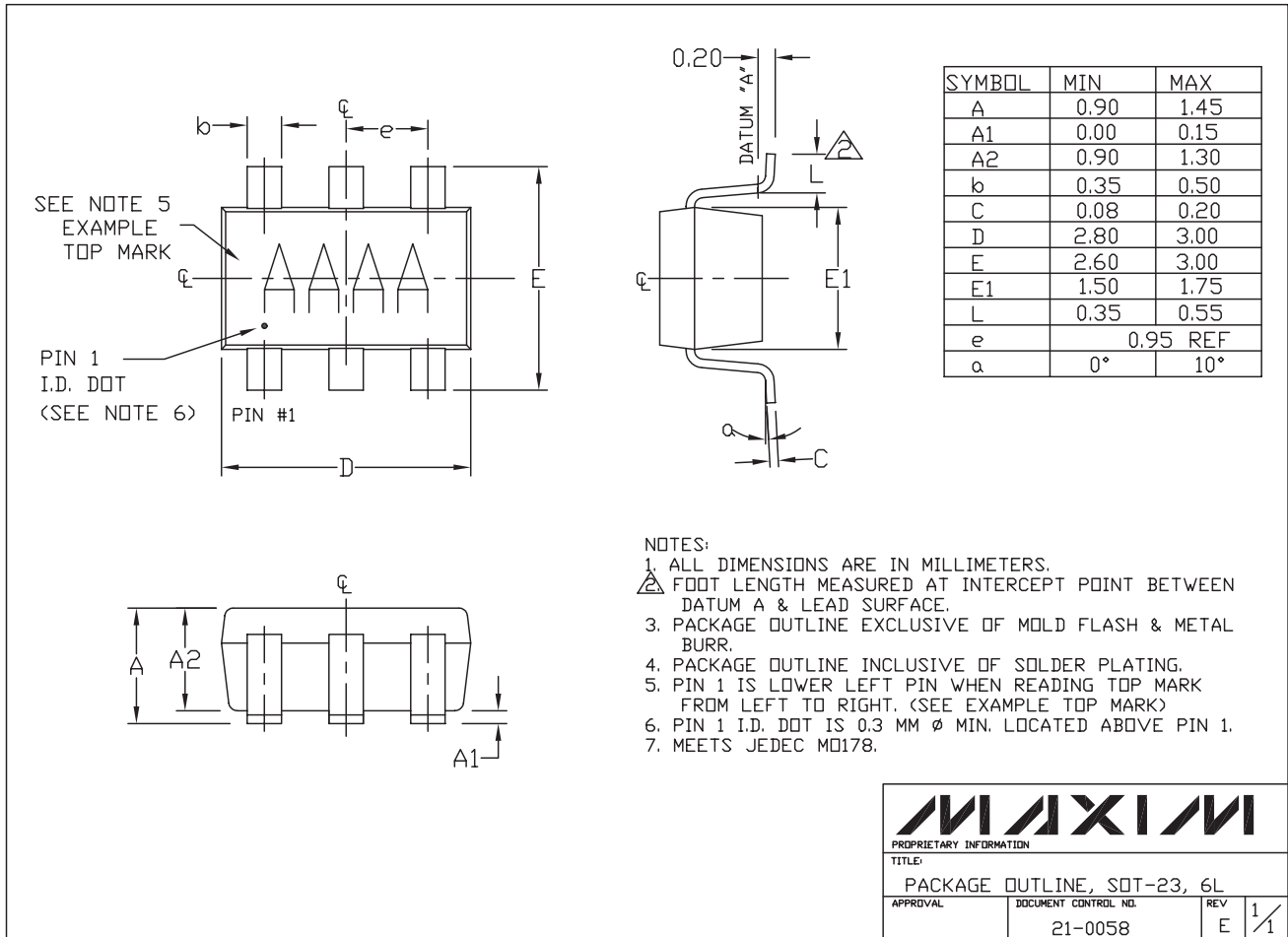
TRANSISTOR COUNT: 7172

PROCESS: BiCMOS

# 12-Bit Low-Power, 2-Wire, Serial Voltage-Output DAC

## Package Information

MAX5812



Maxim cannot assume responsibility for use of any circuitry other than circuitry entirely embodied in a Maxim product. No circuit patent licenses are implied. Maxim reserves the right to change the circuitry and specifications without notice at any time.

Maxim Integrated Products, 120 San Gabriel Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94086 408-737-7600 \_\_\_\_\_ 13