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FAN8841 Dual Half-Bridge Piezoelectric Driver with Step-up DC-DC Converter

Features

Step-up DC-DC Converter

- Integrated Step-up Power Switch up to 36 V
- Wide Operating Voltage Range of 2.7 to 5.5 V
- Adjustable Step-up Output Voltage by V_{CON}
- Adjustable Step-up Switch Current Limit
- Zero Current Detector (ZCD)
- Internal Soft-Start
- Built-in Protection Circuit
	- Under-Voltage Protection (UVP)
	- Over-Voltage Protection (OVP)

Piezo Actuator Driver

- Integrated Half-Bridge Switches ($V_{DS}=75$ V)
- Dual Half-Bridge Piezoelectric Driver
- Built-in Shutdown Function

Package Information

Small 4.0 mm \times 4.0 mm MLP

Applications

Piezoelectric Actuator

Description

The FAN8841 is a single-chip piezoelectric actuator driver consisting of a step-up DC-DC converter with integrated 36 V boost switch and the dual half-bridge output stages. The step-up DC-DC converter operates in Critical Conduction Mode (CRM) in order to reduce switching loss at the DC-DC converter for high efficiency. It is optimized to work in a coupled-inductor configuration to provide output voltages in excess of 60 V. The step-up DC-DC converter has a soft-start capability that limits the inrush current during startup. Over-voltage protection and over-current protection are included. Under-voltage protection is used to disable the dual half-bridge gate driver when the step-up DC-DC converter output voltage is lower than the specified threshold voltage. The boost voltage is set using external resistors and analog voltage at the V_{CON} pin and step-up current limit is programmable via the external resistor at the OCP pin. The output Half-bridge is integrated with 75 V P- and N-channel for the piezoelectric actuator driving. An open drain Fault-out (FO) signal indicates if an abnormal over-voltage has occurred.

Ordering Information

Pin Configuration

Pin Definitions

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses exceeding the absolute maximum ratings may damage the device. The device may not function or be operable above the recommended operating conditions and stressing the parts to these levels is not recommended. In addition, extended exposure to stresses above the recommended operating conditions may affect device reliability. The absolute maximum ratings are stress ratings only.

Notes:

1. All voltage values, except differential voltages, are given with respect to SGND, AGND and PGND pin.

2. JEDEC standard: JESD51-2, JESD51-3. Mounted on 76.2 x 114.3 x1.6 mm PCB (FR-4 glass epoxy material).
3. 1S0P with thermal via: one signal layer with zero power plane and thermal via.

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4. 1S2P with thermal via: one signal layer with two power plane and thermal via

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Recommended Operating Conditions

The Recommended Operating Conditions table defines the conditions for actual device operation. Recommended operating conditions are specified to ensure optimal performance. Fairchild does not recommend exceeding them or designing to Absolute Maximum Ratings.

Electrical Characteristics

 $V_{DD}=3.0$ V, $V_{DRV}=60$ V, and $T_{A}=40^{\circ}$ C to +125°C. Typical values $T_{A}=25^{\circ}$ C, unless otherwise specified.

Notes:

5. This is only the V_{DD} current consumption with no switching condition. It does not include gate-drive current.

6. The line regulation is calculated based on $\frac{\triangleq \omega_{0L}}{\Delta V_{N}} \times \frac{1}{V_{OUT}}$ $\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{N}}\times\frac{1}{V_{N}}$ $\frac{\Delta V_{OUT}}{\Delta V_{N}} \times \frac{1}{V_{OI}}$ $\frac{\Delta V_{OUT}}{\Delta V} \times \frac{1}{V}$.

7. This parameter, although guaranteed by design, is not tested in production.

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Notes:

9. X: Don't care (L or H).

10. EN: Whole system is disable mode when EN is LOW state.

11. Soft-start duration: **C**, under-voltage condition of V_{DRV}: **B.**

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Functional Description

The FAN8841 has a basic PWM controller for Step-up DC-DC converter topology in Critical Conduction Mode (CRM) and integrated Dual half–bridge drivers. To increase efficiency of the DC-DC converter, FAN8841 has a Zero Current Detection (ZCD) function for CRM control. It can reduce Step-up DC-DC converter switching loss at MOSFET turn on time. The FAN8841 Step-up DC-DC converter supports output voltage up to 36 V with the use of a commercial inductor since the absolute maximum voltage of internal switching FET V_{DS} is 40 V. If the use requires a driving voltage higher than 36 V, it is recommended to use a coupled inductor, since the internal half-bridge absolute maximum voltage is 75 V.

The device architecture is that of a current mode controller with an internal sensing resistor connected in series with the NMOS switch. The voltage at the feedback pin tracks the output voltage at the cathode of the external Schottky diode. The internal error amplifier amplifies the difference between the feedback voltage and the internal reference voltage. Its error signal is applied to the input of a compensator and is compared to the current of the main switch which produces the appropriate duty cycle of the main switch in the inner loop. The amplified error voltage serves as a reference voltage to the internal PWM comparator. The PWM comparator resets the latch when the RAMP generator signal meets the error amp output level. The ZCD signal sets the latch and the SR latch turns on the FET switch. Since the comparator input contains information about the output voltage and the control loop is arranged to form a negative feedback loop, the value of the peak inductor current is adjusted to the driving power.

Every time the latch is reset, the FET is turned off and the current flow through the switch is terminated. The latch can be reset by other events as well. Over-current condition is monitored by the current limit comparator which resets the latch and turns off the switch instantaneously within each clock cycle.

Soft Startup

The FAN8841 has a Soft Startup function to prevent inrush current during the Step-up DC-DC converter startup. When the EN pin voltage goes HIGH from LOW, the Step-up DC-DC converter is turned on, the COMP is pre-charged, and inverting input of the internal error amplifier reference voltage starts up gradually with regular slope. This time is typically 28 ms at the $maximum$ $V_{CON.}$

Adjustable V_{DRV} Voltage (V_{CON} Control)

The FAN8841 can control the Step-up DC-DC converter output voltage without changing the resistive feedback divider using the V_{CON} pin. The V_{CON} is controlled directly by the external DC voltage or external resistance value. V_{CON} control range is fixed from 0.1 to 1.0 V. If V_{CON} voltage decreases below $0.1 V$ or increases higher than 1.0 V, V_{DRV} voltage fixed on minimum or maximum voltage due to the internal clamp level. If the user wants a fixed V_{DRV} voltage, it is recommended that the V_{CON} pin is connected with V_{DD} voltage.

Zero Current Detection (ZCD)

The Step-up DC-DC converter of the FAN8841 operates in CRM method with ZCD function. The ZCD is detected instantly when the inductor current goes to zero voltage switching operation. Once the boost inductor current becomes zero, the output capacitor of the main FET (C_{OSS}) and the magnetizing inductor of the coupled inductor (L1) resonate together, and the drain voltage of the main switch decreases, as shown in [Figure 26.](#page-11-0) Since the ZCD pin can be connected to the switching diode anode, the FAN8841 detects when the diode anode voltage reaches its minimum value directly. The threshold voltage to detect the anode voltage inside the ZCD pin is typically 1.83 V. Therefore, the next switching begins after the anode voltage reaches 1.83 V, and has a 200 ns maximum delay to the next gate turn-on.

The resistor R_{ZCD} is obtained as follows:

$$
R_{ZCD} \ge \frac{(V_{DRV} + 0.7) - V_{CLAMPH}}{I_{ZCD}}
$$
 (1)

Over-Current Protection (OCP)

The Over-Current Protection (OCP) function of the FAN8841 limits the inductor peak current of the Step-up DC-DC converter via an external resistor R_{OCP}. The adjustable current limit should be less than the rated saturation limit of the inductor by the user to avoid the damage to both the inductor and FAN8841.

V_{DRV} Under-Voltage Protection

The driving voltage of the internal dual Half-bridge is received from the V_{DRV} pin. The internal 5 V LDO for driving the internal gate driver is also received from the V_{DRV} pin. For supplying a stable power to the internal gate driver, V_{DRV} has an under-voltage protection function. If the V_{DRV} voltage is less than 11 V typically, during normal operation, the internal gate driver is turned off. When the V_{DRV} voltage exceeds 12 V typically, the internal gate driver is turned on.

Over-Voltage Protection (OVP)

The FAN8841 features a unique V_{DRV} monitoring to maximize the safety when the feedback voltage is higher than the specified threshold voltage. The OVP comparator shuts down the output drive block when the voltage of the FB pin is higher than 1.1 V.

At the normal operating condition, Fault Out signal maintains on V_{DD} voltage, but the abnormal over-voltage has occurred at V_{DRV}, Fault Out signal goes low during typ. 20 µs.

Application information

Setting the Output Voltage

The internal reference is 1.0 V (Typical) and it controlled by the V_{CON} voltage. The output voltage is divided by the external resistor divider, R_{FB1} and R_{FB2} to the FB pin. The output voltage is given by:

$$
V_{DRV} = V_{REF} \left(1 + \frac{R_{FB1}}{R_{FB2}}\right) \tag{2}
$$

Inductor Selection

To prevent the absolute maximum voltage in the operating condition, the switching voltage V_{LX} should be lower than 36 V, as shown i[n Figure 28.](#page-12-0)

Figure 28. Schematic of Coupled Inductor Boost Converter

 V_{LX} is determined by the output voltage, input voltage and coupled inductor turn ratio. The V_{LX} voltage is calculated as follows:

$$
V_{LX} = V_{LNPUT} + \frac{V_O - V_{LNPUT}}{n+1} = \frac{V_O + nV_{LNPUT}}{n+1}
$$
 (3)

Therefore, the turn's ratio can be easily obtained as the following equations:

$$
i = \frac{V_O - V_{LX}}{V_{LX} - V_{INPUT}}\tag{4}
$$

To determine the turn's ratio, the input voltage variation has to be considered as well.

The inductor parameters are directly related to the device performance, saturation current and DC resistance. The lower the DC resistance, the higher efficiency. Usually a trade-off between inductor size, cost and overall efficiency is needed to make the optimum choice.

The inductor saturation current should be rated around 2 A at maximum power in the FAN8841. If to use a low saturation current inductor under 2 A due to inductor size, it is possible using the OCP level control.

Figure 29. Current Waveform

In CRM operation, the inductance can be obtained from the slope of the inductor current, as shown in [Figure 29.](#page-12-1) During FET turn off period, the inductor current flows through the diode. The diode peak current is expressed as follows:

$$
I_{D,PK} = \frac{2I_{OUT}}{1-d}
$$
 (5)

n

And then, the peak current of the main switch is obtained as follows:

$$
I_{PK} = \frac{2I_{OUT}(1+n)}{1-d}
$$
, or $I_{PK} = \frac{V_{INPUT}}{L_1} dT_s$ (6)

The inductance value obtained as follows:

$$
L_1 = \frac{V_{DPUT} dT_s}{I_{PK}} = \frac{V_{NPUT} d(1-d)T_s}{2I_{OUT}(1+n)}
$$
(7)

If a user wants a commercial inductor at output voltage under 35 V condition, n(turns ratio at using coupled inductor) should be substituted the value zero, (turns ratio at using coupled inductor).

Output Capacitor Selection

The value of the output capacitor can be selected based on the output voltage ripple requirements. Without consideration of the effect of Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR) as output capacitors, the output voltage ripple in a peak-to-peak manner is obtained as follows:

$$
V_{ripple,pp} = \frac{\left(2d + \frac{(1-d)^2}{2}\right) \cdot I_{OUT} \cdot T_s}{2C_O} \tag{8}
$$

where V_{ripple,pp} is the output voltage ripple in peak-topeak manner. Therefore, the output capacitance can be selected with the given output voltages ripple specification as follows:

$$
C_O \ge \frac{\left(2d + \frac{(1-d)^2}{2}\right) \cdot I_{OUT} \cdot T_s}{2V_{ripplapp}}
$$
\n(9)

Diode Selection

The external diode used for the rectification is usually a Schottky diode. It's average forward current and reverse voltage maximum ratings should exceed the load current and the voltage at the output of the converter respectively.

A care should be taken to avoid any short circuit of V_{OUT} to GND, even with the IC disabled, since the diode can be instantly damaged by the excessive current.

BOTTOM VIEW

BOTTOM VIEW PIN ONE OPTIONS

NOTES:

- A. CONFORMS TO JEDEC REGISTRATION MO-220, VARIATION WGGD-6.
- B. DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS.
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