

Extending Battery Life With the TPS61040 Low-Power, DC-DC Boost Converter

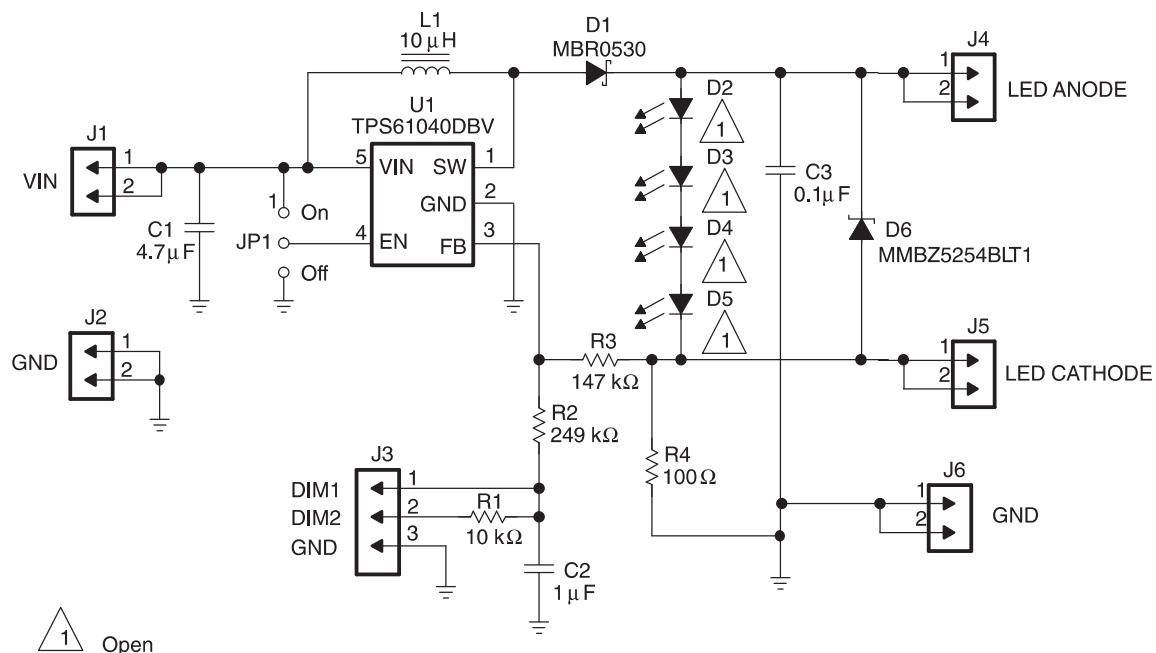
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ABSTRACT

This document describes application examples and reference designs for the TPS61040 boost converter. The following application example describes how to implement the TPS61040 low-power, dc-dc boost converter to drive white light LEDs. Also provided are design equations for calculating the proper resistor values for a white LED driver that includes provisions for dimming the LED brightness. The reference design shows an implementation of the TPS61040 to help extend battery life.

1 Features

- 1.8 V to 6 V Input Voltage Range
- Adjustable Output Voltage Range up to 28 V
- 400 mA (TPS61040) and 250 mA (TPS61041) Internal Switch Current
- Up to 1 MHz Switching Frequency
- 28 μ A Typical No Load Quiescent Current
- 1 μ A Typical Shutdown Current
- Internal Softstart
- Available in a Tiny 5-Pin SOT23 Package



TPS61040 Reference Design

The preceding application drives four LEDs and includes the capability to dim the light output. The following equations calculate the correct resistor values for the circuit.

$$R_4 = \frac{V_{CS}}{I_{out_max}}$$

$$R_2 = R_{bias} \times \frac{(V_{adj_max} - V_{fb}) \times V_{CS} + V_{fb} \times (V_{adj_min} - V_{adj_max})}{(V_{fb} - V_b) \times V_{CS}}$$

$$R_3 = \frac{(V_{fb} - V_{CS}) \times R_{bias} \times R_2}{(R_2 \times V_b - R_2 \times V_{fb} + R_{bias} \times V_{adj_min} - R_{bias} \times V_{fb})} \quad (1)$$

Where:

V_{CS} is the desired maximum voltage across the current sense resistor.

I_{out_max} is the maximum LED current.

R_{bias} is the chosen value for the additional bias resistor.

V_{adj_min} is the minimum voltage used to adjust the LED current.

V_{adj_max} is the maximum voltage used to adjust the LED current.

V_{fb} is the reference voltage of the TPS61040 (1.233 V).

V_b is the bias voltage

2 TPS61040 Reference Design

The following reference design uses the TPS61040 boost converter to provide 20 mA of bias current to a four-element white LED from a single-cell Li-Ion battery (3 V to 4.2 V).

2.1 TPS61040 Bill of Materials

Qty	Reference Designator	Description	Size	MFR	Part Number
1	C2	Capacitor, ceramic, 1.0 μ F, 6.3 V, X5R, 15%	603	Murata	GRM188R60J105KA01
1	C3	Capacitor, ceramic, 0.1 μ F, 16 V, X7R, 10%	603	Murata	GRM188R71C104KA01
1	D1	Diode, Schottky, 350 mA, 40V	SOD-123	OnSemi	MBR0530T1
	D2–D5	Unpopulated (open)			
1	D6	Diode, Zener, 27 V, 94 mA, 225 mW, 5%	SOT23	Motorola	MMBZ5254BLT1
5	J1, J2, J4–J6	Header, 2 pin, 100 -mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 \times 2"	Sullins	PTC36SAAN
1	J3	Header, 3 pin, 100-mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 \times 3"	Sullins	PTC36SAAN
1	JP1	Header, 3 pin, 100-mil spacing, (36-pin strip)	0.100 \times 3"	Sullins	PTC36SAAN
1	L1	Inductor, SMT, 10 mH, 0.76 A, 0.23 m Ω	0.150 \times 0.162	Sumida	CR32-100
1	R1	Resistor, chip, 10.0 k Ω , 1/16 W, 1%	603	Std	Std
1	R2	Resistor, chip, 249 k Ω , 1/16 W, 1%	603	Std	Std
1	R3	Resistor, chip, 147 k Ω , 1/16 W, 1%	603	Std	Std
1	R4	Resistor, chip, 100 Ω , 1/16 W, 1%	603	Std	Std
1	U1	IC, High-efficiency boost converter	SOT23-5 (DBV)	TI	TPS61040DBV
1	–	PCB, 1.6 In \times 1.1 In \times 0.062 In		Any	SLVP210
1	–	Shunt, 100 mil, black	0.100	3M	929950-00

The first table that follows shows calculated resistor value to help extend the battery life. The battery life is calculated using a 1000-mA/hr Li-Ion battery. The second table shows how the new resistor values extend battery life.

V _{CS} (V)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.25	0.25	0.25
V _{bias} (V)	3.3	5	12.7	3.3	5	12.7
R _{bias} (kΩ)	499	499	499	499	499	499
R2 (kΩ)	1466	8.4	264	3430	1882	618
R3 (kΩ)	222	122	40	260	143	47
R4 (Ω)	25	25	25	12.5	12.5	12.5

V _{CS} (V)	2	0.5	0.5	0.25	0.25
V _{bias} (V)	N/A	5	V _{out} ⁽¹⁾	5	V _{out} ⁽²⁾
I _{out} (mA)	20	20	20	20	20
V _{out} (V)	14.77	13.17	13.17	12.92	12.92
I _{in} (mA)	95.8	84.9	85	83.1	83.4
Effiec (%)	85.6	86.2	86.2	86.3	86.1
Battery Life at 100% duty (hours)	10.4	11.8	11.8	15.4	15.4

⁽¹⁾ V_{out} is approximately 13.17 V

⁽²⁾ V_{out} is approximately 12.92 V

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