## General Description

The MAX1574 charge pump drives up to three white LEDs with regulated constant current for uniform intensity. By utilizing adaptive $1 x / 2 x$ charge-pump modes and very-low-dropout current regulators, it achieves 180 mA output drive capability and high efficiency over the 1-cell lithium-battery input voltage range. Fixed-frequency $(1 \mathrm{MHz})$ switching allows for tiny external components, and the regulation scheme is optimized to ensure low EMI and low input ripple.
The MAX1574 uses an external resistor to set the fullscale 100\% LED current. An enable input (EN) is used for simple on/off control or can be pulsed repeatedly to set lower LED current in multiple steps down to 5\%. Once the desired brightness is set, the MAX1574 maintains constant LED current as long as EN is kept high. If EN is kept low for more than 2 ms , the MAX1574 enters shutdown.
The MAX1574 is available in a 10-pin $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ TDFN package ( 0.8 mm max height).

Applications
LCD Backlighting
Camera Strobes/Flashes and Movie Lights
Cell Phones/Smart Phones
PDAs, Digital Cameras, and Camcorders
Typical Operating Circuit


Up to 180mA (60mA/LED) Drive Capability
83\% Average Efficiency (PLED / PBATT) Over Li+
Battery Discharge
0.5\% (typ) LED Current Matching
Adaptive 1x/2x Mode Switchover
Low Input Ripple and EMI

- 5\% to 100\% Dimming Through Single-Wire Serial Pulse Interface
- Low 0.1 $\mu \mathrm{A}$ Shutdown Current
- 2.7V to 5.5V Supply Voltage Range
- Soft-Start Limits Inrush Current
- Output Overvoltage Protection
- Thermal-Shutdown Protection
- 10-Pin 3mm x 3mm TDFN Package

Ordering Information

| PART | TEMP RANGE | PIN- <br> PACKAGE | TOP <br> MARK |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| MAX1574ETB | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 10 TDFN <br> $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ | ABB |

Pin Configuration


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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

IN, OUT, EN to GND<br><br>…................<br>$\qquad$ ..-0.3V to +6.0V<br>SET, LED1, LED2, LED3, CN to GND .........-0.3V to (VIN + 0.3V) CP to GND<br>$\qquad$ ...................-0.3V to<br>the greater of (VOUT + 1V) or (VIN + 1V)<br>OUT Short Circuit to GND<br>..Continuous

Continuous Power Dissipation ( $\mathrm{TA}=+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ )
10-Pin TDFN (derate $18.2 \mathrm{~mW} /{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ above $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) ....... 1454 mW Operating Temperature Range ........................... $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ Junction Temperature ...................................................... $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ Storage Temperature Range ............................. $-65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) ................................. $300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

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

$\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{GND}}=0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{IN}, \mathrm{RSET}^{\mathrm{S}}=13.7 \mathrm{k} \Omega, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. $)$ (Note 1)

| PARAMETER | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IN Operating Voltage |  | 2.7 |  | 5.5 | V |
| Undervoltage-Lockout Threshold | VIN falling | 2.25 | 2.45 | 2.60 | V |
| Undervoltage-Lockout Hysteresis |  |  | 40 |  | mV |
| Output Overvoltage-Protection Threshold | Vout rising |  | 5 |  | V |
| No-Load Supply Current | 2x mode |  | 2 |  | mA |
|  | $10 \%$ setting, $1 \times$ mode |  | 0.35 |  |  |
| Shutdown Supply Current | EN = GND, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  | 0.01 | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
|  | $\mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{GND}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  | 0.1 |  |  |
| Soft-Start Time |  |  | 2 |  | ms |
| SET Bias Voltage |  |  | 0.6 |  | V |
| SET Leakage in Shutdown | $\mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{GND}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  | 0.01 | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
|  | $\mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{GND}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 0.1 |  |  |  |
| SET Current Range |  | 4 |  | 153 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| SET-to-LED_ Current Ratio (lLED/ISET) | 100\% setting |  | 393 |  | A/A |
| LED Current Accuracy | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  | $\pm 0.7$ |  | \% |
| LED-to-LED Current Matching | (Note 2) | -4 | $\pm 0.5$ | +4 | \% |
| Maximum LED_ Sink Current | RSET $=4.12 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | 52 | 60 |  | mA |
| LED_ Dropout Voltage | RSET $=4.12 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ (Note 3) |  | 80 | 120 | mV |
| 1x to 2x Mode Transition Threshold | VLED_falling | 120 | 130 | 140 | mV |
| Input-Voltage-Mode Transition Hysteresis |  |  | 150 |  | mV |
| LED Leakage in Shutdown | $\mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{GND}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  | 0.01 | 2 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
|  | $\mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{GND}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 0.1 |  |  |  |
| Maximum OUT Current | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} \geq 3.12 \mathrm{~V}$, V OUT $=3.9 \mathrm{~V}$ | 180 |  |  | mA |
| Open-Loop OUT Resistance | $1 \times$ mode, (VIN - VOUT) / IOUT |  | 1.5 | 2.5 | $\Omega$ |
|  | $2 \times$ mode, ( $2 \times \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ - VOUT) / IOUT |  | 9 | 15 |  |
| Switching Frequency |  |  | 1 |  | MHz |
| OUT Pulldown Resistance in Shutdown | EN = GND |  | 5 |  | $\mathrm{k} \Omega$ |
| EN High Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{1 \mathrm{~N}}=2.7 \mathrm{~V}$ to 5.5 V | 1.6 |  |  | V |
| EN Low Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=2.7 \mathrm{~V}$ to 5.5 V |  |  | 0.4 | V |

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

$\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{GND}}=0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{IN}, \mathrm{R}_{\text {SET }}=13.7 \mathrm{k} \Omega, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right.$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. $)$ (Note 1)

| PARAMETER | CONDITIONS | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EN Input Current | $\mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{GND}$ or $5.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |  | 0.01 | 1 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
|  | $\mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{GND}$ or $5.5 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | 0.1 |  |  |  |
| EN Low Shutdown Delay |  | 1.0 | 2 | 3.3 | ms |
| EN tLo (Figure 1) |  | 0.5 |  | 500 | $\mu \mathrm{s}$ |
| EN thi (Figure 1) |  | 0.5 |  |  | $\mu \mathrm{s}$ |
| Initial EN thI (Figure 1) | Only required for first EN_ pulse | 50 |  |  | us |
| Thermal-Shutdown Threshold |  |  | +160 |  | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Thermal-Shutdown Hysteresis |  |  | 20 |  | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

Note 1: Limits are $100 \%$ production tested at $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Limits over the operating temperature range are guaranteed by design
Note 2: LED current matching is defined as: (lLED-IAVG) / IAVG
Note 3: Dropout voltage is defined as the LED_-to-GND voltage at which current into LED_ drops $10 \%$ from the value at $\mathrm{V}_{\text {LED_ }}=0.2 \mathrm{~V}$.

## Typical Operating Characteristics

(Circuit of Figure 2, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{IN}$, driving three white LEDs, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.)


## 180mA, 1 x/2x, White LED Charge Pump in 3mm x 3mm TDFN

(Circuit of Figure 2, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{EN}=\mathrm{IN}$, driving three white LEDs, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.)


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## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

(Circuit of Figure 2, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathbb{N}}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{EN}=\mathbb{I N}$, driving three white LEDs, $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.)


Pin Description

| PIN | NAME | FUNCTION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | IN | Supply Voltage Input. Connect a $0.47 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ to $1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ceramic capacitor from IN to GND. The input voltage range is 2.7 V to 5.5 V . IN is high impedance during shutdown. |
| 2 | EN | Enable and Dimming Control. Pulsing EN low dims the LEDs in multiple steps. Drive low for longer than 2 ms (typ) to shut down the IC. From shutdown, drive EN high ( $50 \mu \mathrm{~s} \mathrm{~min}$ ) to set ILED to the maximum current (see the SETfunction). Pulse EN low for $0.5 \mu$ s to $500 \mu$ s to dim the LEDs (Figure 1). |
| 3 | CP | Transfer-Capacitor Positive Connection. Connect a $0.22 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ capacitor from CP to CN. |
| 4 | CN | Transfer-Capacitor Negative Connection. Connect a $0.22 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ capacitor from CP to CN. |
| 5 | SET | Current-Set Input. Connect a resistor (RSET) from SET to GND to set the maximum LED current. $\operatorname{lLED}(M A X)=393 \times 0.6 \mathrm{~V} /$ RSET. SET is internally biased to 0.6 V . SET is high impedance during shutdown. |
| 6 | LED3 | Cathode Connection. Current flowing into LED_ is based on SET description above. In $2 x$ mode, |
| 7 | LED2 | harge pump regulates the lowest LED_ voltage to 0.18 V . Connect LED_ to IN for unpopulated LEDs. |
| 8 | LED1 | LED_ is high impedance during shutdown. |
| 9 | GND | Ground. Connect GND to system ground and as close as possible to the input-bypass capacitor ground. |
| 10 | OUT | Output. Connect a $0.47 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ to $1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ceramic capacitor from OUT to GND, and connect OUT to the anodes of all the LEDs. OUT is pulled to ground through an internal $5 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ resistor in shutdown. |
| - | EP | Exposed Paddle. Connect the exposed paddle directly to GND underneath the IC. |

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#### Abstract

Detailed Description The MAX1574 charge pump drives up to three white LEDs with regulated constant current for uniform intensity. By utilizing adaptive $1 \times / 2 x$ charge-pump modes and very-low-dropout current regulators, it achieves 180mA output drive capability and high efficiency over the 1 -cell lithium-battery input voltage range. Fixed-frequency switching of 1 MHz allows for tiny external components, and the regulation scheme is optimized to ensure low EMI and low input ripple.


## 1x to 2x Switchover

When VIN is higher than Vout, the MAX1574 operates in $1 \times$ mode and Vout is pulled up to Vin. The internal current regulators regulate the LED current. As VIN drops, VLED_ eventually falls below the switchover threshold of 130 mV , and the MAX1574 starts switching in $2 x$ mode. When the input voltage rises above Vout by approximately 50 mV , the MAX1574 switches back to $1 \times$ mode.

## Soft-Start

The MAX1574 includes soft-start circuitry to limit inrush current at turn-on. When starting up, the output capacitor is charged directly from the input with a ramped current source (with no charge-pump action) until the output voltage approaches the input voltage. Once this occurs, the charge pump determines if 1 x or 2 x mode is required. In the case of $1 \times$ mode, the soft-start is terminated and normal operation begins. During the soft-start time, the output current is set to $5 \%$ of the maximum set by RSET. In the case of $2 \times$ mode, soft-start operates until the lowest of LED1 to LED3 reaches regulation. If an overload condition occurs, soft-start repeats every 2.1 ms . If the output is shorted to ground, the output current is limited by the MAX1574 switching technique.

## Setting the Output Current

The LED current at full brightness is set by a resistor, RSET, as follows:

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R_{S E T}=\frac{0.6 \mathrm{~V} \times 393}{l_{\text {LED }}}
$$

EN Dimming Control
When the LEDs are enabled by driving EN high, the MAX1574 goes through soft-start, bringing the LED current up to ILED_. Dimming is then done by pulsing EN low (500ns to $500 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ pulse width). Each pulse reduces the LED current by $10 \%$, so after one pulse the LED current is $0.9 \times$ ILED. The tenth pulse reduces the current by $5 \%$, so the ILED_current reduces from $0.1 \times$ ILED_ to 0.05 $x$ ILED. The eleventh pulse sets the LED current back to LLED_. Figure 1 shows a timing diagram for EN.
If dimming control is not required, EN works as a simple on/off control. Drive EN high to enable the LEDs, or drive EN low for shutdown.

## Shutdown Mode

When EN is held low for 2ms or longer, the MAX1574 is shut down and put in a low-current mode. OUT is internally pulled to GND with $5 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ during shutdown.

## Overvoltage Protection

If any LED fails as an open circuit, the output voltage is limited to about 5 V by gating on/off the charge pump. If any LED_ is floating or grounded, the MAX1574 operates in the same overvoltage-protection mode. To avoid overvoltage-protection mode when using fewer than three LEDs, connect any unused LED_ to IN (Figure 3).

Thermal Shutdown
The MAX1574 includes a thermal-limit circuit that shuts down the IC at approximately $+160^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The part turns on after the IC cools by approximately $20^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.


Figure 1. EN Timing Diagram

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Table 1. Recommended Components

| COMPONENT DESIGNATION | VALUE | MANUFACTURER | PART NUMBER | DESCRIPTION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cin, Cout | $1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | Taiyo Yuden | JMK107BJ105KA | $1 \mu \mathrm{~F} \pm 10 \%$, 6.3V X5R ceramic capacitors (0603) |
|  |  | TDK | C1005X5R0J105M | $1 \mu \mathrm{~F} \pm 20 \%$, 6.3V X5R ceramic capacitors (0402) |
| C1 | $0.22 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ | Taiyo Yuden | JMK105BJ224KV | $0.22 \mu \mathrm{~F} \pm 10 \%, 6.3 \mathrm{~V} \times 5 \mathrm{R}$ ceramic capacitor (0402) |
|  |  | TDK | C1005X5R0J224K | $0.22 \mu \mathrm{~F} \pm 10 \%$, 6.3V X 5 R ceramic capacitor (0402) |
|  | 0.47 $\mu \mathrm{F}$ | Taiyo Yuden | JMK105BJ474KV | $0.47 \mu \mathrm{~F} \pm 10 \%$, 6.3V X 5 R ceramic capacitor (0402) |
|  |  | TDK | C1005X5R0J474K | $0.47 \mu \mathrm{~F} \pm 10 \%, 6.3 \mathrm{~V} \times 5 \mathrm{R}$ ceramic capacitor (0402) |
| D1, D2, D3 | - | Nichia | NSCW215T | White LEDs |
|  |  | Citizen | CL-470S | White LED flash module |
| RSET | As Required | Kamaya | - | 1\% resistor |
|  |  | Panasonic |  |  |

## Applications Information

## Driving Fewer than Three LEDs

When driving fewer than three LEDs, connect any unused LED_ directly to IN (Figure 3). When connected in this manner, the corresponding LED driver is disabled.

## Driving Camera Strobes/Flashes

The MAX1574's 180mA output capability makes it suitable for driving white LED camera strobes/flashes. For example, the typical operating circuit drives a 3-LED flash module with up to $60 \mathrm{~mA} / \mathrm{LED}$. To ensure 180 mA total drive capability at low input voltages, increase C1 to $0.47 \mu \mathrm{~F}$.
To drive fewer or more LEDs with regulated total current up to 180 mA or to reduce the number of connecting wires, short LED1, LED2, and LED3 together. When connected this way, some LED modules have good LED-to-LED forward-voltage matching, while others may require individual ballast resistors. It is a good idea to keep the ballast resistance as low as practical for reasonable matching because high-ballast resistance reduces the output drive capability due to the higher Vout requirement.

Input Ripple
For LED drivers, input ripple is more important than output ripple. Input ripple depends on the source supply's impedance. Adding a lowpass filter to the input further reduces input ripple. Alternatively, increasing CIN to $2.2 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ cuts input ripple in half with only a small increase in footprint. The 1x mode always has very low input ripple.

Component Selection
Use only ceramic capacitors with an X5R, X7R, or better dielectric. See Table 1 for a list of recommended parts.

PC Board Layout and Routing
The MAX1574 is a high-frequency switched-capacitor voltage regulator. For best circuit performance, use a solid ground plane and place CIN, Cout, and C1 as close to the MAX1574 as possible. Refer to the MAX1574 evaluation kit for an example.

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Figure 2. Functional Diagram and Typical Application Circuit


Chip Information
TRANSISTOR COUNT: 6063
PROCESS: BiCMOS

Figure 3. Using the MAX1574 to Drive Fewer Than Three LEDs

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Package Information
(The package drawing(s) in this data sheet may not reflect the most current specifications. For the latest package outline information, go to www.maxim-ic.com/packages.)


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## Part Number Table

## Notes

1. See the MAX1574 QuickView Data Sheet for further information on this product family or download the MAX1574 full data sheet (PDF, 224kB).
2. Other options and links for purchasing parts are listed at: $h$ http://www.maxim-ic.com/sales.
3. Didn't Find What You Need? Ask our applications engineers. Expert assistance in finding parts, usually within one business day.
4. Part number suffixes: $T$ or $T \& R=$ tape and reel; $+=$ RoHS/lead-free; $\#=$ RoHS/lead-exempt. More: See full data sheet or Part Naming Conventions.
5.     * Some packages have variations, listed on the drawing. "PkgCode/Variation" tells which variation the product uses.

| Part Number | Free <br> Sample | Buy <br> Direct | Package: TYPE PINS SIZE <br> DRAWING CODE/VAR * |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| MAX1574ETB+G104 |  |  | Temp |

Use pkgcode/variation: T1033-1*

THIN QFN (Dual);10 pin;3X3X0.8mm -40C to +85 C RoHS/Lead-Free: No Dwg: 21-0137I (PDF)
Use pkgcode/variation: T1033-1*

Materials Analysis

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