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# **DRV883x Low-Voltage H-Bridge Driver**

# **1 Features**

- H-Bridge Motor Driver
	- Drives a DC Motor or Other Loads
	- Low MOSFET On-Resistance: HS + LS 280 mΩ
- 1.8-A Maximum Drive Current
- Separate Motor and Logic Supply Pins:
	- Motor VM: 0 to 11 V
	- $-$  Logic VCC: 1.8 to 7 V
- PWM or PH-EN Interface
	- DRV8837: PWM, IN1 and IN2
	- DRV8838: PH and EN
- Low-Power Sleep Mode With 120-nA Maximum Sleep Current
	- nSLEEP pin
- Small Package and Footprint
	- 8-Pin WSON With Thermal Pad
	- $-2.0 \times 2.0$  mm
- Protection Features
	- VCC Undervoltage Lockout (UVLO)
	- Overcurrent Protection (OCP)
	- Thermal Shutdown (TSD)

# **2 Applications**

- Cameras
- DSLR Lenses
- Consumer Products
- **Toys**
- Robotics
- **Medical Devices**

# **3 Description**

The DRV883x family of devices provides an integrated motor driver solution for cameras, consumer products, toys, and other low-voltage or battery-powered motion control applications. The device can drive one dc motor or other devices like solenoids. The output driver block consists of Nchannel power MOSFETs configured as an H-bridge to drive the motor winding. An internal charge pump generates needed gate drive voltages.

The DRV883x family of devices can supply up to

1.8 A of output current. It operates on a motor power supply voltage from 0 to 11 V, and a device power supply voltage of 1.8 V to 7 V.

The DRV8837 device has a PWM (IN1-IN2) input interface; the DRV8838 device has a PH-EN input interface. Both interfaces are compatible with industry-standard devices.

Internal shutdown functions are provided for overcurrent protection, short-circuit protection, undervoltage lockout, and overtemperature.

**Device Information**(1)



(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.



**DRV883x Simplified Diagram**



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# **4 Revision History**

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# <span id="page-3-0"></span>**5 Pin Configuration and Functions**





**Thermal Pad DRV8838 Top View**

## **Pin Functions**



# **5.1 Dapper Pin Functions**









# <span id="page-5-0"></span>**6 Specifications 6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings**

over operating ambient temperature range (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup><sup>(2)</sup>



(1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions*. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

(2) All voltage values are with respect to network ground pin.

# **6.2 ESD Ratings**

over operating ambient temperature range (unless otherwise noted)



(1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

(2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

# **6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions**

over operating ambient temperature range (unless otherwise noted) $(1)$ 



(1) Power dissipation and thermal limits must be observed.

# **6.4 Thermal Information**

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)



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over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)



(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal limits, see the *[Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SPRA953)* application report.



# <span id="page-7-0"></span>**6.5 Electrical Characteristics**

 $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C, over recommended operating conditions unless otherwise noted



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# **6.6 Timing Requirements**

 $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C, VM = 5 V, VCC = 3 V, RL = 20 Ω





**Figure 6-1. Input and Output Timing for DRV8838**



**Figure 6-2. Input and Output Timing for DRV8837**



# <span id="page-9-0"></span>**6.7 Typical Characteristics**



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# **7 Detailed Description**

# **7.1 Overview**

The DRV883x family of devices is an H-bridge driver that can drive one dc motor or other devices like solenoids. The outputs are controlled using either a PWM interface (IN1 and IN2) on the DRV8837 device or a PH-EN interface on the DRV8838 device.

A low-power sleep mode is included, which can be enabled using the nSLEEP pin.

These devices greatly reduce the component count of motor driver systems by integrating the necessary driver FETs and FET control circuitry into a single device. In addition, the DRV883x family of devices adds protection features beyond traditional discrete implementations: undervoltage lockout, overcurrent protection, and thermal shutdown.

#### **7.2 Functional Block Diagram**



**Figure 7-1. DRV8837 Functional Block Diagram**



**Figure 7-2. DRV8838 Functional Block Diagram**

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#### **7.3 Feature Description**

#### **7.3.1 Bridge Control**

The DRV8837 device is controlled using a PWM input interface, also called an IN-IN interface. Each output is controlled by a corresponding input pin.

Table 7-1 shows the logic for the DRV8837 device.



#### **Table 7-1. DRV8837 Device Logic**

The DRV8838 device is controlled using a PHASE/ENABLE interface. This interface uses one pin to control the H-bridge current direction, and one pin to enable or disable the H-bridge.

Table 7-2 shows the logic for the DRV8838.



#### **Table 7-2. DRV8838 Device Logic**

#### **7.3.2 Independent Half-Bridge Control**

Independent half-bridge control is possible with the DRV8837 without adopting more discrete components, as shown in Section 7.3.2. Two inductive loads (M1 and M2), which could be motors or solenoids, are tied between VM and OUTx, while the corresponding inputs (C1 and C2) are swapped before being fed to INx.





The control logic for independent half-bridge drive is shown in [Table 7-3](#page-13-0). Columns INx and OUTx show the original logic of the DRV8837. Note that although a swap is included in this implementation, it is still valid that <span id="page-13-0"></span> $Cx = 1$  spins a motor or energizes a solenoid connected at corresponding Mx, while  $Cx = 0$ , stops the motor or discharges the solenoid.





Figure 7-4 shows the driving mode and the two current decay paths during current regulation when PWM input control is used. The driving mode occurs when the corresponding half-bridge Cx signal is *HIGH*. When the Cx signal is *LOW*, the corresponging half bridge can go into either braking mode 1 or braking mode 2. In braking mode 1, both the high- and low-side MOSFETs of the half-bridge are tri-stated, and the recirculation current flows through the body diode of the high-side MOSFET as well as the motor itself. This braking mode happens when both C1 and C2 are *LOW*. If one of the Cx input is *LOW* and the other HIGH, the half-bridge corresponding to the *LOW* Cx input will go into braking mode 2. In braking mode 2, the low-side FET is *OFF* while its high-side counterpart is *ON*. The recirculation current flows through the high-side MOSFET and the motor.



**Figure 7-4. Normal Driving and Current Decay Modes**

When each of the Cx inputs are independently controlled with different PWM frequencies and duty cycle, each half-bridge will go into a combination of braking mode 1 and braking mode 2. [Figure 7-5](#page-14-0) show a driving and decay example with independent PWM inputs. If the half-bridge spends more time in braking mode 1, the motor average speed will be lower since more power is dissipated through the MOSFET body diode. To reduce the power dissipated during braking mode 1, it is recommended to placed Schottky diodes with forward voltage less than 0.6V across the motors as shown in [Figure 7-6](#page-14-0). Note that if On/Off control mode (constant HIGH or LOW at inputs) is used, the two braking modes do not interact with each other and hence have no effect on the average speed of the two motors.

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**Figure 7-5. Driving and Decay Examples with Independent PWM Inputs**



**Figure 7-6. Improved Application Circuit for Better Motor Performance**

#### **7.3.3 Sleep Mode**

If the nSLEEP pin is brought to a logic-low state, the DRV883x family of devices enters a low-power sleep mode. In this state, all unnecessary internal circuitry is powered down.



#### <span id="page-15-0"></span>**7.3.4 Power Supplies and Input Pins**

The input pins can be driven within the recommended operating conditions with or without the VCC, VM, or both power supplies present. No leakage current path will exist to the supply. Each input pin has a weak pulldown resistor (approximately 100 kΩ) to ground.

The VCC and VM supplies can be applied and removed in any order. When the VCC supply is removed, the device enters a low-power state and draws very little current from the VM supply. The VCC and VM pins can be connected together if the supply voltage is between 1.8 and 7 V.

The VM voltage supply does not have any undervoltage-lockout protection (UVLO) so as long as VCC > 1.8 V; the internal device logic remains active, which means that the VM pin voltage can drop to 0 V. However, the load cannot be sufficiently driven at low VM voltages.

#### **7.3.5 Protection Circuits**

The DRV883x family of devices is fully protected against VCC undervoltage, overcurrent, and overtemperature events.

#### *7.3.5.1 VCC Undervoltage Lockout*

If at any time the voltage on the VCC pin falls below the undervoltage lockout threshold voltage, all FETs in the H-bridge are disabled. Operation resumes when the VCC pin voltage rises above the UVLO threshold.

#### *7.3.5.2 Overcurrent Protection (OCP)*

An analog current-limit circuit on each FET limits the current through the FET by removing the gate drive. If this analog current limit persists for longer than  $t_{DEG}$ , all FETs in the H-bridge are disabled. Operation resumes automatically after  $t_{\text{RETRY}}$  has elapsed. Overcurrent conditions are detected on both the high-side and low-side FETs. A short to the VM pin, GND, or from the OUT1 pin to the OUT2 pin results in an overcurrent condition.

#### *7.3.5.3 Thermal Shutdown (TSD)*

If the die temperature exceeds safe limits, all FETs in the H-bridge are disabled. After the die temperature falls to a safe level, operation automatically resumes.

#### *7.3.5.4*



#### **Table 7-4. Fault Behavior**

#### **7.4 Device Functional Modes**

The DRV883x family of devices is active unless the nSLEEP pin is brought logic low. In sleep mode, the H-bridge FETs are disabled Hi-Z. The DRV883x is brought out of sleep mode automatically if nSLEEP is brought logic high.

The H-bridge outputs are disabled during undervoltage lockout, overcurrent, and overtemperature fault conditions.



#### **Table 7-5. Operation Modes**

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### **Application and Implementation**

#### **Note**

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

### **8.1 Application Information**

The DRV883x family of devices is device is used to drive one dc motor or other devices like solenoids. The following design procedure can be used to configure the DRV883x family of devices.

#### **8.2 Typical Application**



**Figure 8-1. Schematic of DRV883x Application**

#### **8.2.1 Design Requirements**

Table 8-1 lists the required parameters for a typical usage case.



#### **Table 8-1. System Design Requirements**

#### **8.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure**

#### *8.2.2.1 Motor Voltage*

The appropriate motor voltage depends on the ratings of the motor selected and the desired RPM. A higher voltage spins a brushed dc motor faster with the same PWM duty cycle applied to the power FETs. A higher voltage also increases the rate of current change through the inductive motor windings.

#### *8.2.2.2 Low-Power Operation*

When entering sleep mode, TI recommends setting all inputs as a logic low to minimize system power.



## **8.2.3 Application Curves**



#### **Note**

DIR\_V is an indication of the motor direction. It is not a pin of the DRV883x device.



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# **8 Power Supply Recommendations**

### **8.1 Bulk Capacitance**

Having appropriate local bulk capacitance is an important factor in motor-drive system design. It is generally beneficial to have more bulk capacitance, while the disadvantages are increased cost and physical size.

The amount of local capacitance needed depends on a variety of factors, including:

- The highest current required by the motor system
- The power-supply capacitance and ability to source current
- The amount of parasitic inductance between the power supply and motor system
- The acceptable voltage ripple
- The type of motor used (brushed dc, brushless dc, stepper)
- The motor braking method

The inductance between the power supply and motor drive system limits the rate at which current can change from the power supply. If the local bulk capacitance is too small, the system responds to excessive current demands or dumps from the motor with a change in voltage. When adequate bulk capacitance is used, the motor voltage remains stable and high current can be quickly supplied.

The data sheet generally provides a recommended value, but system-level testing is required to determine the appropriate size of bulk capacitor.



**Figure 8-1. Example Setup of Motor Drive System With External Power Supply**

The voltage rating for bulk capacitors should be higher than the operating voltage, to provide margin for cases when the motor transfers energy to the supply



# <span id="page-19-0"></span>**9 Layout**

## **9.1 Layout Guidelines**

The VM and VCC pins should be bypassed to GND using low-ESR ceramic bypass capacitors with a recommended value of 0.1 µF rated for VM and VCC . These capacitors should be placed as close to the VM and VCC pins as possible with a thick trace or ground plane connection to the device GND pin.

## **9.2 Layout Example**



**Figure 9-1. Simplified Layout Example**

### **9.3 Power Dissipation**

Power dissipation in the DRV883x family of devices is dominated by the power dissipated in the output FET resistance, or r<sub>DS(on)</sub>. Use Equation 1 to estimate the average power dissipation when running a stepper motor.

$$
P_{\text{TOT}} = r_{DS(on)} \times (I_{\text{OUT(RMS)}})^2 \tag{1}
$$

where

- $P_{TOT}$  is the total power dissipation
- $r_{DS(on)}$  is the resistance of the HS plus LS FETs
- $I<sub>OUT(RMS)</sub>$  is the rms or dc output current being supplied to the load

The maximum amount of power that can be dissipated in the device is dependent on ambient temperature and heatsinking.

#### **Note**

The value of  $r_{DS(on)}$  increases with temperature, so as the device heats, the power dissipation increases.

The DRV883x family of devices has thermal shutdown protection. If the die temperature exceeds approximately 150°C, the device is disabled until the temperature drops to a safe level.

Any tendency of the device to enter thermal shutdown is an indication of either excessive power dissipation, insufficient heatsinking, or too high an ambient temperature.

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# **10 Device and Documentation Support**

### **10.1 Documentation Support**

### **10.1.1 Related Documentation**

For related documentation see the following:

- *[Calculating Motor Driver Power Dissipation](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLVA504)*
- *[DRV8837EVM User's Guide](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLVU749)*
- *[DRV8838EVM User's Guide](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLVUA43)*
- *[Independent Half-Bridge Drive with DRV8837](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLVA539)*
- *[Understanding Motor Driver Current Ratings](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLVA505)*

#### **10.2 Related Links**

The table below lists quick access links. Categories include technical documents, support and community resources, tools and software, and quick access to sample or buy.



#### **Table 10-1. Related Links**

## **10.3 Receiving Notification of Documentation Updates**

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### **10.4 Community Resources**

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# **GENERIC PACKAGE VIEW**

# **DSG 8 WSON - 0.8 mm max height**

**2 x 2, 0.5 mm pitch** PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE - NO LEAD

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# **PACKAGE OUTLINE**

# **DSG0008A WSON - 0.8 mm max height**

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NOTES:

- 1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.
- 2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.

3. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the printed circuit board for thermal and mechanical performance.



# **EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT**

# **DSG0008A WSON - 0.8 mm max height**

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4. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature number SLUA271 (www.ti.com/lit/slua271).

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# **EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN**

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