High-efficiency solar battery charger



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High-performance solar battery charger with embedded maximum power point tracking

The SPV1040 is a high-efficiency, low-power, low-voltage DC-DC step-up converter that maximizes the energy transferred from the solar panel to the load using an embedded MPPT algorithm. It is based on a perturb-and-observe method which applies a duty cycle variation to a PWM signal according to the input power trend.

Furthermore, the device guarantees the safety of the application by implementing either an overcurrent or overtemperature protection and by regulating the battery voltage at any time.

The 0.3 V start-up input voltage is well suited to any portable application where only a few photovoltaic power cells are used.

Key features

- 0.3 V up to 5.5 V input operating voltage
- 120 mΩ internal active switch
- 140 mΩ internal synchronous rectifier
- 2 up to 5.2 V output voltage regulation
- 1.8 A maximum input current
- 155 °C over-temperature shutdown

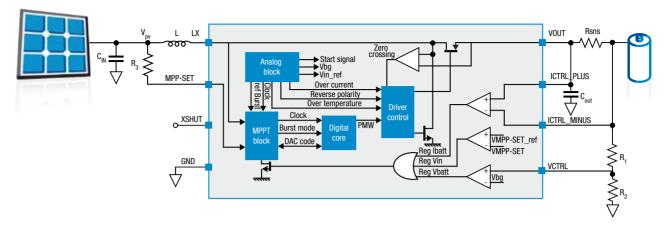
Key benefits

- Energy harvesting in very low-power applications
- Up to 95% efficiency
- Battery charge current monitoring
- Output voltage regulation
- Thermal protection

Targeted applications

- Portable consumer devices
- Toys, mobile phones
- Portable healthcare, sensors, calculators, watches, surveillance

SPV1040 application diagram



SPV1040 product table

Part number	Input voltage (V)	Regulated output voltage (V)	Maximum input current (A)	Thermal shutdown	Output current limitation	Shutdown enable pin	Package
SPV1040T	0.3 up to 5.5	2 up to 5.2	1.8	Y	Y	Y	TSSOP8 tube
SPV1040TTR	0.3 up to 5.5	2 up to 5.2	1.8	Y	Y	Y	TSSOP8 tape and reel

The STEVAL-ISV006V2 demonstration board simplifies application development and easily achieves the best trade off at system level by matching either the panel or the battery characteristics. The STEVAL-ISV012V1 is a demonstration board that maximizes the solar energy harvested while optimizing the charging profile and protecting Li-ion batteries.





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