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# 12-Bit 300ksps ADCs with FIFO, Temp Sensor, Internal Reference

## General Description

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 are serial 12-bit analog-to-digital converters (ADCs) with an internal reference and an internal temperature sensor. These devices feature on-chip FIFO, scan mode, internal clock mode, internal averaging, and AutoShutdown™. The maximum sampling rate is 300ksps using an external clock. The MAX1230 has 16 input channels, the MAX1228 has 12 input channels, and the MAX1226 has 8 input channels. All input channels are configurable for single-ended or differential inputs in unipolar or bipolar mode. All three devices operate from a +5V supply and contain a 10MHz SPI™/QSPI™/MICROWIRE™-compatible serial port.

The MAX1230 is available in 28-pin 5mm x 5mm thin QFN with exposed pad and 24-pin QSOP packages. The MAX1226/MAX1228 are only available in QSOP packages. All three devices are specified over the extended -40°C to +85°C temperature range.

## Applications

System Supervision  
Data-Acquisition Systems  
Industrial Control Systems  
Patient Monitoring  
Data Logging  
Instrumentation

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## Features

- ◆ Internal Temperature Sensor ( $\pm 0.7^\circ\text{C}$  Accuracy)
- ◆ 16-Entry First-In/First-Out (FIFO)
- ◆ Analog Multiplexer with True Differential Track/Hold
  - 16-, 12-, 8-Channel Single Ended
  - 8-, 6-, 4-Channel True Differential (Unipolar or Bipolar)
- ◆ Accuracy:  $\pm 1$  LSB INL,  $\pm 1$  LSB DNL, No Missing Codes Over Temperature
- ◆ Scan Mode, Internal Averaging, and Internal Clock
- ◆ Low-Power Single +5V Operation  
2.3mA at 300ksps
- ◆ Internal 4.096V Reference or External Differential Reference
- ◆ 10MHz 3-Wire SPI/QSPI/MICROWIRE-Compatible Interface
- ◆ Space-Saving 28-Pin 5mm x 5mm Thin QFN Package

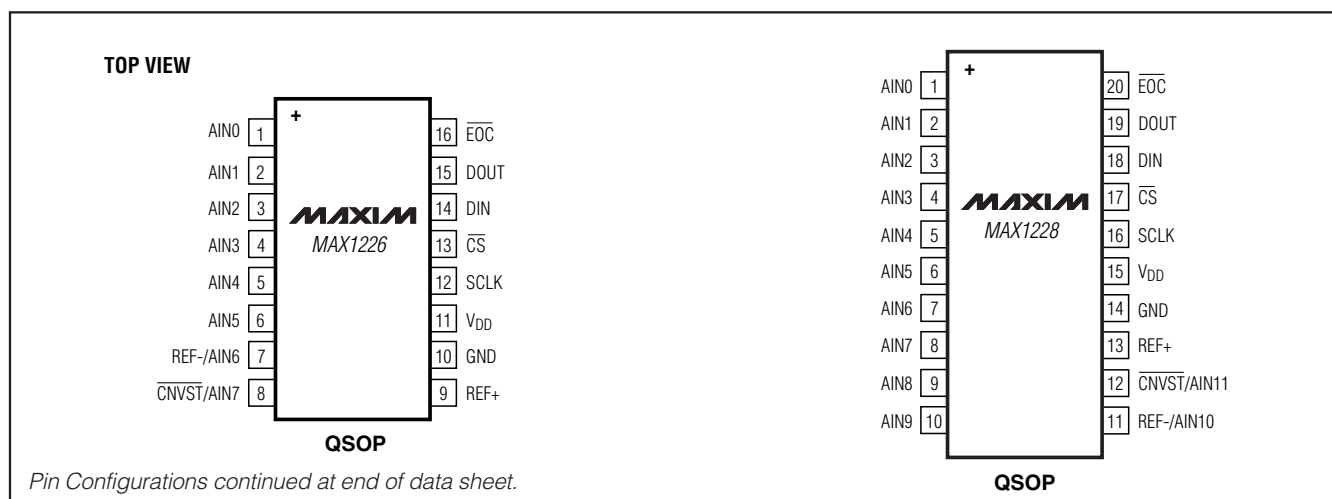
## Ordering Information

| PART         | TEMP RANGE     | PIN-PACKAGE |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| MAX1226BCEE+ | 0°C to +70°C   | 16 QSOP     |
| MAX1226BEEE+ | -40°C to +85°C | 16 QSOP     |
| MAX1228BCEP+ | 0°C to +70°C   | 20 QSOP     |
| MAX1228BEEP+ | -40°C to +85°C | 20 QSOP     |

+ Denotes a lead(Pb)-free/RoHS-compliant package.  
\*EP = Exposed pad (TQFN only). Connect to GND.

Ordering Information continued at end of data sheet.

## Pin Configurations



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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

|   |                                   |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| V <sub>DD</sub> to GND  | -0.3V to +6V                      |
| CS, SCLK, DIN, EOC, DOUT to GND   | -0.3V to (V <sub>DD</sub> + 0.3V) |
| AIN0–AIN13, REF-/AIN <sub>-</sub> , CNVST/AIN <sub>-</sub> ,<br>REF+ to GND | -0.3V to (V <sub>DD</sub> + 0.3V) |
| Maximum Current into Any Pin  | 50mA                              |
| Continuous Power Dissipation (T <sub>A</sub> = +70°C)                       |                                   |
| 16-Pin QSOP (derate 8.3mW/°C above +70°C)                                   | 667mW                             |
| 20-Pin QSOP (derate 9.1mW/°C above +70°C)                                   | 727mW                             |
| 24-Pin QSOP (derate 9.5mW/°C above +70°C)                                   | 762mW                             |
| 28-Pin Thin QFN 5mm x 5mm<br>(derate 20.8mW/°C above +70°C)                 | 1667mW                            |

### Operating Temperature Ranges

|                                   |                 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|
| MAX12__C__                        | 0°C to +70°C    |
| MAX12__E__                        | -40°C to +85°C  |
| Storage Temperature Range         | -60°C to +150°C |
| Junction Temperature              | +150°C          |
| Lead Temperature (soldering, 10s) | +300°C          |
| Soldering Temperature (reflow)    | +260°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

(V<sub>DD</sub> = +5V ±5%, f<sub>SAMPLE</sub> = 300kHz, f<sub>SCLK</sub> = 4.8MHz (50% duty cycle), V<sub>REF</sub> = 4.096V, T<sub>A</sub> = T<sub>MIN</sub> to T<sub>MAX</sub>, unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at T<sub>A</sub> = +25°C.)

| PARAMETER   | SYMBOL | CONDITIONS   | MIN | TYP  | MAX  | UNITS         |
|---|--------|--|-----|------|------|---------------|
| <b>DC ACCURACY (Note 1)</b>   |        |  |     |      |      |               |
| Resolution  | RES    |  | 12  |      |      | Bits          |
| Integral Nonlinearity   | INL    |  |     |      | ±1.0 | LSB           |
| Differential Nonlinearity   | DNL    | No missing codes over temperature                      |     |      | ±1.0 | LSB           |
| Offset Error  |        |  |     | ±0.5 | ±4.0 | LSB           |
| Gain Error  |        | (Note 2)   |     | ±0.5 | ±4.0 | LSB           |
| Offset Error Temperature Coefficient  |        |  |     | ±2   |      | ppm/°C<br>FSR |
| Gain Temperature Coefficient  |        |  |     | ±0.8 |      | ppm/°C        |
| Channel-to-Channel Offset Matching  |        |  |     | ±0.1 |      | LSB           |
| <b>DYNAMIC SPECIFICATIONS (30kHz sine wave input, 4.096V<sub>p-p</sub>, 300ksps, f<sub>SCLK</sub> = 4.8MHz)</b> |        |  |     |      |      |               |
| Signal-to-Noise Plus Distortion   | SINAD  |  |     | 73   |      | dB            |
| Total Harmonic Distortion   | THD    | Up to the 5th harmonic                                 |     | -88  |      | dBc           |
| Spurious-Free Dynamic Range   | SFDR   |  |     | 89   |      | dBc           |
| Intermodulation Distortion  | IMD    | f <sub>in1</sub> = 29.9kHz, f <sub>in2</sub> = 30.2kHz |     | 76   |      | dBc           |
| Full-Power Bandwidth  |        | -3dB point   |     | 1    |      | MHz           |
| Full-Linear Bandwidth   |        | S / (N + D) > 68dB                                     |     | 100  |      | kHz           |

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

( $V_{DD} = +5V \pm 5\%$ ,  $f_{SAMPLE} = 300kHz$ ,  $f_{SCLK} = 4.8MHz$  (50% duty cycle),  $V_{REF} = 4.096V$ ,  $T_A = T_{MIN}$  to  $T_{MAX}$ , unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .)

| PARAMETER                          | SYMBOL     | CONDITIONS                                   | MIN          | TYP        | MAX             | UNITS            |
|------------------------------------|------------|--|--------------|------------|-----------------|------------------|
| <b>CONVERSION RATE</b>             |            |  |              |            |                 |                  |
| Power-Up Time                      | $t_{PU}$   | External reference                           |              | 0.8        |                 | $\mu s$          |
|                                    |            | Internal reference (Note 3)                  |              | 65         |                 |                  |
| Acquisition Time                   | $t_{ACQ}$  |  |              |            | 0.6             | $\mu s$          |
| Conversion Time                    | $t_{CONV}$ | Internally clocked                           |              | 3.5        |                 | $\mu s$          |
|                                    |            | Externally clocked (Note 4)                  | 2.7          |            |                 |                  |
| External Clock Frequency           | $f_{SCLK}$ | Externally clocked conversion                | 0.1          |            | 4.8             | MHz              |
|                                    |            | Data I/O                                     |              |            | 10              |                  |
| Aperture Delay                     |            |  |              | 30         |                 | ns               |
| Aperture Jitter                    |            |  |              | <50        |                 | ps               |
| <b>ANALOG INPUT</b>                |            |  |              |            |                 |                  |
| Input Voltage Range                |            | Unipolar                                     | 0            |            | $V_{REF}$       | V                |
|                                    |            | Bipolar (Note 5)                             | $-V_{REF}/2$ |            | $V_{REF}/2$     |                  |
| Input Leakage Current              |            | $V_{IN} = V_{DD}$                            |              | $\pm 0.01$ | $\pm 1$         | $\mu A$          |
| Input Capacitance                  |            | During acquisition time (Note 6)             |              | 24         |                 | pF               |
| <b>INTERNAL TEMPERATURE SENSOR</b> |            |  |              |            |                 |                  |
| Measurement Error (Note 7)         |            | $T_A = +25^\circ C$                          |              | $\pm 0.7$  |                 | $^\circ C$       |
|                                    |            | $T_A = T_{MIN}$ to $T_{MAX}$                 |              | $\pm 1.2$  | $\pm 3.0$       |                  |
| Temperature Measurement Noise      |            |  |              | 0.1        |                 | $^\circ C_{RMS}$ |
| Temperature Resolution             |            |  |              | 1/8        |                 | $^\circ C$       |
| Power-Supply Rejection             |            |  |              | 0.3        |                 | $^\circ C/V$     |
| <b>INTERNAL REFERENCE</b>          |            |  |              |            |                 |                  |
| REF Output Voltage                 |            |  | 4.024        | 4.096      | 4.168           | V                |
| REF Temperature Coefficient        | $TC_{REF}$ |  |              | $\pm 20$   |                 | ppm/ $^\circ C$  |
| Output Resistance                  |            |  |              | 6.5        |                 | k $\Omega$       |
| REF Output Noise                   |            |  |              | 200        |                 | $\mu V_{RMS}$    |
| REF Power-Supply Rejection         | PSRR       |  |              | -70        |                 | dB               |
| <b>EXTERNAL REFERENCE INPUT</b>    |            |  |              |            |                 |                  |
| REF- Input Voltage Range           | $V_{REF-}$ |  | 0            |            | 500             | mV               |
| REF+ Input Voltage Range           | $V_{REF+}$ |  | 1.0          |            | $V_{DD} + 50mV$ | V                |
| REF+ Input Current                 | $I_{REF+}$ | $V_{REF+} = 4.096V$ , $f_{SAMPLE} = 300ksps$ |              | 40         | 100             | $\mu A$          |
|                                    |            | $V_{REF+} = 4.096V$ , $f_{SAMPLE} = 0$       |              | $\pm 0.1$  | $\pm 5$         |                  |

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## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

( $V_{DD} = +5V \pm 5\%$ ,  $f_{SAMPLE} = 300kHz$ ,  $f_{SCLK} = 4.8MHz$  (50% duty cycle),  $V_{REF} = 4.096V$ ,  $T_A = T_{MIN}$  to  $T_{MAX}$ , unless otherwise noted. Typical values are at  $T_A = +25^\circ C$ .)

| PARAMETER                                    | SYMBOL     | CONDITIONS                                     | MIN                      | TYP        | MAX       | UNITS   |
|--|------------|--|--------------------------|------------|-----------|---------|
| <b>DIGITAL INPUTS (SCLK, DIN, CS, CNVST)</b> |            |  |                          |            |           |         |
| Input Voltage Low                            | $V_{IL}$   | (Note 8)                                       |                          |            | 0.8       | V       |
| Input Voltage High                           | $V_{IH}$   |  | 2.0                      |            |           | V       |
| Input Hysteresis                             | $V_{HYST}$ |  |                          | 200        |           | mV      |
| Input Leakage Current                        | $I_{IN}$   | $V_{IN} = 0$ or $V_{DD}$                       |                          | $\pm 0.01$ | $\pm 1.0$ | $\mu A$ |
| Input Capacitance                            | $C_{IN}$   |  |                          | 15         |           | pF      |
| <b>DIGITAL OUTPUTS (DOUT, EOC)</b>           |            |  |                          |            |           |         |
| Output Voltage Low                           | $V_{OL}$   | $I_{SINK} = 2mA$                               |                          |            | 0.4       | V       |
|  |            | $I_{SINK} = 4mA$                               |                          |            | 0.8       |         |
| Output Voltage High                          | $V_{OH}$   | $I_{SOURCE} = 1.5mA$                           | $V_{DD} - 0.5$           |            |           | V       |
| Tri-State Leakage Current                    | $I_L$      | $\overline{CS} = V_{DD}$                       |                          | $\pm 0.05$ | $\pm 1$   | $\mu A$ |
| Tri-State Output Capacitance                 | $C_{OUT}$  | $\overline{CS} = V_{DD}$                       |                          | 15         |           | pF      |
| <b>POWER REQUIREMENTS</b>                    |            |  |                          |            |           |         |
| Supply Voltage                               | $V_{DD}$   |  | 4.75                     |            | 5.25      | V       |
| Supply Current (Note 9)                      | $I_{DD}$   | Internal reference                             | During temp sense        | 2800       | 3200      | $\mu A$ |
|  |            |  | $f_{SAMPLE} = 300ksps$   | 2300       | 2550      |         |
|  |            |  | $f_{SAMPLE} = 0, REF$ on | 1050       | 1350      |         |
|  |            | External reference                             | Shutdown                 | 0.2        | 5         |         |
|  |            |  | During temp sense        | 1800       | 2300      |         |
|  |            |  | $f_{SAMPLE} = 300ksps$   | 1600       | 1700      |         |
| Shutdown                                     | 0.2        | 5  |                          |            |           |         |
| Power-Supply Rejection                       | PSR        | $V_{DD} = 4.75V$ to $5.25V$ ; full-scale input |                          | $\pm 0.2$  | $\pm 1.4$ | mV      |

**Note 1:** Tested at  $V_{DD} = +5V$ , unipolar input mode.

**Note 2:** Offset nulled.

**Note 3:** Time for reference to power up and settle to within 1 LSB.

**Note 4:** Conversion time is defined as the number of clock cycles multiplied by the clock period; clock has 50% duty cycle.

**Note 5:** The operational input voltage range for each individual input of a differentially configured pair is from GND to  $V_{DD}$ . The operational input voltage difference is from  $-V_{REF}/2$  to  $+V_{REF}/2$ .

**Note 6:** See Figure 3 (Input Equivalent Circuit) and the *Sampling Error vs. Source Impedance* curve in the *Typical Operating Characteristics* section.

**Note 7:** Fast automated test, excludes self-heating effects.

**Note 8:** When  $\overline{CNVST}$  is configured as a digital input, do not apply a voltage between  $V_{IL}$  and  $V_{IH}$ .

**Note 9:** Supply current is specified depending on whether an internal or external reference is used for voltage conversions. Temperature measurements always use the internal reference.

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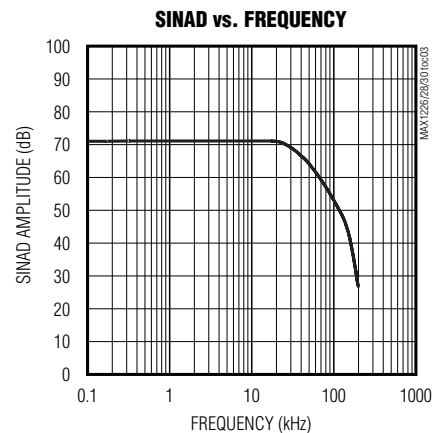
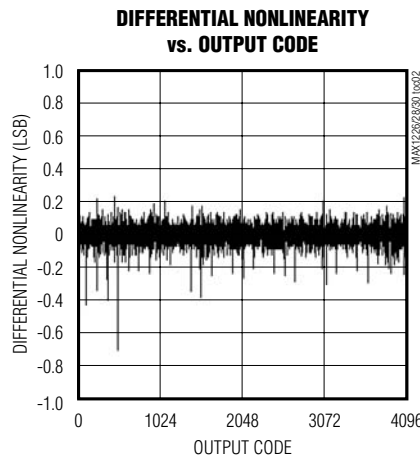
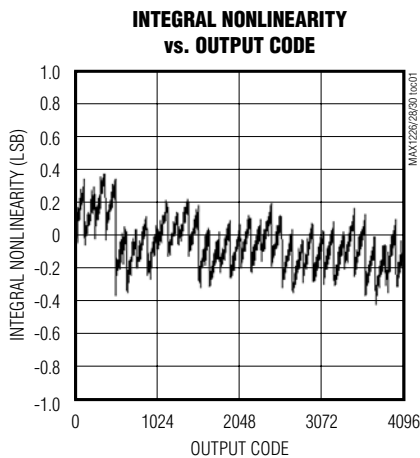
## TIMING CHARACTERISTICS (Figure 1)

| PARAMETER   | SYMBOL            | CONDITIONS                          | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
|---|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| SCLK Clock Period   | t <sub>CP</sub>   | Externally clocked conversion       | 208 |     |     | ns    |
|   |                   | Data I/O                            | 100 |     |     |       |
| SCLK Duty Cycle   | t <sub>CH</sub>   |                                     | 40  |     | 60  | %     |
| SCLK Fall to DOUT Transition  | t <sub>DOT</sub>  | C <sub>LOAD</sub> = 30pF            |     |     | 40  | ns    |
| $\overline{\text{CS}}$ Rise to DOUT Disable   | t <sub>DOD</sub>  | C <sub>LOAD</sub> = 30pF            |     |     | 40  | ns    |
| $\overline{\text{CS}}$ Fall to DOUT Enable  | t <sub>DOE</sub>  | C <sub>LOAD</sub> = 30pF            |     |     | 40  | ns    |
| DIN to SCLK Rise Setup  | t <sub>DS</sub>   |                                     |     |     | 40  | ns    |
| SCLK Rise to DIN Hold   | t <sub>DH</sub>   |                                     | 0   |     |     | ns    |
| $\overline{\text{CS}}$ Fall to SCLK Rise Setup Time   | t <sub>CSS0</sub> |                                     | 40  |     |     | ns    |
| $\overline{\text{CS}}$ Fall-to-SCLK Hold Time   | t <sub>CSH0</sub> |                                     | 0   |     |     | ns    |
| $\overline{\text{CS}}$ Rise-to-SCLK Rise Hold Time  | t <sub>CSH1</sub> |                                     | 0   |     | 4   | μs    |
| $\overline{\text{CS}}$ Rise-to-SCLK Rise Setup Time   | t <sub>CSS1</sub> |                                     | 40  |     |     | ns    |
| $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ Pulse Width   | t <sub>CSW</sub>  | CKSEL = 00, CKSEL = 01 (temp sense) | 40  |     |     | ns    |
|   |                   | CKSEL = 01 (voltage conversion)     | 1.4 |     |     | μs    |
| $\overline{\text{CS}}$ or $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ Rise to $\overline{\text{EOC}}$ Low (Note 10) | t <sub>TS</sub>   | Temp sense                          |     |     | 55  | μs    |
|   |                   | Voltage conversion                  |     |     | 7   |       |
|   |                   | Reference power-up                  |     |     | 65  |       |

**Note 10:** This time is defined as the number of clock cycles needed for conversion multiplied by the clock period. If the internal reference needs to be powered up, the total time is additive. The internal reference is always used for temperature measurements.

## Typical Operating Characteristics

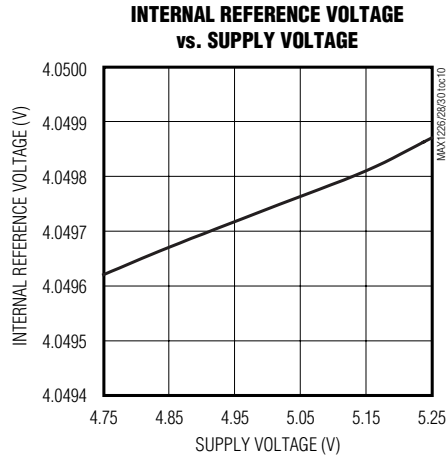
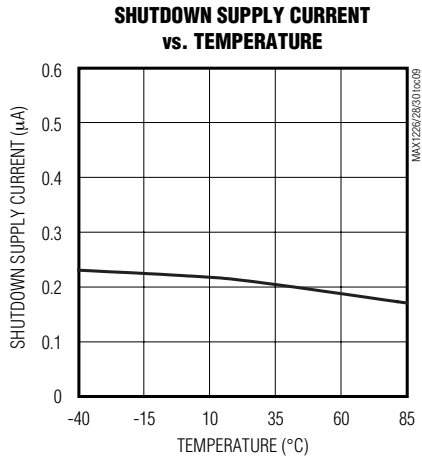
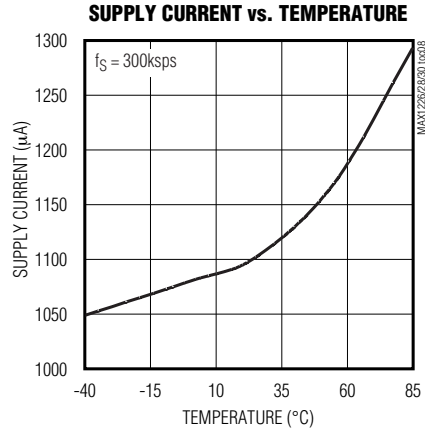
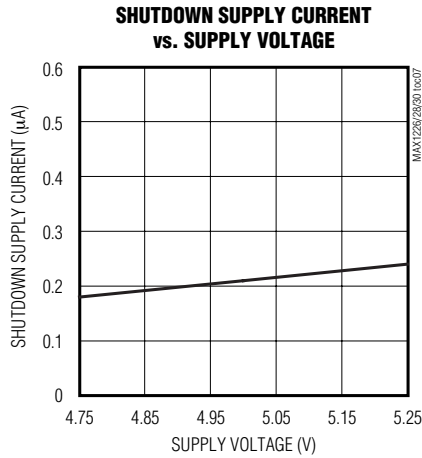
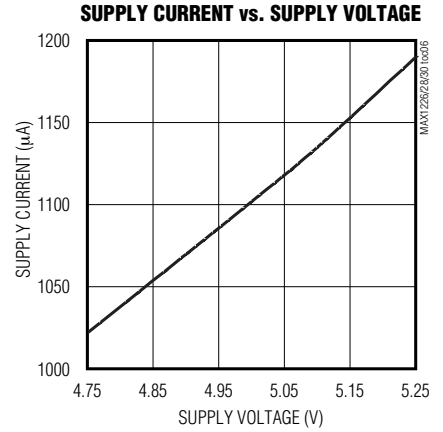
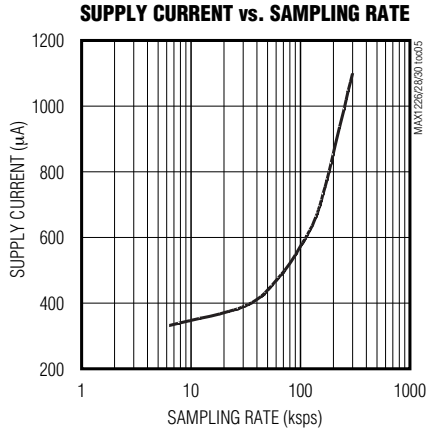
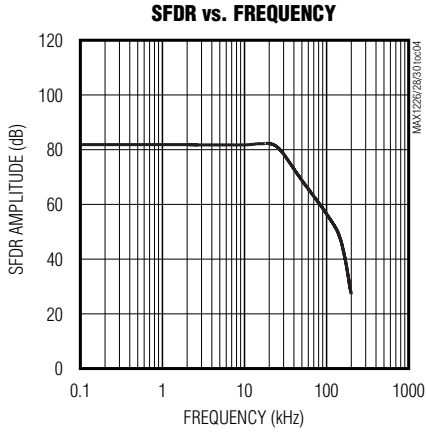
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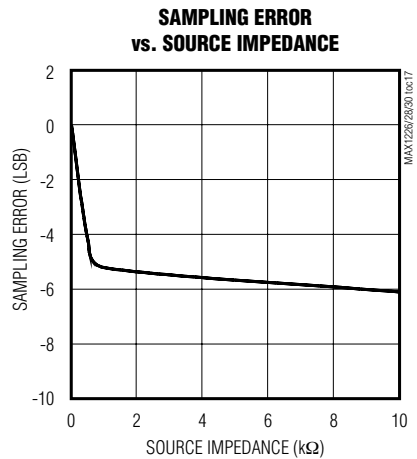
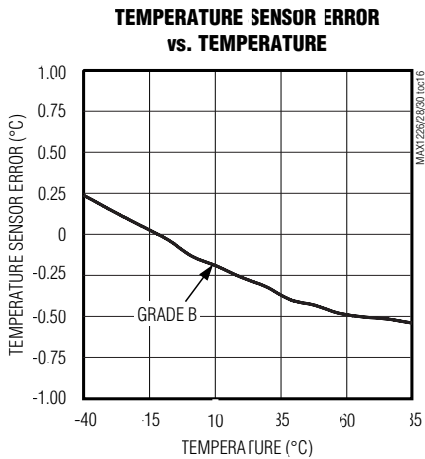
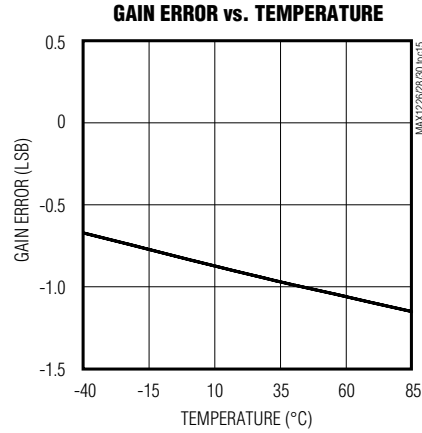
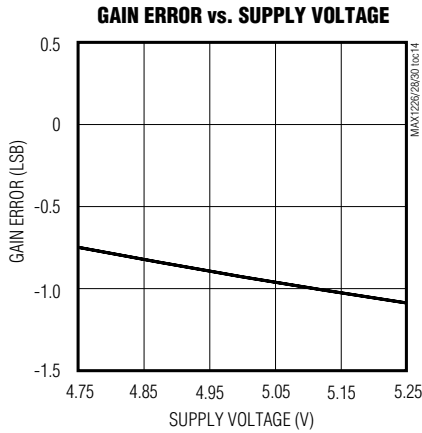
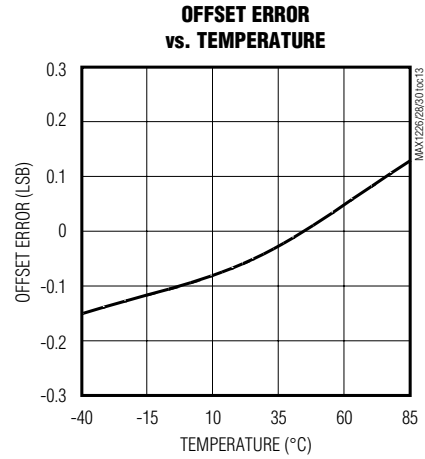
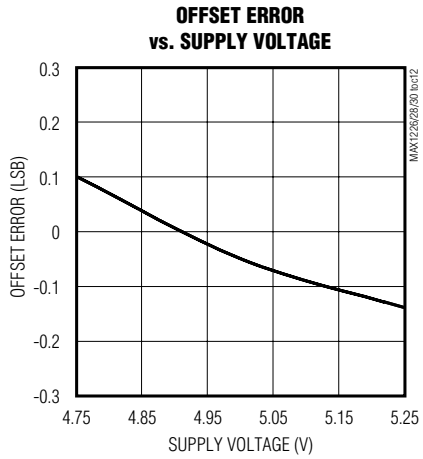
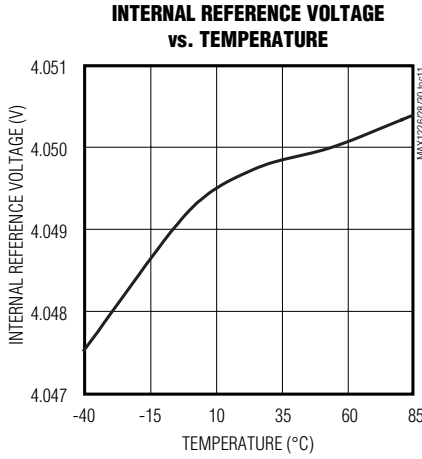


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## Typical Operating Characteristics (continued)

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# 12-Bit 300ksp/s ADCs with FIFO, Temp Sensor, Internal Reference

## Pin Description

| MAX1230<br>TQFN     | MAX1230<br>QSOP | MAX1228 | MAX1226 | NAME                                 | FUNCTION  |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1, 17,<br>19, 25    | —               | —       | —       | N.C.                                 | No Connection. Not internally connected.  |
| 2–12, 26,<br>27, 28 | 1–14            | —       | —       | AIN0–13                              | Analog Inputs   |
| —                   | —               | 1–10    | —       | AIN0–9                               | Analog Inputs   |
| —                   | —               | —       | 1–6     | AIN0–5                               | Analog Inputs   |
| 13                  | 15              | —       | —       | REF-/AIN14                           | Negative Input for External Differential Reference/Analog Input 14. See Table 3 for details on programming the setup register.                                  |
| —                   | —               | 11      | —       | REF-/AIN10                           | Negative Input for External Differential Reference/Analog Input 10. See Table 3 for details on programming the setup register.                                  |
| —                   | —               | —       | 7       | REF-/AIN6                            | Negative Input for External Differential Reference/Analog Input 6. See Table 3 for details on programming the setup register.                                   |
| 14                  | 16              | —       | —       | $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ /<br>AIN15 | Active-Low Conversion Start Input/Analog Input 15. See Table 3 for details on programming the setup register.   |
| —                   | —               | 12      | —       | $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ /<br>AIN11 | Active-Low Conversion Start Input/Analog Input 11. See Table 3 for details on programming the setup register.   |
| —                   | —               | —       | 8       | $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ /<br>AIN7  | Active-Low Conversion Start Input/Analog Input 7. See Table 3 for details on programming the setup register.  |
| 15                  | 17              | 13      | 9       | REF+                                 | Positive Reference Input. Bypass to GND with a 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor.   |
| 16                  | 18              | 14      | 10      | GND                                  | Ground  |
| 18                  | 19              | 15      | 11      | V <sub>DD</sub>                      | Power Input. Bypass to GND with a 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor.  |
| 20                  | 20              | 16      | 12      | SCLK                                 | Serial Clock Input. Clocks data in and out of the serial interface. (Duty cycle must be 40% to 60%.) See Table 3 for details on programming the clock mode.     |
| 21                  | 21              | 17      | 13      | $\overline{\text{CS}}$               | Active-Low Chip-Select Input. When $\overline{\text{CS}}$ is low, the serial interface is enabled. When $\overline{\text{CS}}$ is high, DOUT is high impedance. |
| 22                  | 22              | 18      | 14      | DIN                                  | Serial Data Input. DIN data is latched into the serial interface on the rising edge of SCLK.  |
| 23                  | 23              | 19      | 15      | DOUT                                 | Serial Data Output. Data is clocked out on the falling edge of SCLK. High impedance when $\overline{\text{CS}}$ is connected to V <sub>DD</sub> .               |
| 24                  | 24              | 20      | 16      | $\overline{\text{EOC}}$              | End of Conversion Output. Data is valid after $\overline{\text{EOC}}$ pulls low.  |
| —                   | —               | —       | —       | EP                                   | Exposed Pad. Internally connected to GND. Connect to a large ground plane to maximize thermal performance. Not intended as an electrical connection point.      |



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MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230

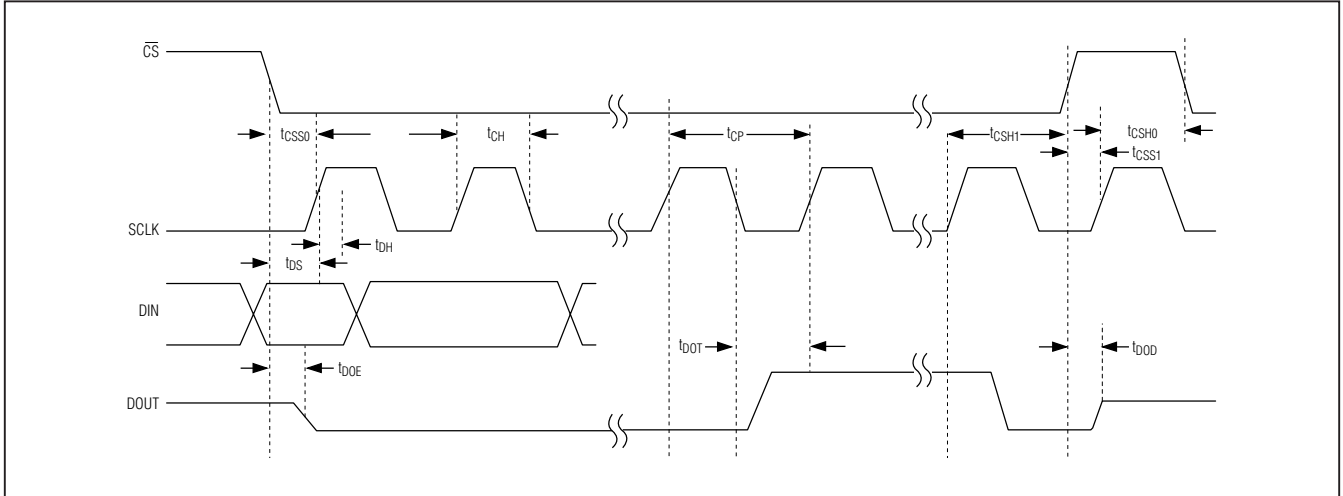


Figure 1. Detailed Serial-Interface Timing Diagram

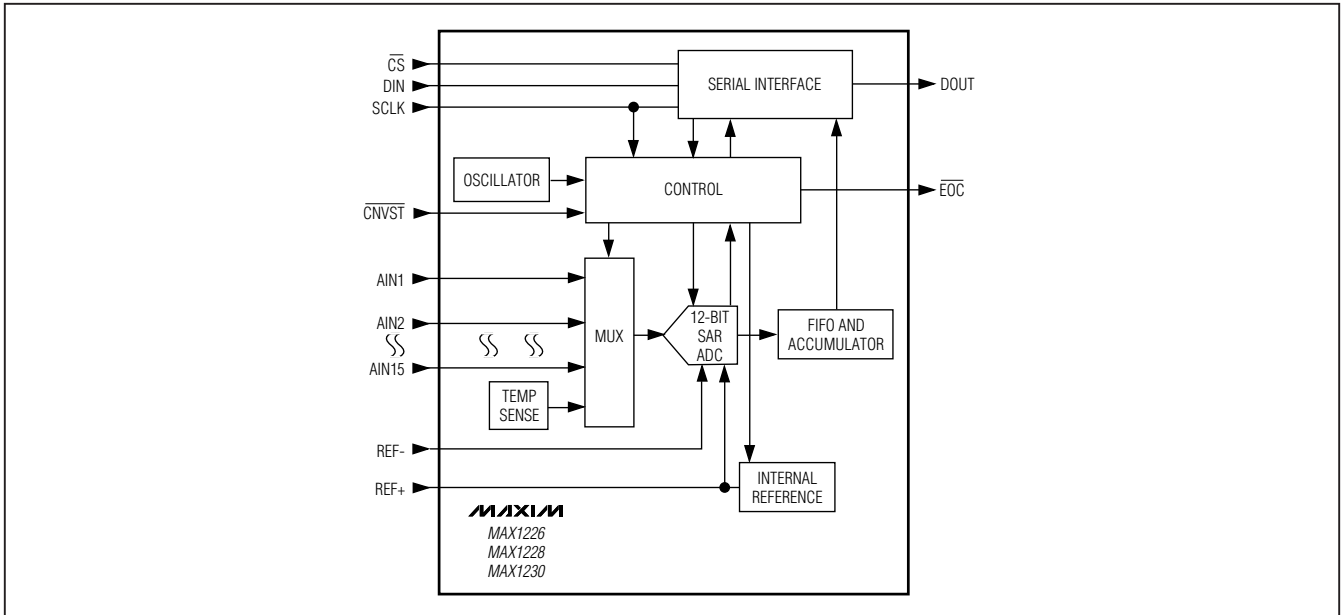


Figure 2. Functional Diagram

## Detailed Description

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 are low-power, serial-output, multichannel ADCs with temperature-sensing capability for temperature-control, process-control, and monitoring applications. These 12-bit ADCs have internal track and hold (T/H) circuitry that supports single-ended and fully differential inputs. Data is converted from an internal temperature sensor or analog voltage sources in a variety of channel and data-acquisition

configurations. Microprocessor ( $\mu\text{P}$ ) control is made easy through a 3-wire SPI/QSPI/MICROWIRE-compatible serial interface.

Figure 2 shows a simplified functional diagram of the MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 internal architecture. The MAX1226 has eight single-ended analog input channels or four differential channels. The MAX1228 has 12 single-ended analog input channels or six differential channels. The MAX1230 has 16 single-ended analog input channels or eight differential channels.

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## Converter Operation

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 ADCs use a fully differential, successive-approximation register (SAR) conversion technique and an on-chip T/H block to convert temperature and voltage signals into a 12-bit digital result. Both single-ended and differential configurations are supported, with a unipolar signal range for single-ended mode and bipolar or unipolar ranges for differential mode.

## Input Bandwidth

The ADC's input-tracking circuitry has a 1MHz small-signal bandwidth, so it is possible to digitize high-speed transient events and measure periodic signals with bandwidths exceeding the ADC's sampling rate by using undersampling techniques. Anti-alias prefiltering of the input signals is necessary to avoid high-frequency signals aliasing into the frequency band of interest.

## Analog Input Protection

Internal ESD protection diodes clamp all pins to  $V_{DD}$  and GND, allowing the inputs to swing from (GND - 0.3V) to ( $V_{DD} + 0.3V$ ) without damage. However, for accurate conversions near full scale, the inputs must not exceed  $V_{DD}$  by more than 50mV or be lower than GND by 50mV. If an off-channel analog input voltage exceeds the supplies, limit the input current to 2mA.

## 3-Wire Serial Interface

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 feature a serial interface compatible with SPI/QSPI and MICROWIRE devices. For SPI/QSPI, ensure the CPU serial interface runs in master mode so it generates the serial clock signal. Select the SCLK frequency of 10MHz or less, and set clock polarity (CPOL) and phase (CPHA) in the  $\mu P$  control registers to the same value. The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 operate with SCLK idling high or low, and thus operate with CPOL = CPHA = 0 or CPOL = CPHA = 1. Set  $\overline{CS}$  low to latch input data at DIN on the rising edge of SCLK. Output data at DOUT is updated on the falling edge of SCLK. Bipolar true differential results and temperature sensor results are available in two's complement format, while all others are in binary.

Serial communication always begins with an 8-bit input data byte (MSB first) loaded from DIN. Use a second byte, immediately following the setup byte, to write to the unipolar mode or bipolar mode registers (see Tables 1, 3, 4, and 5). A high-to-low transition on  $\overline{CS}$  initiates the data input operation. The input data byte and the subsequent data bytes are clocked from DIN into the serial interface on the rising edge of SCLK.

Tables 1–7 detail the register descriptions. Bits 5 and 4, CKSEL1 and CKSEL0, respectively, control the clock modes in the setup register (see Table 3). Choose between four different clock modes for various ways to start a conversion and determine whether the acquisitions are internally or externally timed. Select clock mode 00 to configure  $\overline{CNVST}/AIN_{-}$  to act as a conversion start and use it to request the programmed internally timed conversions without tying up the serial bus. In clock mode 01, use  $\overline{CNVST}$  to request conversions one channel at a time, controlling the sampling speed without tying up the serial bus. Request and start internally timed conversions through the serial interface by writing to the conversion register in the default clock mode, 10. Use clock mode 11 with SCLK up to 4.8MHz for externally timed acquisitions to achieve sampling rates up to 300ksp/s. Clock mode 11 disables scanning and averaging. See Figures 4–7 for timing specifications and how to begin a conversion.

These devices feature an active-low, end-of-conversion output.  $\overline{EOC}$  goes low when the ADC completes the last-requested operation and is waiting for the next input data byte (for clock modes 00 and 10). In clock mode 01,  $\overline{EOC}$  goes low after the ADC completes each requested operation.  $\overline{EOC}$  goes high when  $\overline{CS}$  or  $\overline{CNVST}$  goes low.  $\overline{EOC}$  is always high in clock mode 11.

## Single-Ended/Differential Input

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 use a fully differential ADC for all conversions. The analog inputs can be configured for either differential or single-ended conversions by writing to the setup register (see Table 3). Single-ended conversions are internally referenced to GND (Figure 3).

In differential mode, the T/H samples the difference between two analog inputs, eliminating common-mode DC offsets and noise. IN+ and IN- are selected from the following pairs: AIN0/AIN1, AIN2/AIN3, AIN4/AIN5, AIN6/AIN7, AIN8/AIN9, AIN10/AIN11, AIN12/AIN13, and AIN14/AIN15. AIN0–AIN7 are available on the MAX1226, MAX1228, and MAX1230. AIN8–AIN11 are only available on the MAX1228 and MAX1230. AIN12–AIN15 are only available on the MAX1230. See Tables 2–5 for more details on configuring the inputs. For the inputs that can be configured as  $\overline{CNVST}$  or an analog input, only one can be used at a time. For the inputs that can be configured as REF- or an analog input, the REF- configuration excludes the analog input.

## Unipolar/Bipolar

Address the unipolar and bipolar registers through the setup register (bits 1 and 0). Program a pair of analog channels for differential operation by writing a 1 to the

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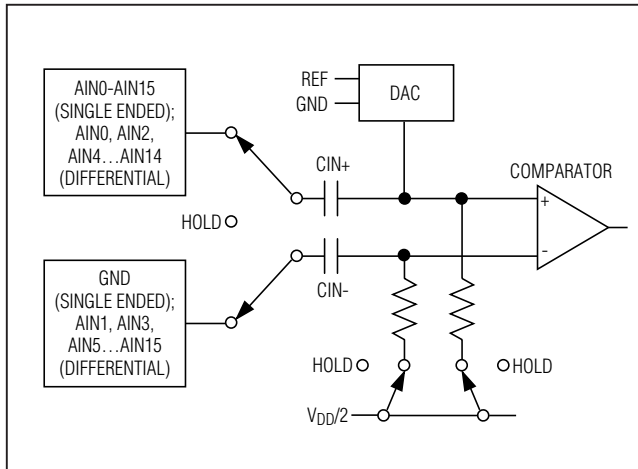


Figure 3. Equivalent Input Circuit

appropriate bit of the bipolar or unipolar register. Unipolar mode sets the differential input range from 0 to  $V_{REF}$ . A negative differential analog input in unipolar mode causes the digital output code to be zero. Selecting bipolar mode sets the differential input range to  $\pm V_{REF} / 2$ . The digital output code is binary in unipolar mode and two's complement in bipolar mode. (See the transfer function graphs, Figures 8 and 9.)

In single-ended mode, the MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 always operate in unipolar mode. The analog inputs are internally referenced to GND with a full-scale input range from 0 to  $V_{REF}$ .

### True Differential Analog Input T/H

The equivalent circuit of Figure 3 shows the MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230s' input architecture. In track mode, a positive input capacitor is connected to AIN0–AIN15 in single-ended mode (and AIN0, AIN2, AIN4...AIN14 in differential mode). A negative input capacitor is connected to GND in single-ended mode (or AIN1, AIN3, AIN5...AIN15 in differential mode). For external track-and-hold timing, use clock mode 01. After the T/H enters hold mode, the difference between the sampled positive and negative input voltages is converted. The time required for the T/H to acquire an input signal is determined by how quickly its input capacitance is charged. If the input signal's source impedance is high, the required acquisition time lengthens. The acquisition time,  $t_{ACQ}$ , is the maximum time needed for a signal to be acquired, plus the power-up time. It is calculated by the following equation:

$$t_{ACQ} = 9 \times (R_S + R_{IN}) \times 24\text{pF} + t_{PWR}$$

where  $R_{IN} = 1.5\text{k}\Omega$ ,  $R_S$  is the source impedance of the input signal, and  $t_{PWR} = 1\mu\text{s}$ , the power-up time of the device. The varying power-up times are detailed in the explanation of the clock mode conversions.

$t_{ACQ}$  is never less than  $1.4\mu\text{s}$ , and any source impedance below  $300\Omega$  does not significantly affect the ADC's AC performance. A high-impedance source can be accommodated either by lengthening  $t_{ACQ}$  or by placing a  $1\mu\text{F}$  capacitor between the positive and negative analog inputs.

### Internal FIFO

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 contain a FIFO buffer that can hold up to 16 ADC results plus one temperature result. This allows the ADC to handle multiple internally clocked conversions and a temperature measurement, without tying up the serial bus.

If the FIFO is filled and further conversions are requested without reading from the FIFO, the oldest ADC results are overwritten by the new ADC results. Each result contains 2 bytes, with the MSB preceded by 4 leading zeros. After each falling edge of  $\overline{CS}$ , the oldest available byte of data is available at DOUT, MSB first. When the FIFO is empty, DOUT is zero.

The first 2 bytes of data read out after a temperature measurement always contain the temperature result preceded by 4 leading zeros, MSB first. If another temperature measurement is performed before the first temperature result is read out, the old measurement is overwritten by the new result. Temperature results are in degrees Celsius (two's complement) at a resolution of 1/8 of degree. See the *Temperature Measurements* section for details on converting the digital code to a temperature.

### Internal Clock

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 operate from an internal oscillator, which is accurate within 10% of the 4.4MHz nominal clock rate. The internal oscillator is active in clock modes 00, 01, and 10. Read out the data at clock speeds up to 10MHz. See Figures 4–7 for details on timing specifications and starting a conversion.

## Applications Information

### Register Descriptions

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 communicate between the internal registers and the external circuitry through the SPI-/QSPI-compatible serial interface. Table 1 details the registers and the bit names. Tables 2–7 show the various functions within the conversion register, setup register, averaging register, reset register, unipolar register, and bipolar register.

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## Conversion Time Calculations

The conversion time for each scan is based on a number of different factors: conversion time per sample, samples per result, results per scan, if a temperature measurement is requested, and if the external reference is in use.

Use the following formula to calculate the total conversion time for an internally timed conversion in clock modes 00 and 10 (see the *Electrical Characteristics* section as applicable):

$$\text{total conversion time} = t_{\text{cnv}} \times n_{\text{avg}} \times n_{\text{result}} + t_{\text{TS}} + t_{\text{RP}}$$

where:

$$t_{\text{cnv}} = t_{\text{acq}}(\text{max}) + t_{\text{conv}}(\text{max})$$

$n_{\text{avg}}$  = samples per result (amount of averaging)

$n_{\text{result}}$  = number of FIFO results requested; determined by number of channels being scanned by NSCAN1, NSCAN0

$t_{\text{TS}}$  = time required for temperature measurement; set to zero if temp measurement is not requested

$t_{\text{RP}}$  = internal reference wake-up; set to zero if internal reference is already powered up or external reference is being used

In clock mode 01, the total conversion time depends on how long  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  is held low or high, including any time required to turn on the internal reference. Conversion time in externally clocked mode (CKSEL1, CKSEL0 = 11) depends on the SCLK period and how long  $\overline{\text{CS}}$  is held high between each set of eight SCLK cycles.

## Conversion Register

Select active analog input channels, scan modes, and a single temperature measurement per scan by writing to the conversion register. Table 2 details channel selection, the four scan modes, and how to request a temperature measurement. Request a scan by writing to the conversion register when in clock mode 10 or 11, or by applying a low pulse to the  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  pin when in clock mode 00 or 01.

A conversion is not performed if it is requested on a channel that has been configured as  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  or REF-. Do not request conversions on channels 8–15 on the MAX1226 and channels 12–15 on the MAX1228. Set CHSEL3:CHSEL0 to the lower channel's binary value. If the last two channels are configured as a differential pair and one of them has been reconfigured as  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  or REF-, the pair is ignored.

**Table 1. Input Data Byte (MSB First)**

| REGISTER NAME         | BIT 7  | BIT 6  | BIT 5  | BIT 4  | BIT 3                     | BIT 2     | BIT 1      | BIT 0      |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Conversion            | 1      | CHSEL3 | CHSEL2 | CHSEL1 | CHSEL0                    | SCAN1     | SCAN0      | TEMP       |
| Setup                 | 0      | 1      | CKSEL1 | CKSEL0 | REFSEL1                   | REFSEL0   | DIFFSEL1   | DIFFSEL0   |
| Averaging             | 0      | 0      | 1      | AVGON  | NAV1                      | NAV0      | NSCAN1     | NSCAN0     |
| Reset                 | 0      | 0      | 0      | 1      | $\overline{\text{RESET}}$ | X         | X          | X          |
| Unipolar mode (setup) | UCH0/1 | UCH2/3 | UCH4/5 | UCH6/7 | UCH8/9*                   | UCH10/11* | UCH12/13** | UCH14/15** |
| Bipolar mode (setup)  | BCH0/1 | BCH1/2 | BCH4/5 | BCH6/7 | BCH8/9*                   | BCH10/11* | BCH12/13** | BCH14/15** |

\*Unipolar/bipolar channels 8–15 are only valid on the MAX1228 and MAX1230.

\*\*Unipolar/bipolar channels 12–15 are only valid on the MAX1230.

X = Don't care.

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**Table 2. Conversion Register\***

| BIT NAME | BIT     | FUNCTION   |
|----------|---------|--|
| —        | 7 (MSB) | Set to 1 to select conversion register.  |
| CHSEL3   | 6       | Analog input channel select.   |
| CHSEL2   | 5       | Analog input channel select.   |
| CHSEL1   | 4       | Analog input channel select.   |
| CHSEL0   | 3       | Analog input channel select.   |
| SCAN1    | 2       | Scan mode select.  |
| SCAN0    | 1       | Scan mode select.  |
| TEMP     | 0 (LSB) | Set to 1 to take a single temperature measurement. The first conversion result of a scan contains temperature information. |

\*See below for bit details.

| CHSEL3 | CHSEL2 | CHSEL1 | CHSEL0 | SELECTED CHANNEL (N) |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------|
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | AIN0                 |
| 0      | 0      | 0      | 1      | AIN1                 |
| 0      | 0      | 1      | 0      | AIN2                 |
| 0      | 0      | 1      | 1      | AIN3                 |
| 0      | 1      | 0      | 0      | AIN4                 |
| 0      | 1      | 0      | 1      | AIN5                 |
| 0      | 1      | 1      | 0      | AIN6                 |
| 0      | 1      | 1      | 1      | AIN7                 |
| 1      | 0      | 0      | 0      | AIN8                 |
| 1      | 0      | 0      | 1      | AIN9                 |
| 1      | 0      | 1      | 0      | AIN10                |
| 1      | 0      | 1      | 1      | AIN11                |
| 1      | 1      | 0      | 0      | AIN12                |
| 1      | 1      | 0      | 1      | AIN13                |
| 1      | 1      | 1      | 0      | AIN14                |
| 1      | 1      | 1      | 1      | AIN15                |

| SCAN1 | SCAN0 | SCAN MODE (CHANNEL N IS SELECTED BY BITS CHSEL3–CHSEL0)                        |
|-------|-------|--|
| 0     | 0     | Scans channels 0 through N.  |
| 0     | 1     | Scans channels N through the highest numbered channel.                         |
| 1     | 0     | Scans channel N repeatedly. The averaging register sets the number of results. |
| 1     | 1     | No scan. Converts channel N once only.   |

Select scan mode 00 or 01 to return one result per single-ended channel and one result per differential pair within the requested range, plus one temperature result if selected. Select scan mode 10 to scan a single input channel numerous times, depending on NSCAN1 and NSCAN0 in the averaging register (Table 6). Select scan mode 11 to return only one result from a single channel.

### Setup Register

Write a byte to the setup register to configure the clock, reference, and power-down modes. Table 3 details the bits in the setup register. Bits 5 and 4 (CKSEL1 and CKSEL0) control the clock mode, acquisition and sampling, and the conversion start. Bits 3 and 2 (REFSEL1 and REFSEL0) control internal or external reference use. Bits 1 and 0 (DIFFSEL1 and DIFFSEL0) address the unipolar mode and bipolar mode registers and configure the analog input channels for differential operation.

### Unipolar/Bipolar Registers

The final 2 bits (LSBs) of the setup register control the unipolar/bipolar mode address registers. Set bits 1 and 0 (DIFFSEL1 and DIFFSEL0) to 10 to write to the unipolar mode register. Set bits 1 and 0 to 11 to write to the bipolar mode register. In both cases, the setup byte must be followed immediately by 1 byte of data written to the unipolar register or bipolar register. Hold  $\overline{CS}$  low and run 16 SCLK cycles before pulling  $\overline{CS}$  high. If the last 2 bits of the setup register are 00 or 01, neither the unipolar mode register nor the bipolar mode register is written. Any subsequent byte is recognized as a new input data byte. See Tables 4 and 5 to program the unipolar and bipolar mode registers.

If a channel is configured as both unipolar and bipolar, the unipolar setting takes precedence. In unipolar mode,  $A_{IN+}$  can exceed  $A_{IN-}$  by up to  $V_{REF}$ . The output format in unipolar mode is binary. In bipolar mode, either input can exceed the other by up to  $V_{REF} / 2$ . The output format in bipolar mode is two's complement.

### Averaging Register

Write to the averaging register to configure the ADC to average up to 32 samples for each requested result, and to independently control the number of results requested for single-channel scans.

Table 2 details the four scan modes available in the conversion register. All four scan modes allow averaging as long as the AVGON bit, bit 4 in the averaging register, is set to 1. Select scan mode 10 to scan the same channel multiple times. Clock mode 11 disables averaging.

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Table 3. Setup Register\*

| BIT NAME | BIT     | FUNCTION   |
|----------|---------|--|
| —        | 7 (MSB) | Set to zero to select setup register.  |
| —        | 6       | Set to 1 to select setup register.   |
| CKSEL1   | 5       | Clock mode and $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ configuration. Resets to 1 at power-up. |
| CKSEL0   | 4       | Clock mode and $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ configuration.                          |
| REFSEL1  | 3       | Reference mode configuration.  |
| REFSEL0  | 2       | Reference mode configuration.  |
| DIFFSEL1 | 1       | Unipolar/bipolar mode register configuration for differential mode.              |
| DIFFSEL0 | 0 (LSB) | Unipolar/bipolar mode register configuration for differential mode.              |

\*See below for bit details.

| CKSEL1 | CKSEL0 | CONVERSION CLOCK      | ACQUISITION/SAMPLING                               | $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ CONFIGURATION |
|--------|--------|-----------------------|--|---|
| 0      | 0      | Internal              | Internally timed                                   | $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$               |
| 0      | 1      | Internal              | Externally timed through $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ | $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$               |
| 1      | 0      | Internal              | Internally timed                                   | AIN15/11/7                              |
| 1      | 1      | External (4.8MHz max) | Externally timed through SCLK                      | AIN15/11/7                              |

| REFSEL1 | REFSEL0 | VOLTAGE REFERENCE     | AutoShutdown                                  | REF- CONFIGURATION |
|---------|---------|-----------------------|---|--------------------|
| 0       | 0       | Internal              | Reference off after scan; need wake-up delay. | AIN14/10/6         |
| 0       | 1       | External single ended | Reference off; no wake-up delay.              | AIN14/10/6         |
| 1       | 0       | Internal              | Reference always on; no wake-up delay.        | AIN14/10/6         |
| 1       | 1       | External differential | Reference off; no wake-up delay.              | REF-               |

| DIFFSEL1 | DIFFSEL0 | FUNCTION   |
|----------|----------|--|
| 0        | 0        | No data follows the setup byte. Unipolar mode and bipolar mode registers remain unchanged. |
| 0        | 1        | No data follows the setup byte. Unipolar mode and bipolar mode registers remain unchanged. |
| 1        | 0        | One byte of data follows the setup byte and is written to the unipolar mode register.      |
| 1        | 1        | One byte of data follows the setup byte and is written to the bipolar mode register.       |



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## Reset Register

Write to the reset register (as shown in Table 7) to clear the FIFO or to reset all registers to their default states. Set the  $\overline{\text{RESET}}$  bit to 1 to reset the FIFO. Set the reset bit to zero to return the MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 to its default power-up state.

## Power-Up Default State

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 power up with all blocks in shutdown, including the reference. All registers power up in state 00000000, except for the setup register, which powers up in clock mode 10 (CKSEL1 = 1).

## Temperature Measurements

The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 perform temperature measurements with an internal diode-connected transistor. The diode bias current changes from 68 $\mu$ A to 4 $\mu$ A to produce a temperature-dependent bias voltage difference. The second conversion result at 4 $\mu$ A is

subtracted from the first at 68 $\mu$ A to calculate a digital value that is proportional to absolute temperature. The output data appearing at DOUT is the above digital code minus an offset to adjust from Kelvin to Celsius.

The reference voltage used for the temperature measurements is derived from the internal reference source to ensure a resolution of 1/8 of a degree.

## Output Data Format

Figures 4–7 illustrate the conversion timing for the MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230. The 12-bit conversion result is output in MSB-first format with 4 leading zeros. DIN data is latched into the serial interface on the rising edge of SCLK. Data on DOUT transitions on the falling edge of SCLK. Conversions in clock modes 00 and 01 are initiated by  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$ . Conversions in clock modes 10 and 11 are initiated by writing an input data byte to the conversion register. Data is binary for unipolar mode and two's complement for bipolar mode.

**Table 4. Unipolar Mode Register (Addressed Through Setup Register)**

| BIT NAME | BIT     | FUNCTION   |
|----------|---------|--|
| UCH0/1   | 7 (MSB) | Set to 1 to configure AIN0 and AIN1 for unipolar differential conversion.                          |
| UCH2/3   | 6       | Set to 1 to configure AIN2 and AIN3 for unipolar differential conversion.                          |
| UCH4/5   | 5       | Set to 1 to configure AIN4 and AIN5 for unipolar differential conversion.                          |
| UCH6/7   | 4       | Set to 1 to configure AIN6 and AIN7 for unipolar differential conversion.                          |
| UCH8/9   | 3       | Set to 1 to configure AIN8 and AIN9 for unipolar differential conversion (MAX1228/MAX1230 only).   |
| UCH10/11 | 2       | Set to 1 to configure AIN10 and AIN11 for unipolar differential conversion (MAX1228/MAX1230 only). |
| UCH12/13 | 1       | Set to 1 to configure AIN12 and AIN13 for unipolar differential conversion (MAX1230 only).         |
| UCH14/15 | 0 (LSB) | Set to 1 to configure AIN14 and AIN15 for unipolar differential conversion (MAX1230 only).         |

**Table 5. Bipolar Mode Register (Addressed Through Setup Register)**

| BIT NAME | BIT     | FUNCTION  |
|----------|---------|---|
| BCH0/1   | 7 (MSB) | Set to 1 to configure AIN0 and AIN1 for bipolar differential conversion.                          |
| BCH2/3   | 6       | Set to 1 to configure AIN2 and AIN3 for bipolar differential conversion.                          |
| BCH4/5   | 5       | Set to 1 to configure AIN4 and AIN5 for bipolar differential conversion.                          |
| BCH6/7   | 4       | Set to 1 to configure AIN6 and AIN7 for bipolar differential conversion.                          |
| BCH8/9   | 3       | Set to 1 to configure AIN8 and AIN9 for bipolar differential conversion (MAX1228/MAX1230 only).   |
| BCH10/11 | 2       | Set to 1 to configure AIN10 and AIN11 for bipolar differential conversion (MAX1228/MAX1230 only). |
| BCH12/13 | 1       | Set to 1 to configure AIN12 and AIN13 for bipolar differential conversion (MAX1230 only).         |
| BCH14/15 | 0 (LSB) | Set to 1 to configure AIN14 and AIN15 for bipolar differential conversion (MAX1230 only).         |

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**Table 6. Averaging Register\***

| BIT NAME | BIT     | FUNCTION  |
|----------|---------|---|
| —        | 7 (MSB) | Set to zero to select averaging register.                         |
| —        | 6       | Set to zero to select averaging register.                         |
| —        | 5       | Set to 1 to select averaging register.                            |
| AVGON    | 4       | Set to 1 to turn averaging on. Set to zero to turn averaging off. |
| NAV1     | 3       | Configures the number of conversions for single-channel scans.    |
| NAV0     | 2       | Configures the number of conversions for single-channel scans.    |
| NSCAN1   | 1       | Single-channel scan count. (Scan mode 10 only.)                   |
| NSCAN0   | 0 (LSB) | Single-channel scan count. (Scan mode 10 only.)                   |

\*See below for bit details.

| AVGON | NAV1 | NAV0 | FUNCTION   |
|-------|------|------|--|
| 0     | x    | x    | Performs 1 conversion for each requested result.                           |
| 1     | 0    | 0    | Performs 4 conversions and returns the average for each requested result.  |
| 1     | 0    | 1    | Performs 8 conversions and returns the average for each requested result.  |
| 1     | 1    | 0    | Performs 16 conversions and returns the average for each requested result. |
| 1     | 1    | 1    | Performs 32 conversions and returns the average for each requested result. |

| NSCAN1 | NSCAN0 | FUNCTION (APPLIES ONLY IF SCAN MODE 10 IS SELECTED) |
|--------|--------|---|
| 0      | 0      | Scans channel N and returns 4 results.              |
| 0      | 1      | Scans channel N and returns 8 results.              |
| 1      | 0      | Scans channel N and returns 12 results.             |
| 1      | 1      | Scans channel N and returns 16 results.             |

**Table 7. Reset Register**

| BIT NAME | BIT     | FUNCTION   |
|----------|---------|--|
| —        | 7 (MSB) | Set to zero to select reset register.                                |
| —        | 6       | Set to zero to select reset register.                                |
| —        | 5       | Set to zero to select reset register.                                |
| —        | 4       | Set to 1 to select reset register.                                   |
| RESET    | 3       | Set to zero to reset all registers. Set to 1 to clear the FIFO only. |
| x        | 2       | Reserved. Don't care.  |
| x        | 1       | Reserved. Don't care.  |
| x        | 0 (LSB) | Reserved. Don't care.  |



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## Internally Timed Acquisitions and Conversions Using CNVST

### Performing Conversions in Clock Mode 00

In clock mode 00, the wake up, acquisition, conversion, and shutdown sequences are initiated through  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  and performed automatically using the internal oscillator. Results are added to the internal FIFO to be read out later. See Figure 4 for clock mode 00 timing.

Initiate a scan by setting  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  low for at least 40ns before pulling it high again. The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 then wake up, scan all requested channels, store the results in the FIFO, and shut down. After the scan is complete,  $\overline{\text{EOC}}$  is pulled low and the results are available in the FIFO. Wait until  $\overline{\text{EOC}}$  goes low before pulling  $\overline{\text{CS}}$  low to communicate with the serial interface.  $\overline{\text{EOC}}$  stays low until  $\overline{\text{CS}}$  or  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  is pulled low again. A temperature measurement result, if requested, precedes all other FIFO results.

Do not initiate a second  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  before  $\overline{\text{EOC}}$  goes low; otherwise the FIFO can become corrupted.

## Externally Timed Acquisitions and Internally Timed Conversions with CNVST

### Performing Conversions in Clock Mode 01

In clock mode 01, conversions are requested one at a time using  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  and performed automatically using the internal oscillator. See Figure 5 for clock mode 01 timing.

Setting  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  low begins an acquisition, wakes up the ADC, and places it in track mode. Hold  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  low for at least 1.4 $\mu\text{s}$  to complete the acquisition. If internal ref-

erence needs to wake up, an additional 65 $\mu\text{s}$  is required for the internal reference to power up. If a temperature measurement is being requested, reference power-up and temperature measurement are internally timed. In this case, hold  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  low for at least 40ns.

Set  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  high to begin a conversion. After the conversion is complete, the ADC shuts down and pulls  $\overline{\text{EOC}}$  low.  $\overline{\text{EOC}}$  stays low until  $\overline{\text{CS}}$  or  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  is pulled low again. Wait until  $\overline{\text{EOC}}$  goes low before pulling  $\overline{\text{CS}}$  or  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  low.

If averaging is turned on, multiple  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  pulses need to be performed before a result is written to the FIFO. Once the proper number of conversions has been performed to generate an averaged FIFO result, as specified by the averaging register, the scan logic automatically switches the analog input multiplexer to the next-requested channel. If a temperature measurement is programmed, it is performed after the first rising edge of  $\overline{\text{CNVST}}$  following the input data byte written to the conversion register. The result is available on DOUT once  $\overline{\text{EOC}}$  has been pulled low.

## Internally Timed Acquisitions and Conversions Using the Serial Interface

### Performing Conversions in Clock Mode 10

In clock mode 10, the wake-up, acquisition, conversion, and shutdown sequences are initiated by writing an input data byte to the conversion register, and are performed automatically using the internal oscillator. This is the default clock mode upon power-up. See Figure 6 for clock mode 10 timing.

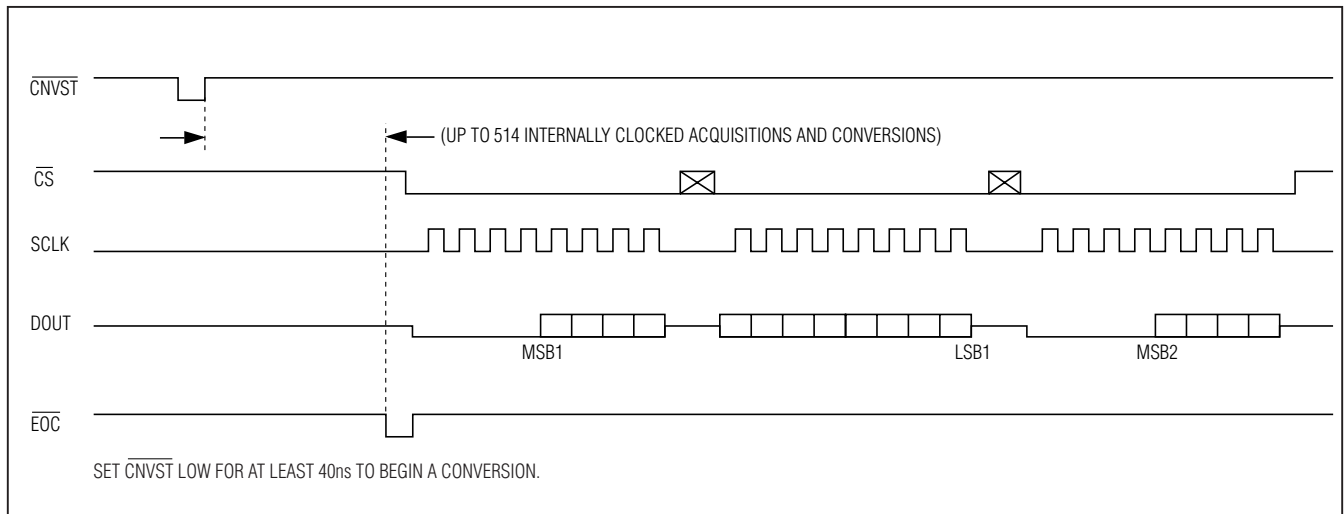


Figure 4. Clock Mode 00

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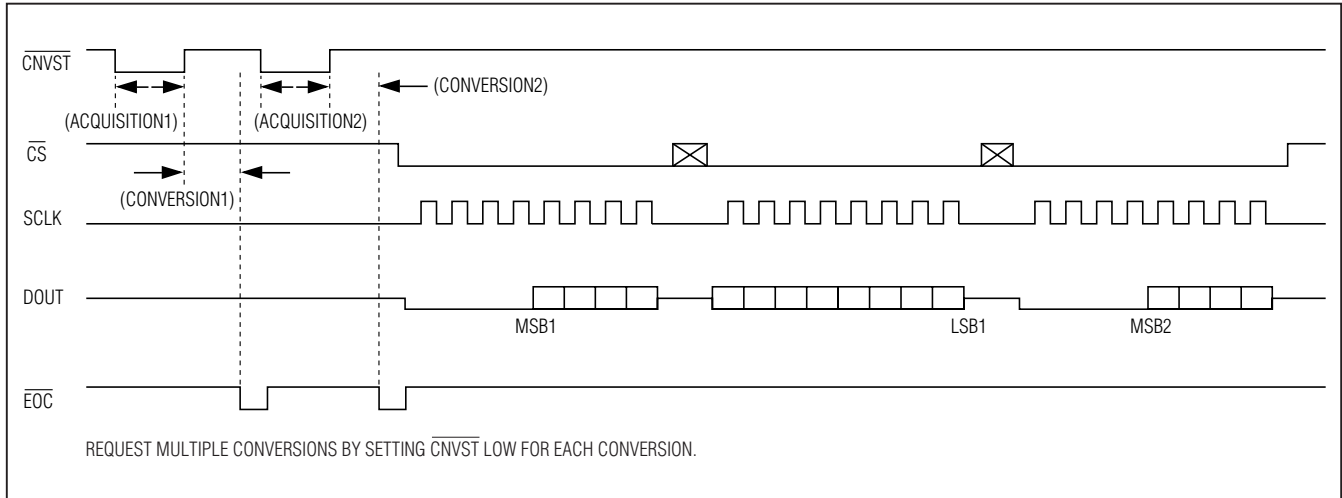


Figure 5. Clock Mode 01

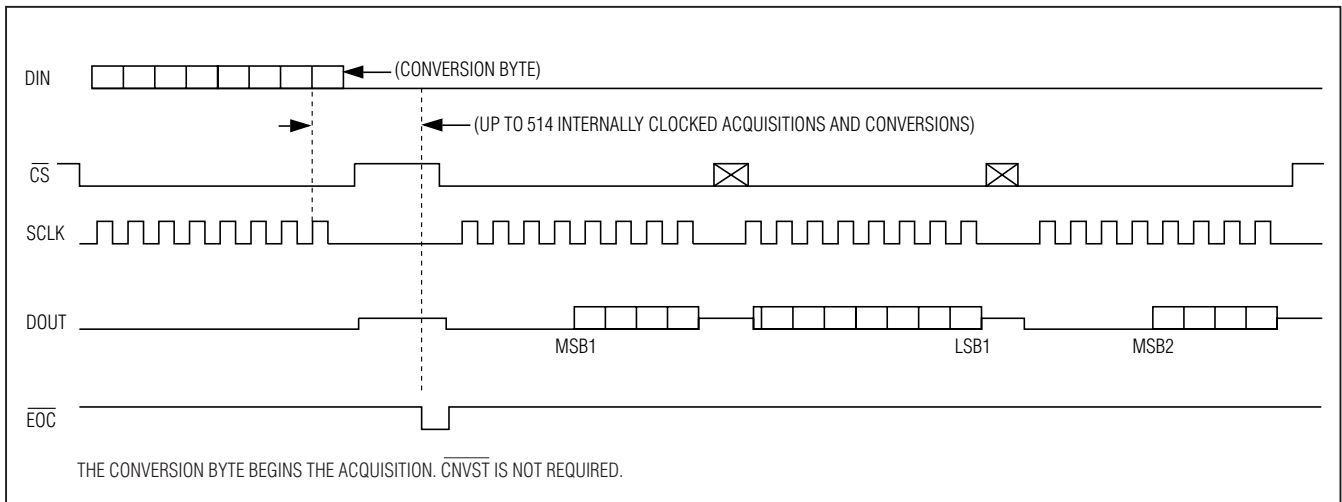


Figure 6. Clock Mode 10

Initiate a scan by writing a byte to the conversion register. The MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 then power up, scan all requested channels, store the results in the FIFO, and shut down. After the scan is complete,  $\overline{EOC}$  is pulled low and the results are available in the FIFO. If a temperature measurement is requested, the temperature result precedes all other FIFO results.  $\overline{EOC}$  stays low until  $\overline{CS}$  is pulled low again.

## Externally Clocked Acquisitions and Conversions Using the Serial Interface

### Performing Conversions in Clock Mode 11

In clock mode 11, acquisitions and conversions are initiated by writing to the conversion register and are performed one at a time using the SCLK as the conversion clock. Scanning and averaging are disabled, and the conversion result is available at DOUT during the conversion. See Figure 7 for clock mode 11 timing.

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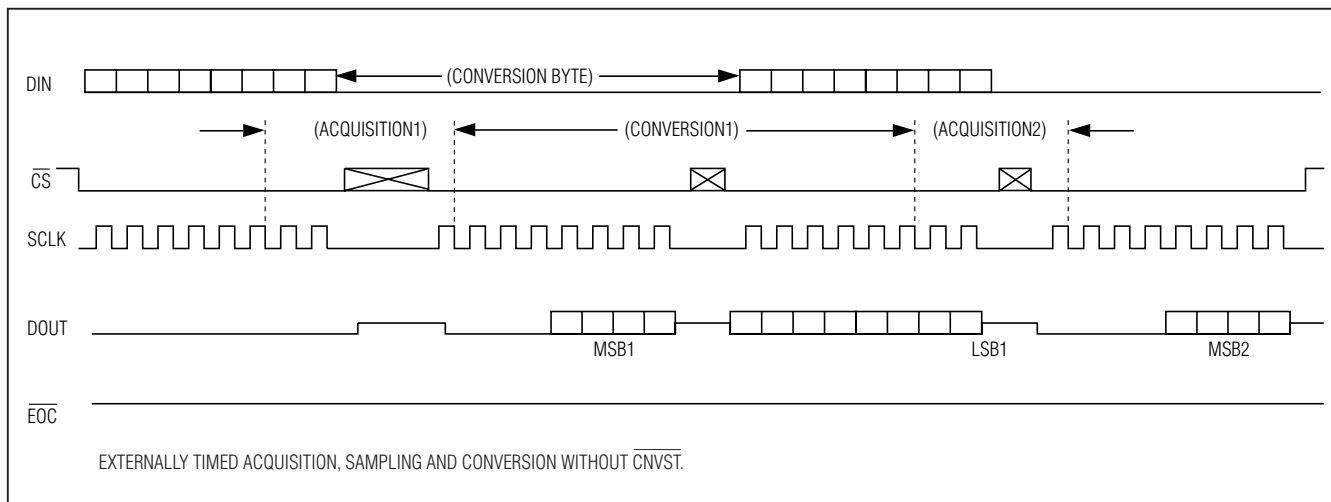


Figure 7. Clock Mode 11

Initiate a conversion by writing a byte to the conversion register followed by 16 SCLK cycles. If  $\overline{CS}$  is pulsed high between the eighth and ninth cycles, the pulse width must be less than 100 $\mu$ s. To continuously convert at 16 cycles per conversion, alternate 1 byte of zeros between each conversion byte.

If reference mode 00 is requested, or if an external reference is selected but a temperature measurement is being requested, wait 65 $\mu$ s with  $\overline{CS}$  high after writing the conversion byte to extend the acquisition and allow the internal reference to power up. To perform a temperature measurement, write 24 bytes (192 cycles) of zeros after the conversion byte. The temperature result appears on DOUT during the last 2 bytes of the 192 cycles.

### Partial Reads and Partial Writes

If the first byte of an entry in the FIFO is partially read ( $\overline{CS}$  is pulled high after fewer than eight SCLK cycles), the second byte of data that is read out contains the next 8 bits (not b7–b0). The remaining bits are lost for that entry. If the first byte of an entry in the FIFO is read out fully, but the second byte is read out partially, the rest of the entry is lost. The remaining data in the FIFO is uncorrupted and can be read out normally after taking  $\overline{CS}$  low again, as long as the 4 leading bits (normally zeros) are ignored. Internal registers that are written partially through the SPI contain new values, starting at the MSB up to the point that the partial write is stopped. The part of the register that is not written contains previously written values. If  $\overline{CS}$  is pulled low before EOC goes low, a conversion cannot be completed and the FIFO is corrupted.

### Transfer Function

Figure 8 shows the unipolar transfer function for single-ended or differential inputs. Figure 9 shows the bipolar transfer function for differential inputs. Code transitions occur halfway between successive-integer LSB values. Output coding is binary, with 1 LSB =  $V_{REF} / 4096V$  for unipolar and bipolar operation, and 1 LSB = 0.125 $^{\circ}C$  for temperature measurements.

### Layout, Grounding, and Bypassing

For best performance, use PC boards. Do not use wire-wrap boards. Board layout should ensure that digital and analog signal lines are separated from each other. Do not run analog and digital (especially clock) signals parallel to one another or run digital lines underneath the MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 package. High-frequency noise in the  $V_{DD}$  power supply can affect performance. Bypass the  $V_{DD}$  supply with a 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor to GND, close to the  $V_{DD}$  pin. Minimize capacitor lead lengths for best supply-noise rejection. If the power supply is very noisy, connect a 10 $\Omega$  resistor in series with the supply to improve power-supply filtering. For the QFN package, connect its exposed pad to ground.

### Definitions

#### Integral Nonlinearity

Integral nonlinearity (INL) is the deviation of the values on an actual transfer function from a straight line. This straight line can be either a best-straight-line fit or a line drawn between the end points of the transfer function, once offset and gain errors have been nullified. INL for the MAX1226/MAX1228/MAX1230 is measured using the end-point method.

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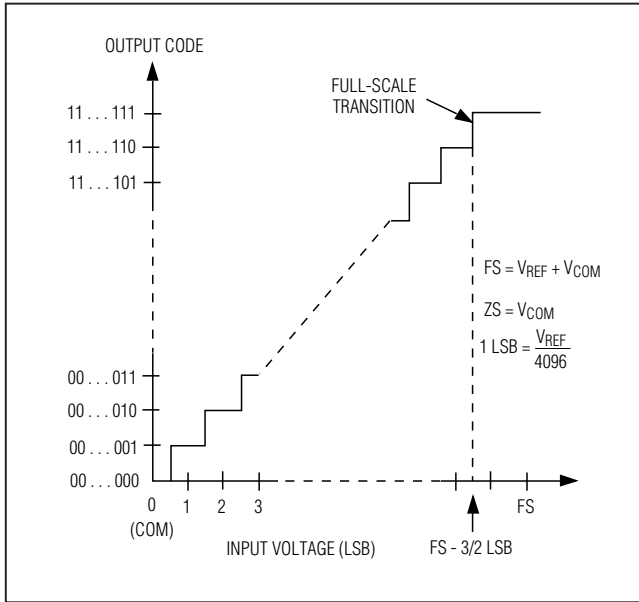


Figure 8. Unipolar Transfer Function, Full Scale (FS) = VREF

### Differential Nonlinearity

Differential nonlinearity (DNL) is the difference between an actual step width and the ideal value of 1 LSB. A DNL error specification of less than 1 LSB guarantees no missing codes and a monotonic transfer function.

### Aperture Jitter

Aperture jitter ( $t_{AJ}$ ) is the sample-to-sample variation in the time between the samples.

### Aperture Delay

Aperture delay ( $t_{AD}$ ) is the time between the rising edge of the sampling clock and the instant when an actual sample is taken.

### Signal-to-Noise Ratio

For a waveform perfectly reconstructed from digital samples, signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) is the ratio of the full-scale analog input (RMS value) to the RMS quantization error (residual error). The ideal, theoretical minimum analog-to-digital noise is caused by quantization error only and results directly from the ADC's resolution (N bits):

$$SNR = (6.02 \times N + 1.76)dB$$

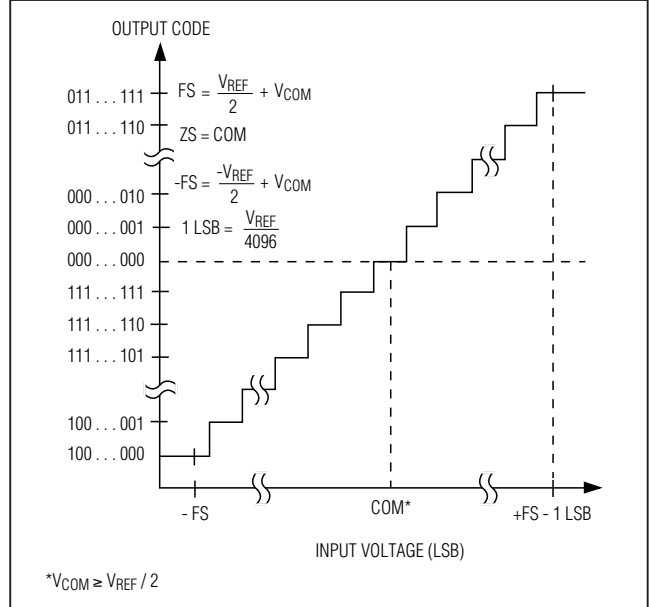


Figure 9. Bipolar Transfer Function, Full Scale ( $\pm FS$ ) =  $\pm VREF / 2$

In reality, there are other noise sources besides quantization noise, including thermal noise, reference noise, clock jitter, etc. Therefore, SNR is calculated by taking the ratio of the RMS signal to the RMS noise, which includes all spectral components minus the fundamental, the first five harmonics, and the DC offset.

### Signal-to-Noise Plus Distortion

Signal-to-noise plus distortion (SINAD) is the ratio of the fundamental input frequency's RMS amplitude to the RMS equivalent of all other ADC output signals:

$$SINAD (dB) = 20 \times \log (\text{Signal}_{RMS} / \text{Noise}_{RMS})$$

### Effective Number of Bits

Effective number of bits (ENOB) indicates the global accuracy of an ADC at a specific input frequency and sampling rate. An ideal ADC error consists of quantization noise only. With an input range equal to the full-scale range of the ADC, calculate the effective number of bits as follows:

$$ENOB = (SINAD - 1.76) / 6.02$$

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## Total Harmonic Distortion

Total harmonic distortion (THD) is the ratio of the RMS sum of the first five harmonics of the input signal to the fundamental itself. This is expressed as:

$$\text{THD} = 20 \times \log \left( \sqrt{V_2^2 + V_3^2 + V_4^2 + V_5^2} / V_1 \right)$$

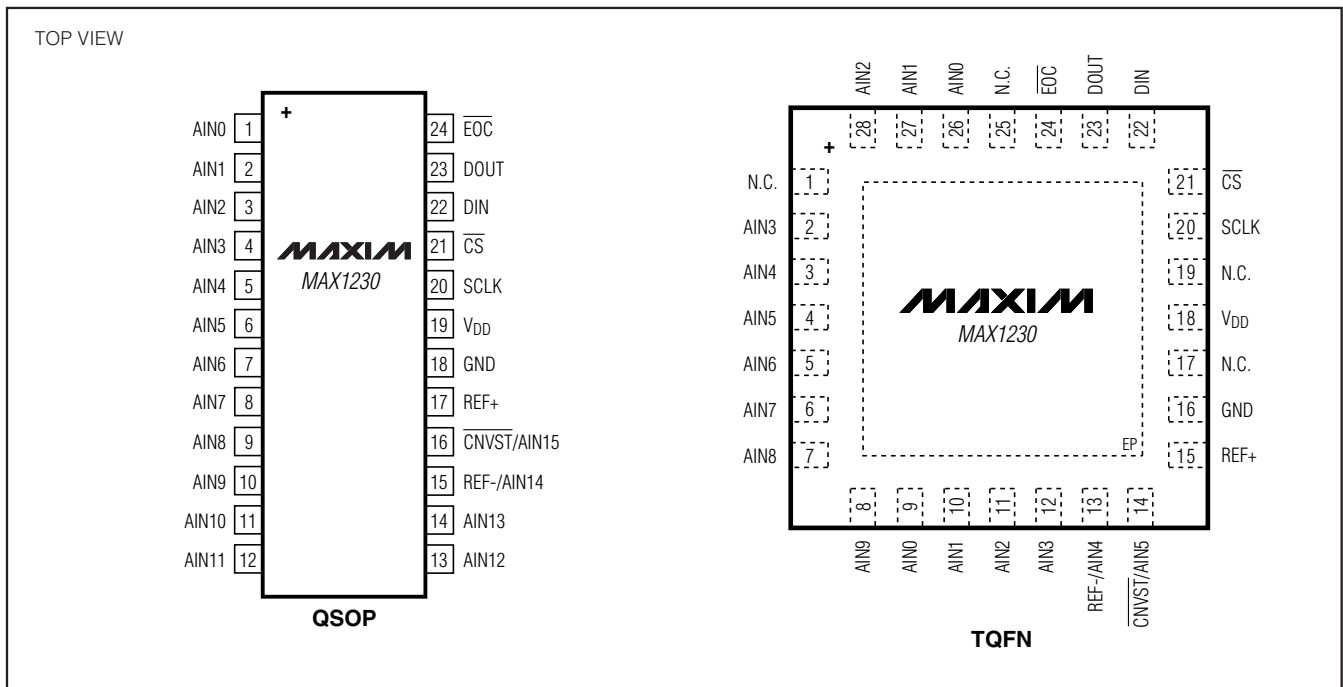
where  $V_1$  is the fundamental amplitude, and  $V_2$ – $V_5$  are the amplitudes of the first five harmonics.

## Spurious-Free Dynamic Range

Spurious-free dynamic range (SFDR) is the ratio of the RMS amplitude of the fundamental (maximum signal component) to the RMS value of the next-largest distortion component.

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## Pin Configurations (continued)



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## Ordering Information (continued)

| PART         | TEMP RANGE     | PIN-PACKAGE |
|--------------|----------------|-------------|
| MAX1230BCEG+ | 0°C to +70°C   | 24 QSOP     |
| MAX1230BEEG+ | -40°C to +85°C | 24 QSOP     |
| MAX1230BCTI+ | 0°C to +70°C   | 28 TQFN     |
| MAX1230BETI+ | -40°C to +85°C | 28 TQFN     |

+Denotes a lead(Pb)-free/RoHS-compliant package.

## Chip Information

PROCESS: BICMOS

## Package Information

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| PACKAGE TYPE | PACKAGE CODE | OUTLINE NO.             | LAND PATTERN NO.        |
|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 16 QSOP      | E16+1        | <a href="#">21-0055</a> | <a href="#">90-0167</a> |
| 20 QSOP      | E20+1        | <a href="#">21-0055</a> | <a href="#">90-0168</a> |
| 24 QSOP      | E24+1        | <a href="#">21-0055</a> | <a href="#">90-0172</a> |
| 28 TQFN      | T2855+6      | <a href="#">21-0140</a> | <a href="#">90-0026</a> |

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## Revision History

| REVISION NUMBER | REVISION DATE | DESCRIPTION   | PAGES CHANGED |
|-----------------|---------------|---|---------------|
| 3               | 2/10          | Removed the A grade products from the <i>Ordering Information</i> table and <i>Electrical Characteristics</i> table                 | 1, 3, 21      |
| 4               | 8/10          | Added lead-free information to <i>Ordering Information</i> and <i>Package Information</i> sections; corrected soldering temperature | 1, 2, 21      |
| 5               | 12/10         | Data sheet specifications changed   | 1-5, 7, 9, 22 |

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