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FAN5110 — Two-Phase, Bootstrapped, 12V NMOSFET Half-Bridge Driver

Features

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- Two-phase, N-channel MOSFET driver in a Single Compact Package for Multi-phase Buck Converter Applications
- Each Phase Drives the N-channel High-side and Low-side MOSFETs in a Synchronous Buck **Configuration**
- Two-phase Driver Reduces Printed Circuit Board Area
- Variable High-side and Low-side Gate Drive Voltages for Flexibility and Performance Optimization at Higher Frequencies
- Internal Adaptive "Shoot-through" Protection
- Fast Rise and Fall Times
- High Switching Frequency: up to 1 MHz
- Common Enable (EN) Turns Off both Upper and Lower Output FETs
- TTL-compatible PWM and EN Inputs
- **Under-Voltage Lockout Protection Feature**
- Available in SOIC-16 and MLP-16 Packages

Applications

- Multi-Phase VRM/VRD Regulators for Microprocessor Supplies
- Two Separate, Single-phase Supply Designs
- High-Current, High-Frequency DC/DC Converters
- High-Power Modular Supplies
- General-Purpose, TTL Input, 12V Driver for Half-Bridge and Full-Bridge Applications

Description

FAN5110 contains two N-channel MOSFET drivers on a single die in one package. It replaces two single-phase drivers in a multiple-phase PWM design. Each phase is specifically designed to drive both the upper and lower N-channel power MOSFETs of a synchronous rectified buck converter at high switching frequencies.

This two-phase driver, combined with a Fairchild multiphase PWM controller and power MOSFETs, forms a complete V-core power supply solution for advanced microprocessors.

The lower drivers are powered externally through the PVCC pin. The PVCC pin is normally connected to V_{CC} , which drives the lower MOSFET's gates at $12V_{GS}$. Connecting the PVCC pin to a voltage lower than V_{CC} lowers the V_{GS} voltage, resulting in much less driver power dissipation. This is especially valuable when driving MOSFETs with high gate charge (Q_{atot}) and in applications requiring high switching frequencies.

The driver's adaptive shoot-through protection prevents the upper and lower MOSFETs from conducting simultaneously. The FAN5110 is rated for operation from 0°C to +85°C and is available in a low-cost 16-pin (Small Outline Integrated Circuit) SOIC package and a higher power MLP-16 package.

Related Resources

 [AN-6003 — "Shoot-through" in Synchronous](http://www.fairchildsemi.com/an/AN/AN-6003.pdf) Buck Converters

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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. Absolute maximum ratings are stress ratings only. Unless otherwise specified, voltages referenced to GND.

Note:

1. For transient derating beyond the levels indicated, refer to Figure 17 and Figure 18.

Thermal Information

Recommended Operating Conditions

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

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Electrical Characteristics

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Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

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Notes:

2. Limits at operating temperature extremes are guaranteed by design, characterization, and statistical quality control.

3. Specifications guaranteed by design and characterization (not production tested).

4. For propagation delays, t_{pdh} refers to low-to-high signal transition. t_{pdl} refers to high-to-low signal transition.

5. Transition times are defined for 10% and 90% of DC values.

Typical Performance Characteristics

Performance characteristics achieved using the test circuit shown in Figure 4.

Typical Performance Characteristics (Continued)

Performance characteristics below were achieved using a modified version of the test circuit shown in Figure 4. The BOOT and PVCC pins were disconnected from V_{CC} ; a boot diode was connected in series with the BOOT pin; and the PVCC and boot diode anode were connected to a variable voltage power supply. V_{CC} was held constant at 12V during the test.

Figure 19. PV_{CC} Operating Current Figure 20. Boot Operating Current

Circuit Description

The FAN5110 contains two half-bridge MOSFET drivers in a single 16-pin package. Each driver is optimized for driving N-channel MOSFETs in a synchronous buck converter topology. Each driver's TTL-compatible PWM input signal is all that is required to properly drive the high-side and low-side MOSFETs. The following sections apply to each driver.

Low-Side Driver

The low-side driver (LDRV) is designed to drive groundreferenced, low-R_{DS(on)}, N-channel MOSFETs. The power for LDRV is internally connected to the PVCC pin. When the driver is enabled, the driver's output is 180° out of phase with the PWM input. When the FAN5110 is disabled (EN = 0V), LDRV is held low.

High-Side Driver

The FAN5110's high-side driver (HDRV) is designed to drive a floating N-channel MOSFET. The bias voltage for the high-side driver is developed by a bootstrap supply circuit, consisting of an external diode and bootstrap capacitor (C_{BOOT}) .

During start-up, SW is held at GND, allowing C_{BOOT} to charge to V_{CC} through the diode. When the PWM input goes high, HDRV begins to charge the high-side MOSFET gate (QHi). During this transition, charge is transferred from CBOOT to QHi's gate. As QHi turns on, SW rises to V_{IN} , forcing the BOOT pin to $V_{IN} + V_{C(BOOT)}$, which provides sufficient V_{GS} enhancement for QHi. To complete the switching cycle, QHi is turned off by pulling HDRV to SW. C_{BOOT} is recharged to V_{CC} when SW falls to GND. HDRV output is in phase with PWM input. When the driver is disabled, the high-side gate is held low.

Adaptive Gate Drive Circuit

The FAN5110 embodies an advanced design that ensures minimum MOSFET dead-time, while eliminating potential shoot-through (cross-conduction) currents. It senses the state of the MOSFETs and adjusts the gate drive, adaptively, to ensure they do not conduct simultaneously. Refer to the gate drive rise and fall time waveforms shown in Figure 7 and Figure 8 for the relevant timing information.

To prevent overlap during the low-to-high switching transition (QLo OFF to QLo ON), the adaptive circuitry monitors the voltage at the LDRV pin. When the PWM signal goes HIGH, QHi begins to turn OFF after a propagation delay, as defined by the $t_{\text{pdf(LDRV)}}$ parameter. Once the LDRV pin is discharged below ~1.3V, QHi begins to turn ON after adaptive delay t_{hdh(HDRV)}.

To preclude overlap during the high-to-low transition (QLo OFF to QHi ON), the adaptive circuitry monitors the voltage at the SW pin. When the PWM signal goes LOW, QLo begins to turn OFF after a propagation delay $(t_{\text{pd}(HDRV)})$. Once the SW pin falls below $V_{\text{CC}}/3$, QHi begins to turn ON after adaptive delay $t_{\text{pdh(LDRV)}}$.

 V_{GS} of QLo is also monitored. When $V_{GS(QLo)}$ is discharged below ~1.3V, a secondary adaptive delay is initiated, which results in QHi being driven ON after tpdh(LDF), regardless of the SW state. This function is implemented to ensure that C_{BOOT} is recharged after each switching cycle, particularly for cases where the power converter is sinking current and the SW voltage does not fall below the $V_{CC}/3$ adaptive threshold. The secondary delay $t_{pdh(LDF)}$ is longer than $t_{pdh(LDRV)}$.

Application Information

Supply Capacitor Selection

For the supply input (V_{CC}) , a local ceramic bypass capacitor is recommended to reduce the noise and to supply the peak current. Use at least a 1μF, X7R or X5R capacitor, close to the VCC and PGND pins. A 1µF bypass capacitor should be connected at the PVCC pin to PGND.

Bootstrap Circuit

The bootstrap circuit uses a charge storage capacitor (C_{BOOT}) and an external diode, as shown in Figure 2. These components should be selected after the highside MOSFET has been chosen. The required capacitance is determined using the following equation:

$$
C_{\text{foot}} = \frac{Q_{\text{G}}}{\Delta V_{\text{foot}}}
$$
 (1)

where Q_G is the total gate charge of the high-side MOSFET and ΔV_{BOOT} is the voltage droop allowed on the high-side MOSFET drive. For example, the Q_G of the FDD6696 MOSFET is about 35nC at $12V_{GS}$. For an allowed droop of ~300mV, the required bootstrap capacitance is 100nF. A good quality ceramic capacitor must be used.

The average diode forward current, $I_{F(AVG)}$, can be estimated by:

$$
I_{f(AVG)} = Q_{GATE} \times f_{SW}
$$
 (2)

where f_{SW} is the switching frequency of the controller.

The peak surge current rating of the diode should be checked in-circuit, since this is dependent on the equivalent impedance of the entire bootstrap circuit, including the PCB traces.

Thermal Considerations

The total device dissipation is the total of both phases.

Device dissipation for a phase can be calculated as:

$$
P_{\text{Dtot}} = P_{\text{Q}} + P_{\text{HDRV}} + P_{\text{LDRV}} \tag{3}
$$

where:

$$
P_Q
$$
 represents quiescent power dissipation:

$$
P_Q = V_{CC} \times [4mA + 0.036(f_{SW} - 100)]
$$
 (4)

 f_{SW} is switching frequency (in kHz).

 P_{HDRV} represents the power dissipation of the upper FET driver.

PLDRV is dissipation of the lower FET driver.

Calculation of P_{HDRV:}

$$
P_{\text{QH}} = \frac{1}{2} \times Q_{\text{GH}} \times V_{\text{GS(Q1)}} \times f_{\text{SW}} \tag{5}
$$

$$
P_{HDRV} = P_{H(R)} + P_{H(F)} \tag{6}
$$

$$
P_{H(R)} = P_{QH} \times \frac{R_{HUP}}{R_{HUP} + R_{E} + R_{G}}
$$
 (7)

$$
P_{H(F)} = P_{QH} \times \frac{R_{HDN}}{R_{HUP} + R_E + R_G}
$$
 (8)

where:

 $P_{H(R)}$ and $P_{H(F)}$ are dissipations for the rising and falling edges, respectively.

 Q_{GH} is total gate charge of the upper FET for its applied V_{GS}.

As described in Equations 6 and 7, the total power dissapated in driving the gate is divided in proportion to the resistances in series with the MOSFET internal gate node, as shown in Figure 23.

Figure 23. Driver Dissipation Model

 R_G is the gate resistance internal to the FET. R_E is the external gate drive resistor implemented in many designs. Note that the introduction of R_E can reduce driver power dissipation, but excess R_E may cause errors in the "adaptive gate drive" circuitry. In particular, adding R_E in the low drive circuit could result in shootthrough. For more information, refer to *Application Note AN-6003, "Shoot-through" in Synchronous Buck Converter*s.

Calculation of PLDRV:

$$
P_{\text{QH}} = \frac{1}{2} \times Q_{\text{GH}} \times V_{\text{GS(Q1)}} \times f_{\text{SW}} \tag{9}
$$

$$
P_{LDRV} = P_{L(R)} + P_{L(F)} \tag{10}
$$

$$
P_{L(R)} = P_{QL} \times \frac{R_{LUP}}{R_{LUP} + R_E + R_G}
$$
\n(11)

$$
P_{L(F)} = P_{QL} \times \frac{R_{LDN}}{R_{HDN} + R_E + R_G}
$$
(12)

where:

 $P_{L(R)}$ and $P_{L(F)}$ are internal dissipations for the rising and falling edges, respectively.

Q_{GL} is total gate charge of the lower FET for its applied V_{GS} .

Layout Considerations

Use the following general guidelines when designing printed circuit boards *(see Figure 24)*:

- Trace out the high-current paths and use short, wide (>25 mil) traces to make these connections. If vias are required use multiple vias to lower the inductance.
- Connect the PGND pin as close as possible to the source of the lower MOSFET.
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SOIC16 Package

- \blacksquare The V_{CC} bypass capacitor must be located as close as possible to the VCC and VSS pins of the device. This is also true for the PV_{CC} bypass capacitor (PVCC and the PGND pins).
- Use multiple vias to other layers when possible to maximize the conduction of heat away from the package. This is particularly true for the paddle of the MLP package, which can be connected with vias to the internal ground plane of the board.

MLP16D Package

Always visit Fairchild Semiconductor's online packaging area for the most recent package drawings:

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