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Precision Integrated Analog Front End, Controller, and PWM for Battery Test and Formation Systems

Data Sheet AD8452

FEATURES

CC and CV battery test and formation modes with transparent and automatic switchover, for systems of 20 Ah or less

Precise measurement of voltage and current
Independent feedback control blocks
Highly accurate, factory trimmed instrumentation and
differential amplifiers

In-amp for current sense gain: 66 V/V Difference amplifier for voltage sense gain: 0.4 V/V Stable over temperature: offset voltage drift <0.6 μ V/°C (maximum)

Gain drift: <3 ppm/°C (maximum)
Current sense CMRR: 120 dB minimum
Popular SMPS control for charge/discharge
High PWM linearity with internal ramp voltage
50 kHz to 300 kHz user controlled switching frequency
Synchronization output or input with adjustable phase shift
Programmable soft start

APPLICATIONS

Battery formation and testing High efficiency battery test systems with recycle capability Battery conditioning (charging and discharging) systems

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The AD8452 combines a precision analog front-end controller and switch mode power supply (SMPS), pulse-width modulator (PWM) driver into a single silicon platform for high volume battery testing and formation manufacturing. A precision instrumentation amplifier (in-amp) measures the battery charge/discharge current to better than $\pm 0.1\%$ accuracy, while an equally accurate difference amplifier measures the battery voltage. Internal laser trimmed resistor networks establish the in-amp and difference amplifier gains (66 V/V and 0.4 V/V, respectively), and stabilize the AD8452 performance across the rated operating temperature range.

Desired battery cycling current and voltage levels are established by applying precise control voltages to the ISET and VSET inputs. Actual charge and discharge current levels are sensed (usually by a high power, highly accurate shunt resistor) whose value is carefully selected according to system parameters. Switching between constant current (CC) and constant voltage (CV) loop integration is instantaneous, automatic, and completely transparent to the observer. A logic high at the MODE input selects the charge or discharge mode (high for charge, low for discharge).

The AD8452 simplifies designs by providing excellent performance, functionality, and overall reliability in a space saving 48-lead, 7 mm \times 7 mm \times 1.4 mm LQFP package rated for operation at temperatures from -40° C to $+85^{\circ}$ C.

FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM

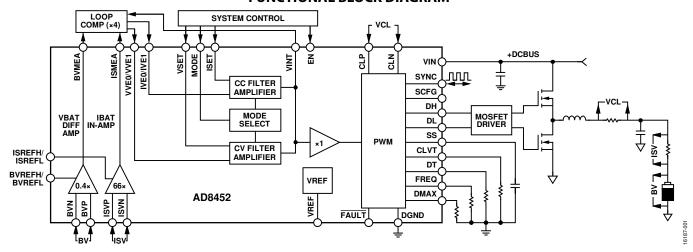


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SPECIFICATIONS

AVCC = 15 V, AVEE = -15 V, VIN = 24 V, and T_A = 25°C, unless otherwise noted.

ANALOG FRONT-END AND CONTROLLER SPECIFICATIONS

Table 1.

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
CURRENT SENSE INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER					
Gain			66		V/V
Gain Error	$V_{ISMEA} = \pm 10 \text{ V}$			±0.1	%
Gain Drift	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}			3	ppm/°C
Offset Voltage Referred to Input (RTI)	ISREFH pin and ISREFL pin grounded	-100		+100	μV
Offset Voltage Drift	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}	-0.6	-0.1	+0.6	μV/°C
Input Bias Current			15	30	nA
Input Common-Mode Voltage Range	$V_{ISVP} - V_{ISVN} = 0 V$	AVEE + 2.3		AVCC – 2.4	V
Differential Input Impedance			150		GΩ
Common-Mode Input Impedance			150		GΩ
Output Voltage Swing	$RL = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$	AVEE + 1.5		AVCC - 1.2	V
Reference Input Voltage Range	ISREFH pin and ISREFL pin tied together	AVEE + 1.5		AVCC - 1.5	V
Reference Bias Current	$V_{ISVP} = V_{ISVN} = 0 V$		5		μΑ
Output Voltage Level Shift	ISREFL pin grounded				
Maximum	ISREFH pin connected to VREF pin	11	12.5	14	mV
Scale Factor	V _{ISMEA} /V _{ISREFH}	4.4	5	5.6	mV/V
Short-Circuit Current			40		mA
Common-Mode Rejection Ratio (CMRR)	$\Delta V_{CM} = 20 \text{ V}$	120			dB
Temperature Coefficient	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}			0.01	μV/V/°C
Power Supply Rejection Ratio (PSRR)	$\Delta V_s = 10 \text{ V}$	122	140		dB
Small Signal –3 dB Bandwidth			675		kHz
Slew Rate	$\Delta V_{ISMEA} = 10 \text{ V}$		5		V/µs
VOLTAGE SENSE DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER					
Gain			0.4		V/V
Gain Error	$V_{IN} = \pm 10 \text{ V}$			±0.1	%
Gain Drift	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}			3	ppm/°C
Offset Voltage Referred to Output (RTO)	BVREFH pin and BVREFL pin grounded	-250		+250	μV
Offset Voltage Drift	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}	-2	-0.1	+2	μV/°C
Differential Input Voltage Range	$V_{BVN} = 0 V$, $V_{BVREFL} = 0 V$	-17		+17	V
Input Common-Mode Voltage Range	$V_{BVMEA} = 0 V$	-40		+40	
Differential Input Impedance			400		kΩ
Input Common-Mode Impedance			140		kΩ
Output Voltage Swing	$RL = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$	AVEE + 1.5		AVCC – 1.2	V
Reference Input Voltage Range	BVREFH pin and BVREFL pin connected	AVEE + 1.5		AVCC – 1.5	V
Output Voltage Level Shift	BVREFL pin grounded				
Maximum	BVREFH pin connected to VREF pin	11.0	12.5	14.0	mV
Scale Factor	V _{BVMEA} /V _{BVREFH}	4.4	5	5.6	mV/V
Short-Circuit Current			40		mA
CMRR	$\Delta V_{CM} = 10 \text{ V, RTO}$	90			dB
Temperature Coefficient	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}			0.05	μV/V/°C
PSRR	$\Delta V_s = 10 \text{ V, RTO}$	114	123		dB
Small Signal –3 dB Bandwidth			3.0		MHz
Slew Rate	$\Delta V_{BVMEA} = 10 V$		0.9		V/µs

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
CC AND CV LOOP FILTER AMPLIFIERS					
Offset Voltage				150	μV
Offset Voltage Drift	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}	-1	+0.02	1	μV/°C
Input Bias Current		-5		+5	nA
Input Common-Mode Voltage Range		AVEE + 1.5		AVCC - 1.8	V
Output Voltage Swing	V _{VINT} voltage range	AVEE + 1.5		5	V
Source Short-Circuit Current			1		mA
Sink Short-Circuit Current			40		mA
PSRR	$\Delta V_S = 10 \text{ V}$	113	122		dB
Small Signal Gain Bandwidth Product			3		MHz
Slew Rate	$\Delta V_{VINT} = 10 \text{ V}$		1		V/µs
CC to CV Transition Time			1.8		μs
VSET VOLTAGE BUFFER					
Nominal Gain			1		V/V
Offset Voltage				150	μV
Offset Voltage Drift	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}	-1	+0.06	+1	μV/°C
Input Bias Current		-5		+5	nA
Input/Output Voltage Range		AVEE + 1.5		AVCC - 1.8	V
Short-Circuit Current			40		mA
PSRR	$\Delta V_S = 10 \text{ V}$	113	122		dB
Small Signal –3 dB Bandwidth			4		MHz
Slew Rate	$\Delta V_{VSETBF} = 10 V$		1		V/µs
VOLTAGE REFERENCE					
Nominal Output Voltage	With respect to AGND		2.5		V
Output Voltage Error				±1	%
Temperature Drift	$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to T_{MAX}			16	ppm/°C
Line Regulation	$\Delta V_S = 10 \text{ V}$			10	ppm/V
Load Regulation	$\Delta I_{VREF} = 1 \text{ mA (source only)}$			300	ppm/m
Source Short-Circuit Current			15		mA

PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR SPECIFICATIONS

Table 2.

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
SOFT START (SS)					
SS Pin Current	$V_{SS} = 0 V$	4	5	6	μΑ
SS Threshold Rising	Switching enable threshold		0.52	0.65	V
SS Threshold Falling	Switching disable threshold	0.4	0.5		V
End of Soft Start	Asynchronous to synchronous threshold	4.4	4.5	4.6	V
PWM CONTROL					
Frequency					
Frequency Range	$R_{FREQ} = 33.2 \text{ k}\Omega \text{ to } 200 \text{ k}\Omega$	50		300	kHz
Oscillator Frequency	$R_{FREQ} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$	90	100	110	kHz
FREQ Pin Voltage	$R_{FREQ} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$	1.1	1.255	1.4	V
SYNC Output (Internal Frequency Control)	$V_{SCFG} \ge 4.53 \text{ V or SCFG pin floating}$				
Internal SYNC Range	For SYNC output	50		300	kHz
SYNC Output Clock Duty Cycle	$V_{SCFG} = V_{VREG}$, $R_{FREQ} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$	40	50	60	%
SYNC Sink Pull Down Resistance	$V_{SCFG} = 5 \text{ V, } I_{SYNC} = 10 \text{ mA}$		10	20	Ω
SYNC Input (External Frequency Control)	$V_{SCFG} < 4.25 V$				
External SYNC Range	For SYNC input clock	50		300	kHz
SYNC Internal Pull-Down Resistor		0.5	1	1.5	ΜΩ
Maximum SYNC Pin Voltage	For external sync operation		5		V
SYNC Threshold Rising			1.2	1.5	V
SYNC Threshold Falling		0.7	1.05		V
SCFG					
SCFG High Threshold					
Rising	SYNC set to input		4.53	4.7	V
Falling	SYNC set to output	4.25	4.47		V
SCFG Low Threshold					
Rising	Programmable phase shift above threshold		0.55	0.65	V
Falling	No phase shift	0.4	0.5		V
SCFG Pin Current	$R_{FREQ} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$, $V_{SCFG} = DGND$	10	11	12	μΑ
DMAX					
Maximum Internal Duty Cycle	V_{DMAX} , V_{SS} , and $V_{SCFG} = 5 \text{ V}$		97		%
DMAX Setting Current	$V_{DMAX} = 0 \text{ V, } R_{FREQ} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$	10	11	12	μΑ
DMAX and SCFG Current Matching ¹				10	%
DT					
DT Pin Current	$R_{FREQ} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega, V_{DT} = DGND$		20	24	μΑ
Maximum DT Programming Voltage	See Figure 28			3.5	V
CURRENT LIMIT (CL)					
CLVT					
CLVT Pin Current	Minimum CLVT pin voltage = 50 mV	16	21	27	μΑ
CLP, CLN					
Common-Mode Range	$V_{CLP} = V_{CLN}$	0		8	V
Input Resistance		24	30	36	kΩ
Current Limit Threshold Offset	$V_{CLP} = V_{CLN}$, $R_{CLVT} = 2.49 \text{ k}\Omega$		50		mV
CLFLG	Open-drain, active low output				
Max CLFLG Voltage	Open-drain output			5.5	V
CFLG Pull-Down Resistance			8		Ω
Current Limit	$R_{FREQ} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega$, 16 consecutive clock pulses				
Overload Time			160		μs
Cool Down Time			160		μs

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
ZERO CROSSING DETECTION (ZCD)					
ZCD Threshold Offset	$(V_{CLP} + V_{CLN})/2$, for common-mode voltage $(CMV) = 0 V to 8 V$		0		mV
VREG					
Low Dropout (LDO) Regulator Output Voltage	$V_{IN} = 6 \text{ V to } 60 \text{ V, no external load}$	4.9	5	5.1	V
Load Regulation	$V_{IN} = 6 \text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 0 \text{ mA to 5 mA}$	4.9	5	5.1	V
PWM DRIVE LOGIC SIGNALS (DH/DL)					
DL Drive Voltage	No load		VREG		V
DH Drive Voltage	No load		VREG		V
DL and DH Sink Resistance	$I_{DL} = 10 \text{ mA}$		1.4	2.6	Ω
DL and DH Source Resistance	$I_{DL} = 10 \text{ mA}$		1.4	2.6	Ω
DL and DH Pull-Down Resistor		0.5	1	1.5	ΜΩ
THERMAL SHUTDOWN (TSD)					
TSD Threshold					
Rising			150		°C
Falling			125		°C

¹ The DMAX and SCFG current matching specification is calculated by taking the absolute value of the difference between the measured I_{SCFG} and I_{DMAX} currents, dividing them by the 11 μA typical value, and multiplying this result by 100. DMAX and SCFG current matching (%) = ($I_{SCFG} - I_{DMAX}/11 \mu A$) × 100

DIGITAL INTERFACE SPECIFICATIONS

Table 3.

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
DIGITAL INTERFACE, MODE INPUT	MODE pin				
MODE Threshold Rising			1.2	1.4	V
MODE Threshold Falling		0.7	1.0		V
MODE Switching Time			400		ns
PRECISION ENABLE LOGIC (EN)					
Maximum EN Pin Voltage				60	V
EN Threshold Rising			1.26	1.4	V
EN Threshold Falling		1.1	1.2		V
EN Pin Current	$V_{EN} = 5 V$, internal pull-down		0.25	2	μΑ
FAULT	Active low input				
Maximum FAULT Pin Voltage				60	V
FAULT Threshold Rising			1.2	1.5	V
FAULT Threshold Falling		0.7	1.0		V
FAULT Pin Current	$\overline{VFAULT} = 5 \text{ V, internal } 8.5 \text{ M}\Omega \text{ pull-}$		0.5	2	μΑ
	down resistor				

POWER SUPPLY

Table 4.

Parameter	Test Conditions/Comments	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
ANALOG POWER SUPPLY					
Operating Voltage Range					
AVCC		10		36	V
AVEE		-26		0	V
Analog Supply Range	AVCC – AVEE	10		36	V
Quiescent Current					
AVCC			4.7	6.5	mA
AVEE			4.4	6.0	mA
PWM POWER SUPPLY (VIN)					
VIN Voltage Range		6		60	V
VIN Supply Current	$R_{FREQ} = 100 \text{ k}\Omega, V_{SS} = 0 \text{ V, SYNC} = \text{open}$ circuit (OC), $\overline{FAULT} = \text{low, EN} = \text{high}$		2.2	3.0	mA
UVLO Threshold Rising	V _{IN} rising		5.75	6	V
UVLO Threshold Falling	V _{IN} falling	5.1	5.34		V

TEMPERATURE RANGE SPECIFICATIONS

Table 5.

Parameter	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
TEMPERATURE RANGE				
For Specified Performance	-40		+85	°C
Operational	-55		+125	°C

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Table 6.

Table 6.	
Parameter	Rating
Analog Supply Voltage (AVCC – AVEE)	36 V
PWM Supply Voltage (VIN – DGND)	-0.3 V to +61 V
Internal Regulator Voltage (VREG – DGND)	5.5 V
Voltage	
Input Pins (ISVP, ISVN, BVP, and BVN)	AVEE + 40 V
Analog Controller and Front-End Pins (ISREFH, ISREFL, BVREFL, BVREFH, VREF, VSET, VVPO, BVMEA, VVEO, VVE1, VINT, IVEO, IVE1, ISMEA, ISET)	AVCC – 40 V
PWM Pins	
SYNC, MODE	−0.3 V to +5.5 V
DH, DL, SS, DMAX, SCFG, DT, FREQ, CLVT	-0.3 V to VREG + 0.3 V
Current Limit Sense Pins (CLP, CLN)	-0.3 V to +61 V
FAULT Pin and EN Pin	-0.3 V to +61 V
Maximum Digital Supply Voltage	
Positive Analog Supply (VREG – AVCC)	0.3 V
Negative Analog Supply (VREG – AVEE)	-0.3 V
Maximum Digital Ground	
Positive Analog Supply (DGND – AVCC)	0.3 V
Negative Analog Supply (DGND – AVEE)	-0.3 V
Maximum Analog Ground	
Positive Analog Supply (AGND – AVCC)	0.3 V
Negative Analog Supply (AGND – AVEE)	-0.3 V
Analog Ground with Respect to the Digital Ground (AGND – DGND)	
Maximum	0.3 V
Minimum	-0.3 V
Storage Temperature Range	−65°C to +150°C

Stresses at or above those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the product. This is a stress rating only; functional operation of the product at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational section of this specification is not implied. Operation beyond the maximum operating conditions for extended periods may affect product reliability.

THERMAL RESISTANCE

Thermal performance is directly linked to printed circuit board (PCB) design and operating environment. Careful attention to PCB thermal design is required.

Table 7. Thermal Resistance

Package Type	θ_{JA}^2	Unit
ST-48 ¹	81	°C/W

¹ Dissipation \leq 0.3, TA = 25°C.

ESD CAUTION



ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device. Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

 $^{^2\}theta_{JA}$ is the natural convection junction to ambient thermal resistance measured in a one cubic foot sealed enclosure.

PIN CONFIGURATION AND FUNCTION DESCRIPTIONS

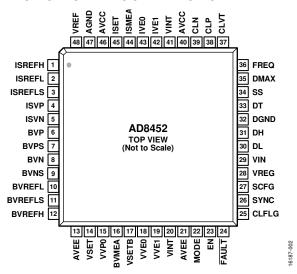


Figure 2. Pin Configuration

Table 8. Pin Function Descriptions

Pin No.	Mnemonic	Type ¹	Description
1	ISREFH	Input	Reference Input for the Current Sense Amplifier. Connect this pin to the VREF pin to shift the current-sense instrumentation amplifier output by 12.5 mV. Otherwise, connect this pin to the ISREFL pin.
2	ISREFL	Input	Reference Input for the Current Sense Amplifier. The default connection is to ground.
3	ISREFLS	Test	Kelvin Sense Pin for the ISREFL Pin.
4	ISVP	Input	Current Sense Instrumentation Amplifier Positive (Noninverting) Input. Connect this pin to the high side of the current sense shunt.
5	ISVN	Input	Current Sense Instrumentation Amplifier Negative (Inverting) Inputs. Connect this pin to the low side of the current sense shunt.
6	BVP	Input	Battery Voltage Difference Amplifier Positive (Noninverting) Input.
7	BVPS	Test	Kelvin Sense Pin for the Battery Voltage Difference Amplifier Input, BVP.
8	BVN	Input	Battery Voltage Difference Amplifier Negative (Inverting) Input.
9	BVNS	Test	Kelvin Sense Pin for the Battery Voltage Difference Amplifier Input, BVN.
10	BVREFL	Input	Reference Input for the Voltage Sense Difference Amplifier. The default connection for this pin i to ground.
11	BVREFLS	Test	Kelvin Sense Pin for the BVREFL Pin.
12	BVREFH	Input	Reference Input for the Difference Amplifier. Connect to the VREF pin to level shift V _{BVMEA} by approximately 12.5 mV. Otherwise, connect this pin to the BVREFL pin.
13, 21	AVEE	N/A	Analog Negative Supply Pins.
14	VSET	Input	Scaled CV Loop Control Input for Battery Charge or Discharge Cycle.
15	VVP0	Input	Noninverting CV Loop Filter Amplifier Input for Discharge Mode.
16	BVMEA	Output	Scaled Battery Voltage, Difference Amplifier Output.
17	VSETB	Output	Buffered VSET Voltage.
18	VVE0	Input	Inverting Input of the CV Loop Filter Amplifier When in Discharge Mode.
19	VVE1	Input	Inverting Input of the CV Loop Filter Amplifier When in Charge Mode.
20, 41	VINT	Output	Aggregated Result of the Battery Voltage and Current Sense Integration.
22	MODE	Logic input	Logic Level Input to Select between Charge and Discharge Modes. Bring this pin low for discharge mode, and bring this pin high for charge mode.
23	EN	Logic input	Logic Level Enable Input. Drive EN logic low to shut down the device. Drive EN logic high to turn on the device.
24	FAULT	Logic input	External Fault Comparator Connection. When not connected, this pin is pulled up using a 10 kΩ resistor to the VREG pin. The DH and DL drivers are disabled when FAULT is low, and are enabled when FAULT is high.

Pin No.	Mnemonic	Type ¹	Description
25	CLFLG	Output	Current-Limit Flag. CLFLG goes low and stays low when the AD8452 is in current limit mode. Connect a 10 k Ω (minimum) resistor to the VREG pin.
26	SYNC	Input/ output	C lock Synchronization Pin. Synchronizes the clock (switching frequency) when multiple channels are phase interleaved. Connect a 10 k Ω (minimum) resistor to the VREG pin.
27	SCFG	Input/ output	Synchronization Configuration Pin. See Table 10.
28	VREG	Output	Internal LDO 5 V Regulator Output and Internal Bias Supply. Connect a bypass capacitor of 1 μF or greater from this pin to ground.
29	VIN	Input	Supply Voltage to the PWM Section. VIN is typically the same as the output switch supply voltage.
30	DL	Output	Logic Drive Output for the External Low-Side Metal-Oxide Semiconductor Field-Effect Transistor (MOSFET) Driver.
31	DH	Output	Logic Drive Output for the External High-Side MOSFET Driver.
32	DGND	N/A	Digital and PWM Ground.
33	DT	Output	Dead Time Programming Pin. Connect an external resistor between this pin and ground to set the dead time. Do not leave this pin floating.
34	SS	Output	Soft Start Control Pin. A capacitor connected from the SS pin to ground sets the soft start ramp time. See the Selecting CSS section.
35	DMAX	Input	Maximum Duty Cycle Input. Connect an external resistor to ground to set the maximum duty cycle. If the 97% internal maximum duty cycle is sufficient for the application, tie this pin to VREG. If DMAX is left floating, this pin is internally pulled up to VREG.
36	FREQ	N/A	Frequency Set Pin. Connect an external resistor between this pin and ground to set the frequency between 50 kHz and 300 kHz. When the AD8452 is synchronized to an external clock (slave mode), set the slave frequency to 90% of the master frequency by multiplying the master R_{FREQ} value by 1.11.
37	CLVT	Input	Current-Limit Voltage Threshold. With user selected resistor value, CLVT establishes a threshold voltage for the current limit comparator. See the Select RCL and RCLVT for the Peak Current Limit section.
38	CLP	Input	Current-Limit/Diode Emulation Amplifier Positive Sense Pin.
39	CLN	Input	Current-Limit/Diode Emulation Amplifier Negative Sense Pin.
40, 46	AVCC	N/A	Analog Positive Supply Pins.
42	IVE1	Input	Inverting Input of the CC Loop Filter Amplifier When in Charge Mode.
43	IVE0	Input	Inverting Input of the CC Loop Filter Amplifier When in Discharge Mode.
44	ISMEA	Output	Current Sense Instrumentation Amplifier Output.
45	ISET	Input	Scaled CC Voltage Loop Control Input for Battery Charge or Discharge Cycles. ISET is typically the same for charge and discharge cycle.
47	AGND	N/A	Analog Ground.
48	VREF	Output	2.5 V Reference. Bypass this pin with a high quality 10 nF NP0 ceramic capacitor in series with a 10 Ω (maximum) resistor.

¹ N/A means not applicable.

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

AVCC = 15 V, AVEE = -15 V, VIN = 24 V, $T_A = 25$ °C, and $R_L = \infty$, unless otherwise noted.

IN-AMP CHARACTERISTICS

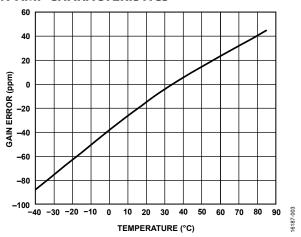


Figure 3. Gain Error vs. Temperature

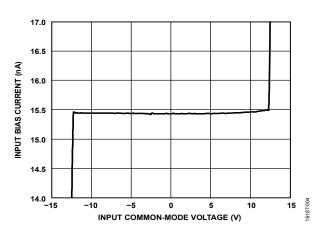


Figure 4. Input Bias Current vs. Input Common-Mode Voltage

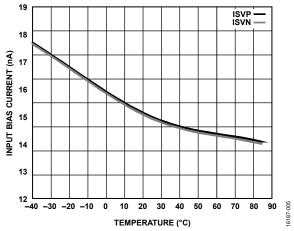


Figure 5. Input Bias Current vs. Temperature

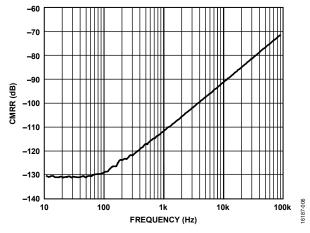


Figure 6. CMRR vs. Frequency

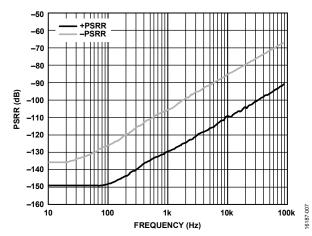


Figure 7. PSRR vs. Frequency

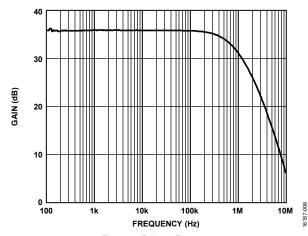


Figure 8. Gain vs. Frequency

DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER CHARACTERISTICS

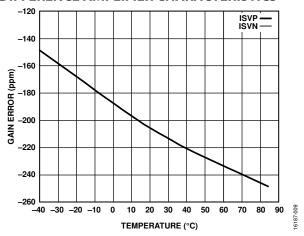


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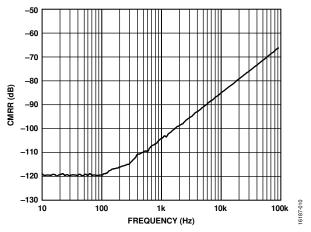


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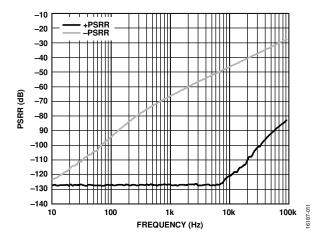


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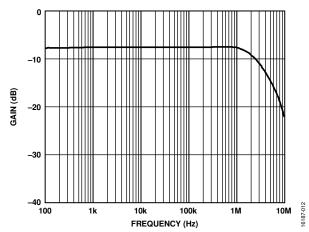


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CC AND CV LOOP FILTER AMPLIFIERS AND VSET BUFFER (EXCEPT WHERE NOTED)

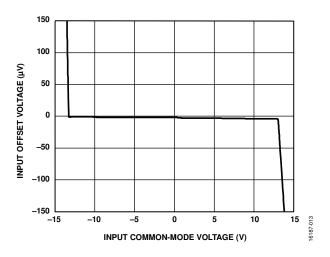


Figure 13. Input Offset Voltage vs. Input Common-Mode Voltage

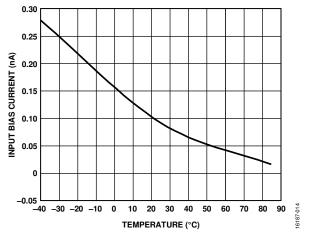


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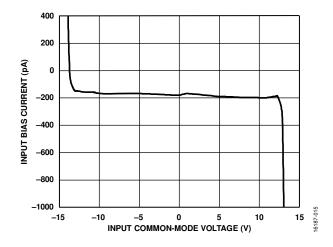


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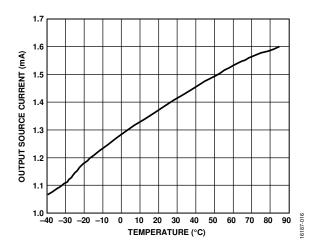


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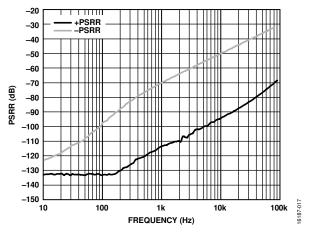


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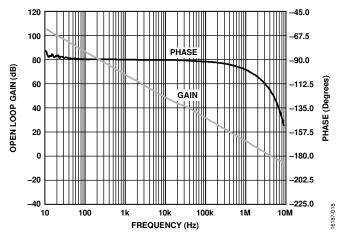


Figure 18. Open-Loop Gain and Phase vs. Frequency for CC and CV Loop Amplifiers

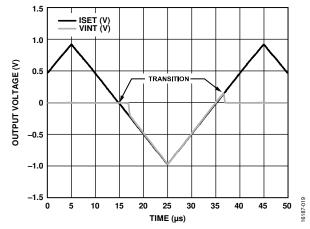


Figure 19. CC to CV Transition

REFERENCE CHARACTERISTICS

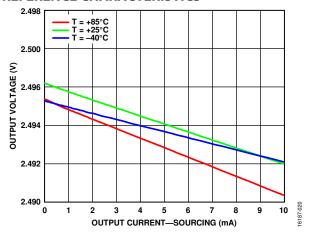


Figure 20. Sourcing Regulation for Three Values of Temperature

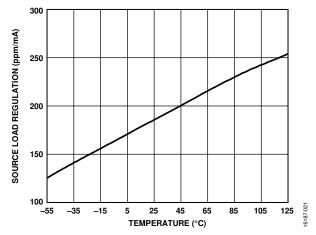


Figure 21. Source Load Regulation vs. Temperature

PULSE-WIDTH MODULATOR

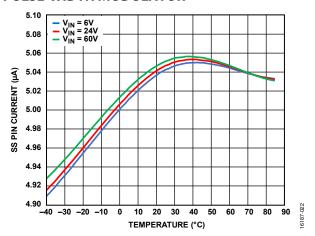


Figure 22. SS Pin Current vs. Temperature

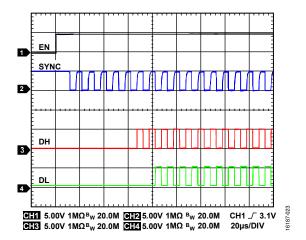


Figure 23. Timing, Referred to Startup (0 V to 5 V at EN Pin), As Observed at Three Logic Output Pins When AD8452 Is in Charge Mode

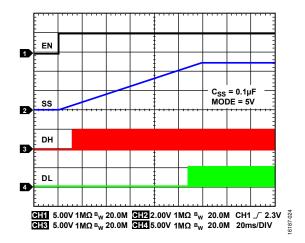


Figure 24. Soft Start Ramp Timing at SS Pin, Referred to Startup (0 V to 5 V at the EN Pin) As Observed at Logic Level Outputs, DH and DL, When AD8452 Is in Charge Mode

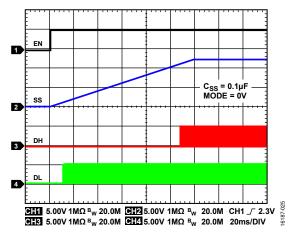


Figure 25. Shows Reversal of DH Pin and DL Pin Timing at Startup (0 V to 5 V at EN Pin) When AD8452 Is in Discharge Mode

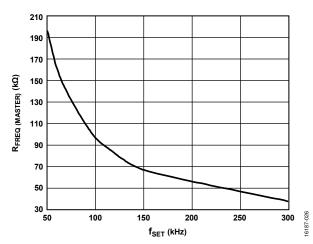


Figure 26. R_{FREQ (MASTER)} vs. Switching Frequency (f_{SET})

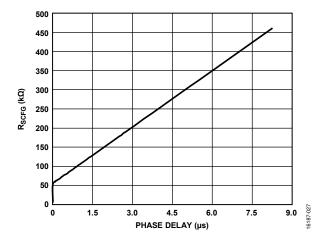


Figure 27. R_{SCFG} (Calculated) vs. Phase Time Delay (t_{DELAY})



Figure 28. DT Pin Resistance (RDT) vs. Dead Time (tDEAD)

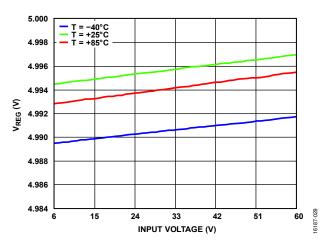


Figure 29. VREG vs. Input Voltage (V_{IN}) at Various Temperatures and No Load

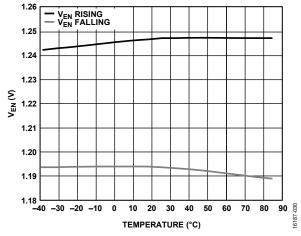


Figure 30. EN Pin Threshold Voltage (V_{EN}) vs. Temperature

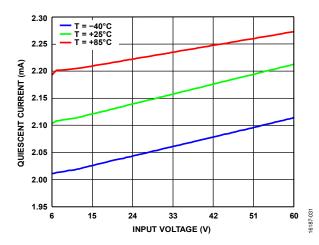


Figure 31. Quiescent Current vs. Input Voltage (V_{IN}) at Various Temperatures, EN Pin Low

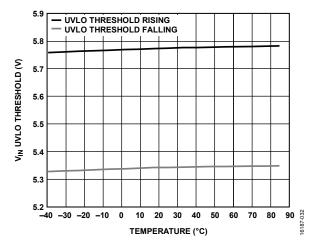


Figure 32. Input Voltage (V_{IN}) UVLO Threshold vs. Temperature

THEORY OF OPERATION INTRODUCTION

Lithium ion (Li-Ion) batteries require an elaborate and time consuming postproduction process known as forming. Battery formation consists of a series of charge/discharge cycles that require precise current and voltage control and monitoring. The AD8452 provides not only the stringent current and voltage accuracy requirements, but also a highly accurate PWM, with logic level DH and DL outputs ready for a half-H bridge configured switch mode power output converter—all in a highly compact 7 mm \times 7 mm package.

The analog front end of the AD8452 includes a precision current sense in-amp with gain of $66\times\pm0.1\%$ and a precision voltage sense difference amplifier with a gain of $0.4\times\pm0.1\%$ for battery voltage.

As shown in Figure 38, the AD8452 provides constant CC/CV charging technologies, with transparent internal switching between the two. Typical systems induce predetermined levels

of current into or out of the battery until the voltage reaches a target value. At this point, a set constant voltage is applied across the battery terminals, reducing the charge current until reaching zero.

The AD8452 features a complete PWM including on-board user adjustable features such as clock frequency, duty cycle, clock phasing, current limiting, soft start timing, and multichannel synchronization.

Figure 33 is the block diagram of the AD8452, illustrating the distinct sections of the AD8452, including the in-amp and difference amplifier measurement blocks, loop filter amplifiers, and PWM.

Figure 34 is a block diagram of the AD8452 integrated within a battery formation and test system. The AD8452 is usable over a wide range of current and voltage applications simply by judicious selection of a current sense shunt, selected according to system requirements.

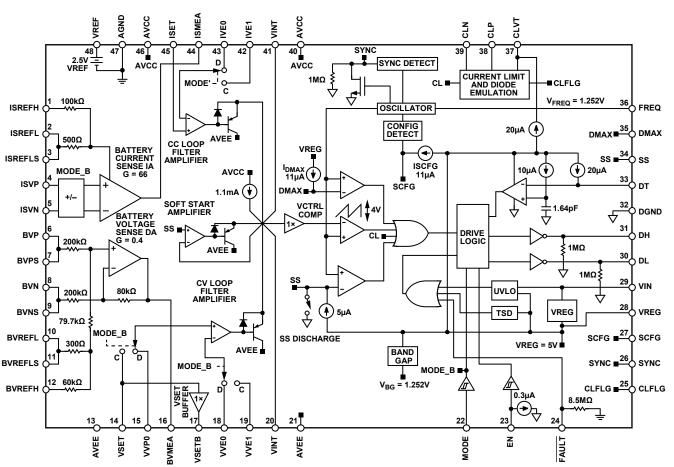


Figure 33. AD8452 Detailed Block Diagram

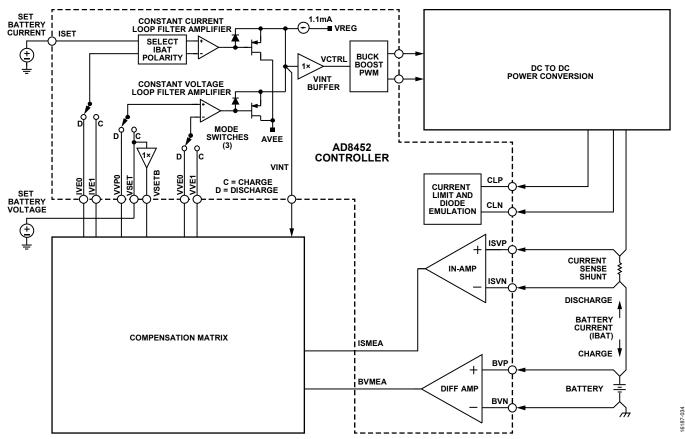


Figure 34. Signal Path of a Li-Ion Battery Formation and Test System Using the AD8452

INSTRUMENTATION AMPLIFIER (IN-AMP)

Figure 35 is a block diagram of the AD8452 in-amp used to monitor battery current when connected to a low ohmic value shunt. The architecture of the in-amp is the classic 3-op-amp topology, similar to the Analog Devices, Inc., industry-standard AD8221 or AD620, and is configured for a fixed gain of 66 V/V. This architecture, combined with ADI exclusive precision laser trimming, provides the highest achievable CMRR and optimizes error free (gain error better than 0.1%) high-side battery current sensing. For more information about instrumentation amplifiers, see *A Designer's Guide to Instrumentation Amplifiers*.

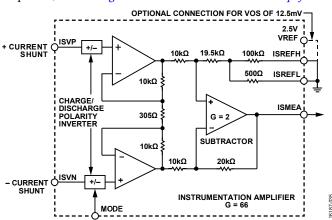


Figure 35. Simplified Block Diagram of the Precision 3-Op-Amp In-Amp

Reversing Polarity When Charging and Discharging

Figure 34 shows that during the charge cycle, the power converter drives current into the battery, generating a positive voltage across the current sense shunt. During the discharge cycle, however, the power converter drains current from the battery, generating a negative voltage across the shunt resistor. In other words, the battery current reverses polarity when the battery discharges.

When in the constant current discharge mode control loop, this reversal of the in-amp output voltage drives the integrator to the negative rail unless the polarity of the target current is reversed. To solve this problem, the AD8452 in-amp includes a double pole, double throw switch preceding its inputs that implements an input polarity inversion, thus correcting the sign of the output voltage (see Figure 33). This multiplexer is controlled via the MODE pin. When the MODE pin is logic high (charge mode), the in-amp gain is noninverting, and when the MODE pin is logic low (discharge mode), the in-amp gain is inverting. The polarity control of the current sense voltage to the input of the in-amp enables the integrator output voltage (VINT) to always swing positive, regardless of the polarity of the battery current.

In-Amp Offset Option

As shown in Figure 35, the in-amp reference node is connected to the ISREFL pin and ISREFH pin via an internal resistor divider. This resistor divider can be used to introduce a temperature insensitive offset to the output of the in-amp such that it always reads a voltage higher than zero for a zero differential input. Because the output voltage of the in-amp is always positive, a unipolar analog-to-digital converter (ADC) can digitize it.

When the ISREFH pin is tied to the VREF pin with the ISREFL pin grounded, the voltage at the ISMEA pin is increased by an offset voltage, Vos, of 12.5 mV, guaranteeing that the output of the in-amp is always positive for zero differential inputs. Other voltage shifts can be realized by tying the ISREFH pin to an external voltage source. The gain from the ISREFH pin to the ISMEA pin is 5 mV/V. For zero offset, connect the ISREFL pin and ISREFH pin to ground.

Battery Reversal and Overvoltage Protection

The AD8452 in-amp can be configured for high-side or low-side current sensing. If the in-amp is configured for high-side current sensing (see Figure 34) and the battery is connected backward, the in-amp inputs may be held at a voltage that is below the negative power rail (AVEE), depending on the battery voltage.

To prevent damage to the in-amp under these conditions, the in-amp inputs include overvoltage protection circuitry that allows them to be held at voltages of up to 55 V from the opposite power rail. In other words, the safe voltage span for the in-amp inputs extends from AVCC -55 V to AVEE +55 V.

DIFFERENCE AMPLIFIER

Figure 36 is a block diagram of the difference amplifier used to monitor the battery voltage. The architecture of the difference amplifier is a subtractor amplifier with a fixed gain of $0.4~\rm V/V$. This gain value allows the difference amplifier to funnel the voltage of a 5 V battery to a level that can be read by a 5 V ADC with a $4.096~\rm V$ reference.

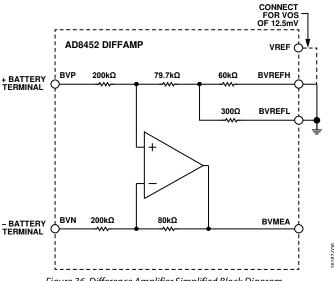


Figure 36. Difference Amplifier Simplified Block Diagram

The resistors that form the difference amplifier gain network are laser trimmed to a matching level better than $\pm 0.1\%$. This level of matching minimizes the gain error and gain error drift of the difference amplifier while maximizing the CMRR of the difference amplifier. This matching also allows the controller to set a stable target voltage for the battery over temperature while rejecting the ground bounce in the battery negative terminal.

Like the in-amp, the difference amplifier can also level shift its output voltage via an internal resistor divider that is tied to the difference amplifier reference node. This resistor divider is connected to the BVREFH pin and BVREFL pin.

When the BVREFH pin is tied to the VREF pin with the BVREFL pin grounded, the voltage at the BVMEA pin is increased by 12.5 mV, guaranteeing that the output of the difference amplifier is always positive for zero differential inputs. Other voltage offsets are realized by tying the BVREFH pin to an external voltage source. The gain from the BVREFH pin to the BVMEA pin is 5 mV/V. For zero offset, tie the BVREFL pin and the BVREFH pin to ground.

CC AND CV LOOP FILTER AMPLIFIERS

The CC and CV loop filter amplifiers are high precision, low noise specialty amplifiers with very low offset voltage and very low input bias current. These amplifiers serve two purposes:

- Using external components, the amplifiers implement active loop filters that set the dynamics (transfer function) of the CC and CV loops.
- The amplifiers perform a seamless transition from CC to CV mode after the battery reaches its target voltage.

Figure 37 is a functional block diagram of the AD8452 CC and CV feedback loops for charge mode (the MODE pin is logic high). For illustrative purposes, the external networks connected to the loop amplifiers are simple RC networks configured to form single-pole inverting integrators. This type of configuration exhibits very high dc precision when the feedback loop is closed, due to the high loop gain when the feedback loop is in place. The outputs of the CC and CV loop filter amplifiers are internally connected to the VINT pins via an analog NOR circuit (minimum output selector circuit), such that they can only pull the VINT node down. In other words, the loop amplifier that requires the lowest voltage at the VINT pins is in control of the node. Thus, only one loop, CC or CV, can be in control of the system charging control loop at any given time. When the loop is inactive (open, such as when the EN pin is low), the voltage at the VINT pins must be railed at AVCC.

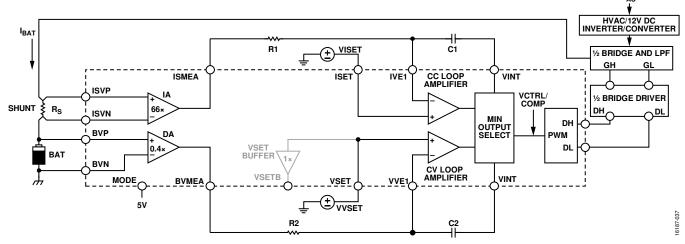


Figure 37. Functional Block Diagram of the CC and CV Loops in Charge Mode (MODE Pin High)

The VISET voltage source and VVSET voltage source set the target constant current and the target constant voltage, respectively. When the CC and CV feedback loops are in a steady state, the charging current is set at

$$I_{BAT} = \frac{V_{ISET}}{G_{IA} \times R_{S}}$$

where

 I_{BAT} is the steady state charging current.

 G_{IA} is the in-amp gain.

*R*_S is the value of the shunt resistor.

The target voltage is set at

$$V_{BAT} = \frac{V_{VSET}}{G_{DA}}$$

where:

 V_{BAT} is the steady state battery voltage.

 G_{DA} is the difference amplifier gain.

Because the offset voltage of the loop amplifiers is in series with the target voltage sources, V_{ISET} and V_{VSET} , the high precision of these amplifiers minimizes this source of error.

Charging Lithium-Ion (Li-Ion) Cells

Charging Li-Ion cells is a demonstrably more difficult process than charging most other batteries employing recyclable technologies. The voltage margin of error between optimum storage capacity and damage caused by overcharge is around 1%. Thus, Li-Ion cells are more critical to over/undercharging than any other type battery style, rechargeable or not.

Li-Ion batteries also exhibit the highest energy density per unit of weight and volume than any other style. Such high levels of energy density make them the first choice for portable applications, large and small, from cell phones to high capacity energy storage banks. Realizing their greatest potential requires careful attention to their charge characterization signature.

Concepts of Constant Current (CC) and Constant Voltage (CV)

Batteries can be charged in constant current or constant voltage modes. Figure 38 shows a typical CC/CV multiphase charge profile for a Li-Ion battery. In the first stage of the charging process, the battery is charged with a CC of 1 A. When the battery voltage reaches a target voltage of 4.2 V, the charging process transitions such that the battery is charged with a CV of 4.2 V.

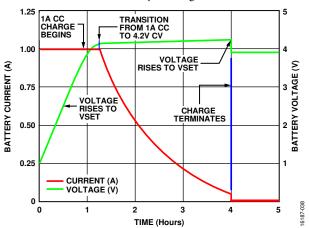


Figure 38. Representative Li-Ion Battery Charge Profile Showing Seamless CC to CV Transition

The following sequence of events describes how the AD8452 implements a typical CC/CV charging profile required for a Li-Ion battery. The scenario assumes a newly manufactured, unformed, never before charged battery, and the charge and discharge voltage and current levels along with appropriate time intervals have already been established empirically.

Energy levels (CC, CV, and time intervals are just a small percent of the battery final ratings). For this example, assume a 3.2 V 10 Ah battery is charging at IBAT = 2 A and VBAT = 4.2 V. The process begins with ISET = 66 mV and VSET = 1.68 V, configured for charge mode. Following the target VSET and ISET, the system is enabled by applying a logic high to the EN pin.

 At turn on, the default start-up voltages at the ISMEA pin and BVMEA pin are both zero, and both integrators (loop amplifiers) begin to ramp, increasing the voltage at the VINT node. (The voltage at the VINT pin always rises following an enable regardless of mode setting).

- 2. As the voltage at the VINT node increases, the output current I_{BAT} from the power converter starts to rise.
- 3. When the I_{BAT} current reaches the target CC steady state value I_{BAT} , the battery voltage is considerably less than the target steady state value, V_{BAT} . Therefore, the CV loop amplifier forces its output voltage high enough to disconnect itself from VINT. The CC loop prevails, maintaining the target charge current until the target VBAT is achieved and the CC loop stops integrating.
- 4. Due to the analog OR circuit, the loop amplifiers can only pull the VINT node down. The CC loop takes control of the charging feedback loop, and the CV loop is disabled.
- 5. As the charging process continues, the battery voltage increases until it reaches the steady state value, V_{BAT} , and the voltage at the BVMEA pin reaches the target voltage, V_{VSET} .
- 6. The CV loop tries to pull the VINT node down to reduce the charging current (I_{BAT}) and prevent the battery voltage from rising any further. At the same time, the CC loop tries to keep the VINT node at its current voltage to keep the battery current at I_{BAT}.

 Because the loop amplifiers can only pull the VINT node down due to the analog NOR circuit, the CV loop takes control of the charging feedback loop, and the CC loop is disabled.

The analog OR (minimum output selector) circuit that couples the outputs of the loop amplifiers is optimized to minimize the transition time from CC to CV control. Any delay in the transition causes the CC loop to remain in control of the charge feedback loop after the battery voltage reaches its target value. Therefore, the battery voltage continues to rise beyond V_{BAT} until the control loop transitions; that is, the battery voltage overshoots its target voltage. When the CV loop takes control of the charge feedback loop, it reduces the battery voltage to the target voltage. A large overshoot in the battery voltage due to transition delays can damage the battery; thus, it is crucial to minimize delays by implementing a fast CC to CV transition.

Figure 39 is the functional block diagram of the AD8452 CC and CV feedback loops for discharge mode (MODE logic pin is low). In discharge mode, the feedback loops operate in a similar manner as in charge mode. The only difference is in the CV loop amplifier, which operates as a noninverting integrator in discharge mode. For illustration purposes, the external networks connected to the loop amplifiers are simple RC networks configured to form single-pole integrators.

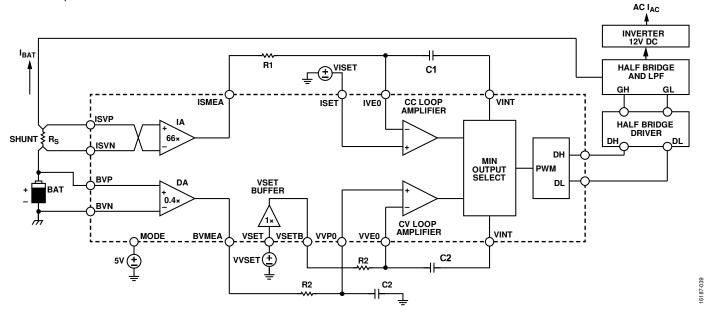


Figure 39. Functional Block Diagram of the CC and CV Loops in Discharge Mode (MODE Pin Low)

Compensation

In battery formation and test systems, the CC and CV feedback loops have significantly different open-loop gain and crossover frequencies; therefore, each loop requires its own frequency compensation. The active filter architecture of the AD8452 CC and CV loops allows the frequency response of each loop to be set independently via external components. Moreover, due to the internal switches in the CC and CV amplifiers, the frequency response of the loops in charge mode does not affect the frequency response of the loops in discharge mode.

Unlike simpler controllers that use passive networks to ground for frequency compensation, the AD8452 allows the use of feedback networks for its CC and CV loop filter amplifiers. These networks enable the implementation of both proportional differentiator (PD) Type II and proportional integrator differentiator (PID) Type III compensators. Note that in charge mode, both the CC and CV loops implement inverting compensators, whereas in discharge mode, the CC loop implements an inverting compensator, and the CV loop implements a noninverting compensator. As a result, the CV loop in discharge mode includes an additional amplifier, the VSET buffer, to buffer the VSET node from the feedback network VINT buffer.

CHARGE AND DISCHARGE CONTROL

Conditions to Charge and Discharge a Battery

Battery charging and discharging requires separate paradigms in terms of the analog requirements and the PWM configurations. These paradigms are based on manufacturer provided information, most importantly the C rating where C is simply the battery capacity expressed in ampere hours. For example, if the battery is C rated as 10 Ah, and the charge rate is specified as 0.2 C, the charge current is 2 A for a duration of 5 hours.

To charge, the applied voltage must be greater than the voltage of the battery under charge and the current must not exceed the manufacturers specification, usually expressed as a fraction of the full C rating. When discharging, the opposite conditions apply; the discharge voltage must be less than the unloaded battery voltage, and the current flows out of the battery, reversing the polarity of the shunt voltage.

Multiple charge/discharge sequences can last for days at a time before the battery achieves its optimum storage capacity, and the charge/discharge currents and voltages must be accurately monitored.

MODE Pin

The MODE pin is a logic level input that selects charge with a logic high ($V_{\text{MODE}} > 2 \text{ V}$) or discharge with a logic low ($V_{\text{MODE}} < 0.8 \text{ V}$). All the analog and PWM circuitry for charging and discharging of the battery is configured and is latched in when the EN pin goes high.

The MODE pin controls the polarity of the internal analog loop and the DH/DL sequence. In charge mode, DH precedes DL; in discharge mode, DL precedes DH.

When the AD8452 operates in charge mode, the PWM operates in a buck configuration. In discharge mode, the configuration changes to boost. See Figure 40 and Figure 41 for the AD8452 DH and DL behavior in each mode. On the rising edge of EN, the state of the MODE pin is latched, preventing the mode of operation from being changed while the device is enabled. To change between charge and discharge modes of operation, shut down or disable the AD8452, adjust the MODE pin to change the operating mode, and reenable the system.

The operating mode can be changed when the EN pin is driven low, the FAULT pin is driven low, or the AD8452 is disabled via a TSD event or UVLO condition. On the rising edge of the FAULT control signal, the state of the MODE pin is latched, preventing the mode of operation from being changed while the device is enabled.

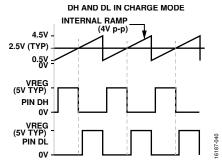


Figure 40. DH and DL Output Waveforms for Charge Mode
DH AND DL IN DISCHARGE MODE

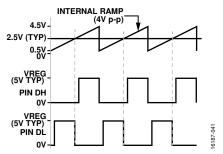


Figure 41. DH and DL Output Waveforms for Discharge Mode

INPUT AND OUTPUT SUPPLY PINS

The AD8452 has five power supply input pins, a pair each of the internally connected AVCC pin and AVEE pin for the analog section and Input VIN for the PWM section. The maximum supply voltage for the VIN pin is 60 V; if operating with an input voltage greater than 50 V, see Figure 42 for recommended additional input filtering.

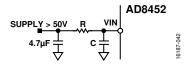


Figure 42. Recommended Filter Configuration for Input Voltages Greater Than 50 V

For optimum protection from switching and other ambient noise, all of these supply pins must be bypassed to ground with high quality ceramic capacitors (X7R or better), located as near as possible to the device.

VREG is an internal 5 V supply that powers the control circuitry including all the current sources for user selected PWM features. It is active as long as VIN is above the internal UVLO (5.75 V typical). VREG may be used as a pull-up voltage for the MODE, SYNC, DMAX, and FAULT pins and any other external pull-ups as long as the additional current does not exceed 5 mA. Bypass the VREG pin to ground with a 1 µF ceramic capacitor.

SHUTDOWN

The EN input turns the AD8452 PWM section on or off and can operate from voltages up to 60 V. When the EN voltage is less than 1.2 V (typical), the PWM shuts down, and DL and DH are driven low. When the PWM shuts down, the VIN supply current is $15 \,\mu\text{A}$ (typical). When the EN voltage is greater than $1.26\,\text{V}$ (typical), the PWM is enabled.

In addition to the EN pin, the PWM is disabled via a fault condition flagged by an TSD, an undervoltage lockout (UVLO) condition on VIN, or an external fault condition via the FAULT pin.

When changing the operating mode, it is necessary to disable the AD8452 by setting the EN pin low.

UNDERVOLTAGE LOCKOUT (UVLO)

The UVLO function prevents the PWM from turning on until voltage $V_{IN} \ge 5.75 \text{ V}$ (typical). The UVLO enable state has ~410 mV of hysteresis to prevent the PWM from turning on and off repeatedly if the supply voltage to the VIN pin ramps slowly. The UVLO disables the PWM when $V_{\rm IN}$ drops below 5.34 V (typical).

SOFT START

The AD8452 has a programmable soft start that prevents output voltage overshoot during startup. When the EN pin goes high, an internal 5 µA current source connected to the SS pin begins charging the external capacitor, Css, that is connected to VREG (5 V), creating a linear voltage ramp (Vss) that controls several time sensitive PWM control functions.

When V_{SS} < 0.52 V (typical), the DH and DL logic outputs are both low. When V_{SS} exceeds 0.52 V (typical), nonsynchronous switching is enabled, either the DH pin or the DL pin logic output become active, and the PWM duty cycle gradually increases. When V_{SS} > 4.5 V (typical), synchronous switching is enabled (see Figure 43 and Figure 44).

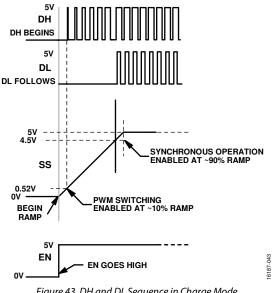


Figure 43. DH and DL Sequence in Charge Mode

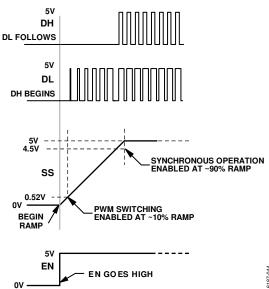


Figure 44. DH and DL Sequence in Discharge Mode

In conjunction with the MODE pin, the VSS ramp also establishes when the DH and DL, logic outputs and thus the output FET switches, become active. In charge mode (Mode high), the pulse sequence at the DH pin precedes that at the DL pin. Conversely, in discharge mode, the sequence is reversed and the DL pin precedes the DH pin.

The duty cycle of the DH and DL drive pins increase in proportion to the ramp level, reducing the output voltage overshoot during startup (see the Selecting CSS section).

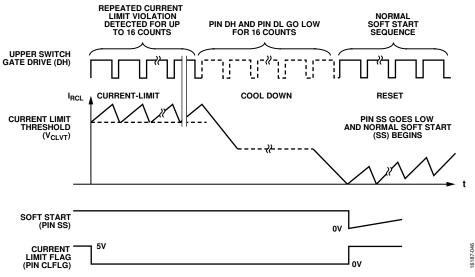


Figure 45. Recovery from a Peak Current-Limit Event

PWM DRIVE SIGNALS

The AD8452 has two 5 V logic level output drive signals, DH and DL, that are compatible with MOSFET drivers such as the ADuM3223 or ADuM7223. The DH and DL drive signals synchronously turn on and off the high-side and low-side switches driven from the external driver. The AD8452 provides a resistor programmable dead time to prevent the DH pin and DL pin from transitioning at the same time, as shown in Figure 46. Connect a resistor from the DT pin to ground to program the dead time.

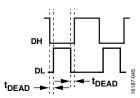


Figure 46. Dead Time (tDEAD) Between DH and DL Transitions

When driving capacitive loads with the DH and DL pins, a 20 Ω resistor must be placed in series with the capacitive load to reduce ground noise and ensure signal integrity.

PEAK CURRENT PROTECTION AND DIODE EMULATION (SYNCHRONOUS)

Peak Current-Limit Detection

The AD8452 provides an adjustable peak current limit for fast response to overcurrent conditions. When the peak current limit is reached, the main switching FET is turned off, limiting the peak current for the switching cycle and the CLFLG pin is driven low. When the peak inductor current exceeds the programmed current limit for more than 16 consecutive clock cycles, a peak current overload condition occurs. If the current overload condition exists for less than 16 consecutive cycles, the counter is reset to zero and the peak current overload condition is avoided. During the peak current-limit condition, the SS capacitor is discharged to ground, and the drive signals (DL and DH) are disabled for the next 16 clock cycles to allow the FETs to cool down (current overload mode). When the 16 clock cycles expire, the AD8452 restarts with a new soft start cycle. Figure 45 shows the sequence for a peak current-limit event.

As shown in Figure 47, the inductor current, $I_{\rm RCL}$,is sensed by a low value resistor, $R_{\rm CL}$ (for example, 5 m Ω), placed between the output inductor and capacitor. The $I_{\rm RCL}$ current is bidirectional, depending on whether the AD8452 is in charge or discharge mode. The MODE pin automatically controls the polarity of the voltage sampled across $R_{\rm CL}$ to set the peak current-limit detection. Because the average output voltage at the junction of the low-pass filter inductor and capacitor is equal to the battery potential, the common-mode voltage is rejected, leaving only the desired differential result.