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MAX1573 Evaluation Kit

Evaluates: MAX1573

General Description

The MAX1573 evaluation kit (EV kit) is a fully assembled and tested surface-mount circuit board. The EV kit contains the MAX1573, a white LED driver with a high-efficiency charge pump. The EV kit accepts a 2.7V to 5.5V input voltage and drives up to 4 white LEDs with regulated constant current for uniform intensity. The MAX1573 runs at 1MHz fixed frequency, allowing tiny external components.

Component List

DESIGNATION	QTY	DESCRIPTION
C1–C4	4	1µF ±10%, 6.3V X5R ceramic capacitors (0603) TDK C1608X5R0J105K
D1–D4	4	Surface-mount white LEDs Nichia NSCW215T
JU1, JU2	2	3-pin headers
JU3	1	Not installed
R1	1	7.5kΩ ±1% resistor (0603)
U1	1	MAX1573EBE
None	2	Shunts
None	1	MAX1573EVKIT PC board

Features

♦ **Proprietary Adaptive 1x/1.5x Modes**
♦ **High Efficiency (P$_{LEDs}$ / P$_{BATT}$), Up to 92%**
♦ **2% LED Current Matching**
♦ **28mA/LED Drive Capability**
♦ **Eliminates Ballast Resistor**
♦ **Low 0.1µA Shutdown Current**
♦ **2.7V to 5.5V Input Voltage Range**
♦ **Tiny 2.1 x 2.1 x 0.6mm UCSP™ Package**
♦ **Surface-Mount Components**
♦ **Fully Assembled and Tested**

Ordering Information

PART	TEMP RANGE	IC PACKAGE
MAX1573EVKIT	0°C to +70°C	14 UCSP 4 x 4

Component Suppliers

SUPPLIER	COMPONENT	PHONE	WEBSITE
Nichia	LEDs	717-285-2323	www.nichia.com
Panasonic	Resistors	714-373-7366	www.maco.panasonic.co.jp
Taiyo Yuden	Capacitors	408-573-4150	www.t-yuden.com
TDK	Capacitors	888-835-6646	www.component.tdk.com

Note: *Please indicate that you are using the MAX1573 when contacting these suppliers.*

Quick Start

Recommended Equipment

• Variable-output power supply capable of supplying up to +5.5V at 300mA

Procedure

The MAX1573 EV kit is fully assembled and tested. Perform the following steps to verify board operation. **Do not turn on the power supply until all connections are completed:**

1) Verify that shunts are across pins 1 and 2 of JU1 (EN1) and JU2 (EN2).

2) Preset the power supply to 2.7V and turn off.

3) Connect the positive lead of the power supply to the VIN pad on the EV kit board. Connect the ground lead of the power supply to the GND pad directly below the VIN pad.

4) Turn on the power supply.

5) Verify that all 4 white LEDs are on with uniform intensity.

6) Sweep the power supply to 5.5V. Verify that all 4 LEDs remain on with constant and uniform intensity.

7) Reconfigure JU1 and JU2 to verify the different brightness levels. For instructions on brightness control, see Table 1.

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Table 1. JU1 and JU2 Functions (Dimming Control)

JU1 POSITION	EN1	JU2 POSITION	EN2	MAX1573 OUTPUT
1 and 2	Connected to VIN	1 and 2	Connected to VIN	Full brightness
1 and 2	Connected to VIN	2 and 3	Connected to GND	3/10 brightness
2 and 3	Connected to GND	1 and 2	Connected to VIN	1/10 brightness
2 and 3	Connected to GND	2 and 3	Connected to GND	Shutdown

Detailed Description

Jumper Selection

EN1 and EN2 on the MAX1573 provide control for ON/OFF, 1/10, 3/10, and full current. JU1 and JU2 connect these 2 pins to either VIN or GND (see Table 1). An external signal can be used to drive EN1 or EN2 by removing the corresponding shunt completely from the jumper and connecting the external signal to the appropriate connecting pad.

Setting LED Current

The default LED current is set to 17mA (with shunts across pins 1 and 2 on JU1 and JU2). To set a different LED current, change R1, where $R1 = 215 \times 0.6 / I_{LED(FULL)}$.

Evaluating Off-Board LEDs

The MAX1573 EV kit allows for easy evaluation of off-board LEDs. To evaluate off-board LEDs, first cut the trace that shorts JU3. Next, connect the pad labeled VOUT on the EV kit to the anodes of the LEDs under evaluation. Last, connect the cathode of each LED to one of the EV kit pads labeled LED1–LED4. If evaluating fewer than 4 off-board LEDs, see the *Evaluating Fewer Than 4 LEDs* section.

Evaluating Fewer than 4 LEDs

To evaluate fewer than 4 LEDs, remove the desired LED(s) and connect the corresponding LED pad(s) to the input voltage. Do not leave LED pad(s) floating.
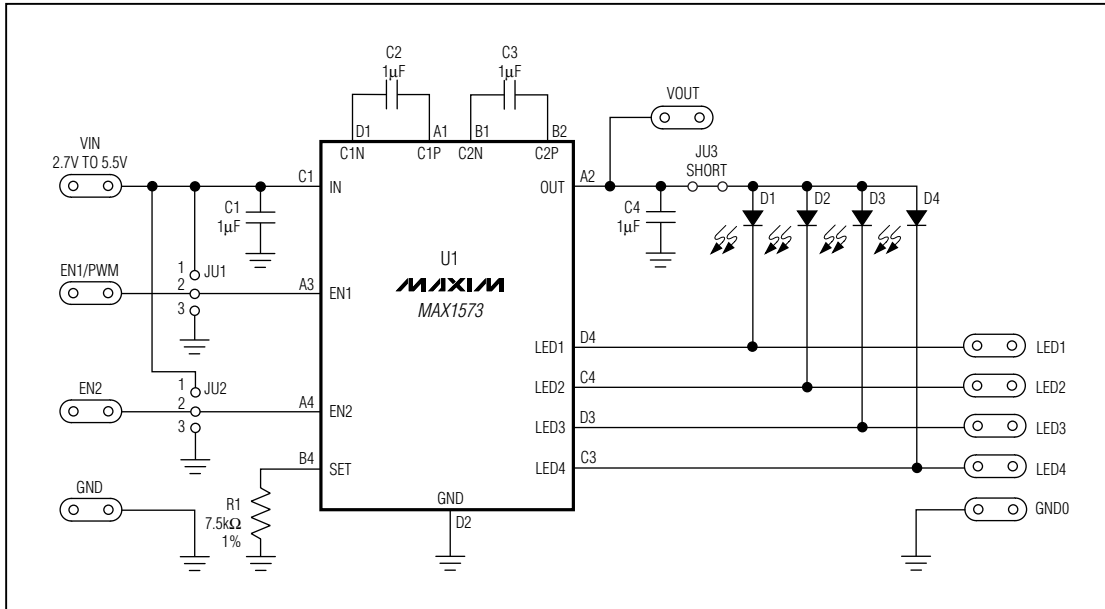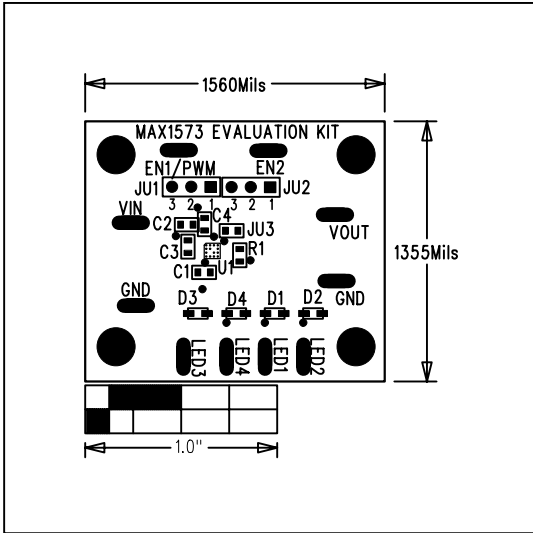

Figure 1. MAX1573 EV Kit Schematic

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Figure 2. MAX1573 EV Kit Component Placement Guide—Top Silkscreen
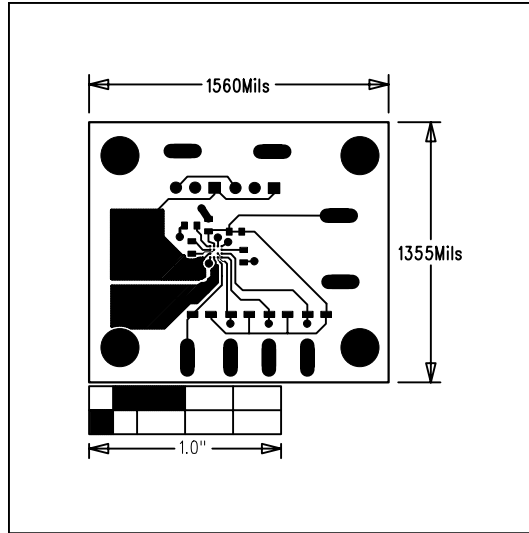
Figure 4. MAX1573 EV Kit PC Board Layout—Component Side
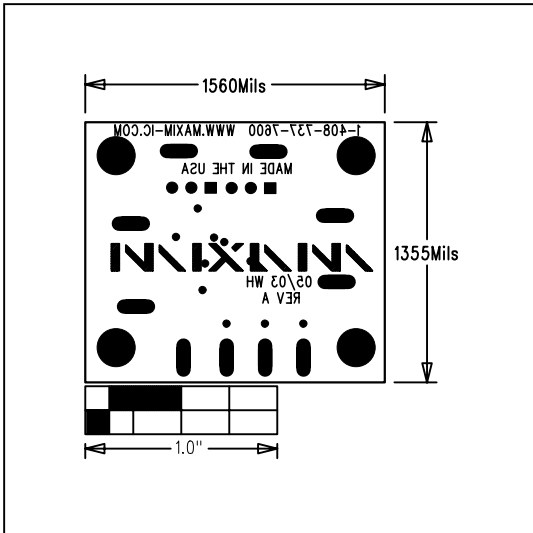
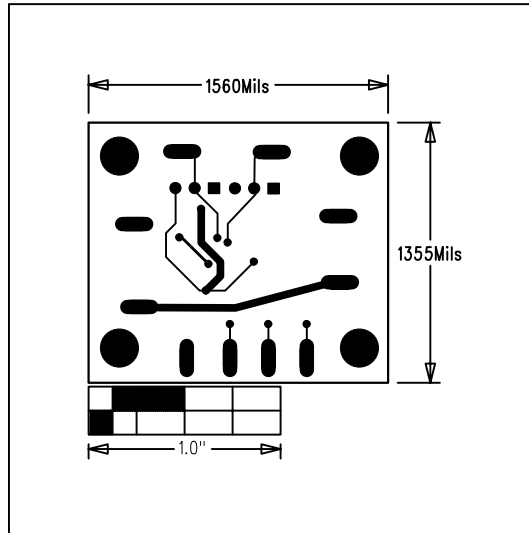Figure 3. MAX1573 EV Kit Component Placement Guide—Bottom Silkscreen

Figure 5. MAX1573 EV Kit PC Board Layout—Solder Side

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