



MAX20038

Automotive High-Current Step-Down Converter with USB Protection/Host Charger Adapter Emulation

Industry's First Synchronous USB Buck Converter with I²C, Short to V_{BAT} and Protection/Host Charge Emulator



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Description

The MAX20037/MAX20038 ICs combine a 3.5A automotive- grade step-down converter, USB host charger adapter emulator, and USB protection switches for automotive USB host applications. The device family also includes a USB load current-sense amplifier and configurable feedback-adjustment circuit, designed to provide automatic USB voltage compensation for voltage drops in captive cables often found in automotive applications. The ICs limit the USB load current using both a fixed internal peak-current threshold of the DC-DC converter and a user-configurable external USB load current-sense amplifier threshold.

The ICs allow flexible configuration options for both stand-alone and supervised applications, and can be programmed for desired operation using both external programming resistors and/or internal I²C registers through the I²C bus.

The ICs are optimized for high-frequency operation and include programmable frequency selection from 310kHz to 2.2MHz, allowing optimization of efficiency, noise, and board space based on application requirements. The fully synchronous DC-DC converters feature integrated high-side and low-side MOSFETs, an external SYNC input/output, and can be configured for spread-spectrum operation.

The MAX20037/MAX20038 are available in a small (5mm x 5mm) 28-pin TQFN package designed to minimize required components and layout area.

Key Features

- One-Chip Solution Directly from Car Battery to Portable Device
 - 4.5V to 28V (40V Load Dump) Input Voltage
 - 5V, 3.5A Output Current Capability
 - Device-Attach Detection Output
 - Low-Q Current Skip and Shutdown Modes
- Low-Noise Features Prevent Interference with AM Band and Portable Devices
 - Fixed-Frequency 275kHz to 2.2MHz Operation
 - Fixed-PWM Option at No Load
 - Spread Spectrum for EMI Reduction
 - SYNC Input/Output for Frequency Parking
- Optimal USB Power and Communication for Portable Devices
 - User-Programmable Voltage Gain Adjusts Output for Up to 600mΩ Cable Resistance
 - User-Programmable USB Current Limit
 - USB 480Mbps/12Mbps/1.5Mbps Data Switches
 - Integrated iPod®/iPhone®/iPad® and Samsung® Charge-Detection Termination Resistors
 - Supports USB BC1.2 CDP and DCP Modes
 - Supports China YD/T 1591-2009
 - Compatible with USB On-the-Go Specification
- Robust Design Keeps Vehicle System and Portable Devices Safe in Automotive Environment
 - Short-to-Battery Protection on DC-DC Converter Pins
 - Short-to-VBUS Protection on USB Pins (MAX20037)
 - Short-to-Battery Protection on USB Pins (MAX20038)
 - ± 15kV Air/±8kV Contact ISO 10605*
 - ± 15kV Air/±8kV Contact IEC 61000-4-2*
 - Reduced Inrush Current with Soft-Start
 - Overtemperature Protection
 - -40°C to +125°C Operating Temperature Range

Applications/Uses

- Automotive Connectivity/Telematics
- Automotive Radio and Navigation
- Dedicated USB Charging Port (DCP)
- USB Port for Host and Hub Applications

Part Number	Supported Charging Configurations	Supported USB Battery Charging Specification	Charging Modes	Current Limit Switch Control	CDP Emulation	Remote Wake-Up Support	V _{BUS} Reset Time (sec)	Package/Pins
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MAX20038 NEW!	Apple 1.0A	1.2	Auto Detection	CEN	Yes	No	0.016	TQFN-CU/28
	Apple 2.1A							
	China YD/T 1591-2009		Auto Detection with Apple 1A					
	Samsung Galaxy Tablet 2A		Auto Detection with Apple 2A					
	USB CDP							
	USB Dedicated Charger		CDP Emulation Pass-Through					
	USB SDP		Forced Dedicated Charger					
			Pass-Through					
	Samsung Galaxy Tablet 2A							
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[MAX20038EVKIT](#): Evaluation Kit for the MAX20038

Quality and Environmental Data

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Device	Fab Process	Technology	Sample size	Rejects	FIT at 25°C	FIT at 55°C
MAX20038ATIC/V+T*	Contact reliability engineer for information					
MAX20038ATIB/V+T*	Contact reliability engineer for information					
MAX20038ATID/V+*	Contact reliability engineer for information					
MAX20038ATIE/V+*	Contact reliability engineer for information					
MAX20038ATIE/V+T*	Contact reliability engineer for information					
MAX20038ATIA/V+*	Contact reliability engineer for information					
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MAX20038ATID/V+T*	Contact reliability engineer for information					
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Note : The failure rates are summarized by technology and mapped to the associated material part numbers. The failure rates are highly dependent on the number of units tested.

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