### General Description

The MAX113/MAX117 are microprocessor-compatible, 8-bit, 4-channel and 8-channel analog-to-digital converters (ADCs). They operate from a single +3V supply and use a half-flash technique to achieve a 1.8µs conversion time (400ksps). A power-down pin (PWRDN) reduces current consumption to 1µA typical. The devices return from power-down mode to normal operating mode in less than 900ns, allowing large supplycurrent reductions in burst-mode applications. (In burst mode, the ADC wakes up from a low-power state at specified intervals to sample the analog input signals.) Both converters include a track/hold, enabling the ADC to digitize fast analog signals.

Microprocessor ( $\mu$ P) interfaces are simplified because the ADC can appear as a memory location or I/O port without external interface logic. The data outputs use latched, three-state buffer circuitry for direct connection to an 8-bit parallel  $\mu$ P data bus or system input port. The MAX113/MAX117 input/reference configuration enables ratiometric operation.

The 4-channel MAX113 is available in a 24-pin DIP or SSOP. The 8-channel MAX117 is available in a 28-pin DIP or SSOP. For +5V applications, refer to the MAX114/MAX118 data sheet.

Applications

Battery-Powered Systems System-Health Monitoring Communications Systems Portable Equipment Remote Data Acquisition

### \_Features

- + +3.0V to +3.6V Single-Supply Operation
- + 4 (MAX113) or 8 (MAX117) Analog Input Channels
- Low Power: 1.5mA (operating mode) 1µA (power-down mode)
- ♦ Total Unadjusted Error ≤ 1LSB
- ✤ Fast Conversion Time: 1.8µs per Channel
- No External Clock Required
- Internal Track/Hold
- Ratiometric Reference Inputs
- Internally Connected 8th Channel Monitors Reference Voltage (MAX117)

### Ordering Information

PART	TEMP. RANGE	PIN-PACKAGE
MAX113CNG	0°C to +70°C	24 Narrow Plastic DIP
MAX113CAG	0°C to +70°C	24 SSOP
MAX113C/D	0°C to +70°C	Dice*
MAX113ENG	-40°C to +85°C	24 Narrow Plastic DIP
MAX113EAG	-40°C to +85°C	24 SSOP
MAX113MRG	-55°C to +125°C	24 Narrow CERDIP**

**Ordering Information continued at end of data sheet.** \*Dice are specified at  $T_A = +25^{\circ}$ C, DC parameters only.

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Pin Configuration appears at end of data sheet.

## Functional Diagram



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### ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

(V<sub>DD</sub> = +3V to +3.6V, REF+ = 3V, REF- = GND, Read Mode (MODE = GND), T<sub>A</sub> = T<sub>MIN</sub> to T<sub>MAX</sub>, unless otherwise noted.)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS			
ACCURACY (Note 1)	1								
Resolution	N		8			Bits			
Total Unadjusted Error	TUE				±1	LSB			
Differential Nonlinearity	DNL	No-missing-codes guaranteed			±1	LSB			
Zero-Code Error					±1	LSB			
Full-Scale Error					±1	LSB			
Channel-to-Channel Mismatch					±1/4	LSB			
DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE									
Signal-to-Noise Plus	SINAD	MAX11_C/E, f <sub>SAMPLE</sub> = 400kHz, f <sub>IN</sub> = 30.273kHz	45			dB			
Distortion Ratio	SINAD	MAX11_M, f <sub>SAMPLE</sub> = 340kHz, f <sub>IN</sub> = 30.725kHz	45						
Total Harmonic Distortion	THD	MAX11_C/E, f <sub>SAMPLE</sub> = 400kHz, f <sub>IN</sub> = 30.273kHz			-50	dB			
		MAX11_M, f <sub>SAMPLE</sub> = 340kHz, f <sub>IN</sub> = 30.725kHz			-50				
Spurious-Free Dynamic	SFDR	MAX11_C/E, f <sub>SAMPLE</sub> = 400kHz, f <sub>IN</sub> = 30.273kHz	50			dB			
Range	SFDR	MAX11_M, fsample = 340kHz, fin = 30.725kHz	50			uв			
Input Full-Power Bandwidth		V <sub>IN</sub> _ = 3Vp-p		0.3		MHz			
Input Slew Rate, Tracking			0.28	0.5		V/µs			
ANALOG INPUT									
Input Voltage Range	V <sub>IN</sub> _		V <sub>REF-</sub>		V <sub>REF+</sub>	V			
Input Leakage Current	lin_	GND < VIN_ < VDD			±3	μA			
Input Capacitance	C <sub>IN_</sub>			32		рF			
REFERENCE INPUT									
Reference Resistance	RREF		1	2	4	kΩ			
REF+ Input Voltage Range			V <sub>REF-</sub>		V <sub>DD</sub>	V			
REF- Input Voltage Range			GND		VREF+	V			

### **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)**

(V<sub>DD</sub> = +3V to +3.6V, REF+ = 3V, REF- = GND, Read Mode (MODE = GND), T<sub>A</sub> = T<sub>MIN</sub> to T<sub>MAX</sub>, unless otherwise noted.)

PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS	
LOGIC INPUTS							1	
	Maria	CS, WR, RD, PWRDN, A0, A	2			V		
Input High Voltage	Vinh	MODE	MODE				V	
Input Low Voltage	Man	CS, WR, RD, PWRDN, A0, A	I, A2			0.66	V	
Input Low Voltage	VINL	MODE	MODE			0.8	V	
		CS, RD, PWRDN, A0, A1, A2				±1		
Input High Current	linh	WR				±3	μA	
		MODE			15	100		
Input Low Current	linl	CS, WR, RD, PWRDN, MODE	E, A0, A1, A2			±1	μA	
Input Capacitance (Note 2)	CIN	CS, WR, RD, PWRDN, MODE	E, A0, A1, A2		5	8	pF	
LOGIC OUTPUTS		•						
	Vol	I <sub>SINK</sub> = 20µA, INT, D0–D7			0.1	V		
Output Low Voltage		I <sub>SINK</sub> = 400µA, INT, D0–D7			0.4			
		RDY, I <sub>SINK</sub> = 1mA			0.4			
	Voh	ISOURCE = 20µA, INT, DO-D7	V <sub>DD</sub> - 0.1			V		
Output High Voltage	VOH	ISOURCE = 400µA, INT, D0–D7		V <sub>DD</sub> - 0.4				
Three-State Current	ILKG	D0–D7, RDY, digital outputs	= OV to V <sub>DD</sub>			±3	μA	
Three-State Capacitance (Note 2)	Соит	D0–D7, RDY			5	8	pF	
POWER REQUIREMENTS								
Supply Voltage	V <sub>DD</sub>			3.0		3.6	V	
V <sub>DD</sub> Supply Current		$V_{DD} = 3.6V, \overline{CS} = \overline{RD} = 0V,$	MAX11_C		2.5	5		
		$\overline{PWRDN} = V_{DD}$	MAX11_E/M		2.5	6		
	IDD	$V_{DD} = 3.0V, \overline{CS} = \overline{RD} = 0V,$	MAX11_C		1.5	3	mA	
		PWRDN = VDD MAX11_E/			1.5	3.5	1	
Power-Down V <sub>DD</sub> Current		$\overline{\text{CS}} = \overline{\text{RD}} = \text{V}_{\text{DD}}, \overline{\text{PWRDN}} = 0$		1	10	μA		
Power-Supply Rejection	PSR	VDD = 3.0V to 3.6V, VREF = 3		±1/16	±1/4	LSB		

**Note 1:** Accuracy measurements performed at  $V_{DD} = +3.0V$ . Operation over supply range is guaranteed by power-supply rejection test. **Note 2:** Guaranteed by design.

**Note 3:** Power-down current increases if logic inputs are not driven to GND or V<sub>DD</sub>.

## TIMING CHARACTERISTICS

 $(V_{DD} = +3V, T_A = +25^{\circ}C, unless otherwise noted.)$  (Note 4)

			TA = +25°C			$T_A = T_{MIN}$ to $T_{MAX}$				
PARAMETER	SYMBOL	CONDITIONS	ALL GRADES			MAX	117C/E	MAX117M		UNITS
			MIN	TYP	MAX	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX	1
Conversion Time (WR-RD Mode)	t <sub>CWR</sub>	t <sub>RD</sub> < t <sub>INTL</sub> , C <sub>L</sub> = 100pF (Note 5)			1.8		2.06		2.4	μs
Conversion Time (RD Mode)	tCRD				2.0		2.4		2.6	μs
Power-Up Time	tup				0.9		1.2		1.4	μs
CS to RD, WR Setup Time	tcss		0			0		0		ns
CS to RD, WR Hold Time	tсsн		0			0		0		ns
CS to RDY Delay	t <sub>RDY</sub>	$C_L = 50pF,$ $R_L = 5.1k\Omega$ to $V_{DD}$			100		120		140	ns
Data Access Time (RD Mode)	tacco	C <sub>L</sub> = 100pF (Note 5)			t <sub>CRD</sub> + 100		t <sub>CRD</sub> + 130		t <sub>CRD</sub> + 150	ns
RD to INT Delay (RD Mode)	tinth	C <sub>L</sub> = 50pF		100	160		170		180	ns
Data Hold Time	t <sub>DH</sub>	(Note 6)			100		130		150	ns
Minimum Acquisition Time	tacq	(Note 7)	450			600		700		ns
WR Pulse Width	twr		0.6		10	0.66	10	0.8	10	μs
Dela <u>y B</u> etween WR and RD Pulses	t <sub>RD</sub>		0.8			0.9		1.0		μs
RD Pulse Width (WR-RD Mode)	t <sub>READ1</sub>	$t_{RD} < t_{INTL}$ , determined by $t_{ACC1}$	400			500		600		ns
Data Access Time (WR-RD Mode)	tACC1	t <sub>RD</sub> < t <sub>INTL</sub> , C <sub>L</sub> = 100pF (Note 5)			400		500		600	ns
RD to INT Delay	t <sub>RI</sub>				300		340		400	ns
WR to INT Delay	tintl	CL = 50pF		0.7	1.45		1.6		1.8	μs
RD Pulse Width (WR-RD Mode)	t <sub>READ2</sub>	$t_{RD} > t_{INTL}$ , determined by $t_{ACC2}$	180			220		250		ns
Data Access Time (WR-RD Mode)	tACC2	t <sub>RD</sub> > t <sub>INTL</sub> , C <sub>L</sub> = 100pF (Note 5)			180		220		250	ns
WR to INT Delay	tihwr	Pipelined mode, CL = 50pF			180		200		240	ns
Data Access Time After INT	tID	Pipelined mode, $C_L = 100 pF$			100		130		150	ns
Multiplexer Address Hold Time	t <sub>AH</sub>		50			60		70		ns

Note 4: Input control signals are specified with  $t_r = t_f = 5ns$ , 10% to 90% of 3V, and timed from a voltage level of 1.3V. Timing delays get shorter at higher supply voltages. See the Conversion Time vs. Supply Voltage graph in the Typical Operating Characteristics to extrapolate timing delays at other power-supply voltages.

Note 5: See Figure 1 for load circuit. Parameter defined as the time required for the output to cross 0.66V or 2.0V.

**Note 6:** See Figure 2 for load circuit. Parameter defined as the time required for the data lines to change 0.5V.

Note 7: Also defined as the Minimum Address-Valid to Convert-Start Time.

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### \_\_\_Typical Operating Characteristics

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Pin Description

PIN			FUNCTION				
MAX113	MAX117	NAME	FUNCTION				
	1	IN6	Analog Input Channel 6				
	2	IN5	Analog Input Channel 5				
1	3	IN4	Analog Input Channel 4				
2	4	IN3	Analog Input Channel 3				
3	5	IN2	Analog Input Channel 2				
4	6	IN1	Analog Input Channel 1				
5	7	MODE	Mode Selection Input. Internally pulled low with a 15µA current source. MODE = 0 activates read mode; MODE = 1 activates write-read mode (see <i>Digital Interface</i> section).				
6	8	D0	Three-State Data Output (LSB)				
7, 8, 9	9, 10, 11	D1, D2, D3	Three-State Data Outputs				
10	12	RD	Read Input. RD must be low to access data (see Digital Interface section).				
11	13	ĪNT	Interrupt Output. INT goes low to indicate end of conversion (see <i>Digital Interface</i> section).				
12	14	GND	Ground				
13	15	REF-	Lower limit of reference span. REF- sets the zero-code voltage. Range is GND $\leq$ VREF- $<$ VREF+.				
14	16	REF+	Upper limit of reference span. REF+ sets the full-scale input voltage. Range is $V_{REF-} < V_{REF+} \le V_{DD}$ . Internally hardwired to IN8 (Table 1).				
15	17	WR/RDY	Write-Control Input/Ready-Status Output (see Digital Interface section)				
16	18	CS	Chip-Select Input. $\overline{CS}$ must be low for the device to recognize $\overline{WR}$ or $\overline{RD}$ inputs.				
17, 18, 19	19, 20, 21	D4, D5, D6	Three-State Data Outputs				
20	22	D7	Three-State Data Output (MSB)				
_	23	A2	Multiplexer Channel Address Input (MSB)				
21	24	A1	Multiplexer Channel Address Input				
22	25	A0	Multiplexer Channel Address Input (LSB)				
23	26	PWRDN	Power-Down Input. PWRDN reduces supply current when low.				
24	27	V <sub>DD</sub>	Positive Supply, +3.0V to +3.6V				
	28	IN7	Analog Input Channel 7				



Figure 1. Load Circuits for Data-Access Time Test

### **Detailed Description**

#### **Converter Operation**

The MAX113/MAX117 use a half-flash conversion technique (see *Functional Diagram*) in which two 4-bit flash ADC sections achieve an 8-bit result. Using 15 comparators, the flash ADC compares the unknown input voltage to the reference ladder and provides the upper four data bits. An internal digital-to-analog converter (DAC) uses the four most significant bits (MSBs) to generate both the analog result from the first flash conversion and a residue voltage that is the difference between the unknown input and the DAC voltage. The residue is then compared again with the flash comparators to obtain the lower four data bits (LSBs).

An internal analog multiplexer enables the devices to read four (MAX113) or eight (MAX117) different analog voltages under microprocessor ( $\mu$ P) control. One of the MAX117's analog channels, IN8, is internally hardwired and always reads V<sub>REF+</sub> when selected.

#### Power-Down Mode

In burst-mode or low-sample-rate applications, the MAX113/MAX117 can be shut down between conversions, reducing supply current to microamp levels (see *Typical Operating Characteristics*). A logic low on the PWRDN pin shuts the devices down, reducing supply current typically to 1 $\mu$ A when powered from a single +3V supply. A logic high on PWRDN wakes up the MAX113/MAX117, and the selected analog input enters the track mode. The signal is fully acquired after 900ns (this includes both the power-up delay and the track/hold acquisition time), and a new conversion can





Figure 2. Load Circuits for Data-Hold Time Test

be started. If the power-down feature is not required, connect PWRDN to V<sub>DD</sub>. For minimum current consumption, keep digital inputs at the supply rails in power-down mode. Refer to the *Reference* section for information on reducing the reference current during power-down.

#### \_Digital Interface

The MAX113/MAX117 have two basic interface modes, which are set by the MODE pin. When MODE is low, the converters are in read mode; when MODE is high, the converters are set up for write-read mode. The A0, A1, and A2 inputs control channel selection, as shown in Table 1. The address must be valid for a minimum time, t<sub>ACQ</sub>, before the next conversion starts.

# Table 1. Truth Table for Input ChannelSelection

MAX	(113	N	MAX117		SELECTED CHANNEL
A1	A0	A2	A1	A0	SELECTED CHANNEL
0	0	0	0	0	IN1
0	1	0	0	1	IN2
1	0	0	1	0	IN3
1	1	0	1	1	IN4
_		1	0	0	IN5
_	—	1	0	1	IN6
		1	1	0	IN7
	_	1	1	1	IN8 (reads V <sub>REF+</sub> if selected)

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#### Read Mode (MODE = 0)

In read mode, conversions and data access are controlled by the  $\overline{RD}$  input (Figure 3). The comparator inputs track the analog input voltage for the duration of tACQ. A conversion is initiated by driving  $\overline{CS}$  and  $\overline{RD}$  low. With  $\mu Ps$  that can be forced into a wait state, hold  $\overline{RD}$  low until output data appears. The  $\mu P$  starts the conversion, waits, and then reads data with a single read instruction.

In read mode,  $\overline{\text{WR}}$ /RDY is configured as a status output (RDY), so it can drive the ready or wait input of a  $\mu$ P. RDY is an open-collector output (no internal pull-up) that goes low after the falling edge of  $\overline{\text{CS}}$  and goes high at the end of the conversion. If not used, the  $\overline{\text{WR}}$ /RDY pin can be left unconnected. The  $\overline{\text{INT}}$  output goes low at the end of the conversion and returns high on the rising edge of  $\overline{\text{CS}}$  or  $\overline{\text{RD}}$ .

#### Write-Read Mode (MODE = 1)

Figures 4 and 5 show the operating sequence for writeread mode. The comparator inputs track the analog input voltage for the duration of  $t_{ACO}$ . The conversion is initiated by a falling edge of WR. When WR returns high, the result of the four-MSBs flash is latched into the output <u>buffers</u> and the conversion of the four-LSBs flash starts. INT goes low, indicating conversion end, and the lower four data bits are latched into the output buffers. The data is then accessible after  $\overline{\text{RD}}$  goes low (see *Timing Characteristics*).

A minimum acquisition time ( $t_{ACQ}$ ) is required from  $\overline{INT}$  going low to the start of another conversion ( $\overline{WR}$  going low).

Options for reading data from the converter include using internal delay, reading before delay, and pipelined operation (discussed in the following sections).

#### **Using Internal Delay**

The  $\mu$ P waits for the  $\overline{INT}$  output to go low before reading the data (Figure 4).  $\overline{INT}$  goes low after the rising edge of WR, indicating that the conversion is complete and the result is available in the output latch. With CS low, data outputs D0–D7 can be accessed by pulling RD low. INT is then reset by the rising edge of CS or RD.

#### Fastest Conversion: Reading Before Delay

An external method of controlling the conversion time is shown in Figure 5. The internally generated delay (t<sub>INTL</sub>) varies slightly with temperature and supply voltage, and can be overridden with RD to achieve the fastest conversion time. RD is brought low after the rising edge of WR, but before INT goes low. This completes the conversion and enables the output buffers



Figure 3. Read Mode Timing (Mode = 0)



Figure 4. Write-Read Mode Timing  $(t_{RD} > t_{INTL})$  (Mode = 1)



Figure 5. Write-Read Mode Timing (t<sub>RD</sub> < t<sub>INTL</sub>) (Mode = 1)





Figure 6. Pipelined Mode Timing ( $\overline{WR} = \overline{RD}$ ) (Mode = 1)

that contain the conversion result (D0–D7). INT also goes low after the falling edge of  $\overline{RD}$  and is reset on the rising edge of  $\overline{RD}$  or  $\overline{CS}$ . The total conversion time is therefore: twR + tRD + tACC1 = 1800ns.

#### **Pipelined Operation**

Besides the two standard write-read-mode options, "pipelined" operation can be achieved by connecting WR and RD together (Figure 6). With CS low, driving WR and RD low initiates a conversion and concurrently reads the result of the previous conversion.

### \_Analog Considerations

#### Reference

Figures 7a, 7b, and 7c show typical reference connections. The voltages at REF+ and REF- set the ADC's analog input range (Figure 10). The voltage at REFdefines the input that produces an output code of all zeros, and the voltage at REF+ defines the input that produces an output code of all ones.

The internal resistance from REF+ to REF- can be as low as  $1k\Omega$ , and current will flow through it even when the MAX113/MAX117 are shut down. Figure 7d shows how an N-channel MOSFET can be connected to REF-to break this current path during power-down. The FET should have an on-resistance of less than  $2\Omega$  with a 3V gate drive. When REF- is switched, as in Figure 7d, a new conversion can be initiated after waiting a time equal to the power-up delay (tup) plus the N-channel FET's turn-on time.

Although REF+ is frequently connected to V<sub>DD</sub>, the circuit of Figure 7d uses a low-current, low-dropout, 2.5V voltage reference: the MAX872. Since the MAX872 cannot continuously furnish enough current for the ref-



Figure 7a. Power Supply as Reference



Figure 7b. External Reference, 2.5V Full Scale



Figure 7c. Input Not Referenced to GND

erence resistance, this circuit is intended for applications where the MAX113/MAX117 are normally in standby and are turned on in order to make measurements at intervals greater than 100µs. C1 (the capacitor connected to REF+) is slowly charged by the MAX872 during the standby period, and furnishes the reference current during the short measurement period.

The  $4.7\mu$ F value of C1 ensures a voltage drop of less than 1/2LSB when performing four to eight successive conversions. Larger capacitors reduce the error still further. Use ceramic or tantalum capacitors for C1.

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Figure 7d. An N-channel MOSFET switches off the reference load during power-down

#### Initial Power-Up

When power is first applied, perform a conversion to initialize the MAX113/MAX117. Disregard the output data.

#### Bypassing

Use a 4.7  $\mu F$  electrolytic in parallel with a 0.1  $\mu F$  ceramic capacitor to bypass V\_DD to GND. Minimize capacitor lead lengths.

Bypass the reference inputs with 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitors, as shown in Figures 7a, 7b, and 7c.

#### Analog Inputs

Figure 8 shows the equivalent circuit of the MAX113/ MAX117 input. When a conversion starts and  $\overline{\text{WR}}$  is low,  $V_{\text{IN}}$  is connected to sixteen 0.6pF capacitors. During this acquisition phase, the input capacitors charge to the input voltage through the resistance of the internal analog switches. In addition, about 22pF of stray capacitance must be charged. The input can be modeled as an equivalent RC network (Figure 9). As source impedance increases, the capacitors take longer to charge.

The typical 32pF input capacitance allows source resistance as high as  $1.5k\Omega$  without setup problems. For larger resistances, the acquisition time (t<sub>ACQ</sub>) must be increased.

Internal protection diodes, which clamp the analog input to V<sub>DD</sub> and GND, allow the channel input pins to swing from GND - 0.3V to V<sub>DD</sub> + 0.3V without damage. However, for accurate conversions near full scale and zero scale the inputs must not exceed V<sub>DD</sub> by more than 50mV or be lower than GND by 50mV.



Figure 8. Equivalent Input Circuit



Figure 9. RC Network Equivalent Input Model



Figure 10. Transfer Function

If the analog input exceeds 50mV beyond the supplies, limit the input current to no more than two milliamperes, as excessive current will degrade the conversion accuracy of the on channel.

#### Track/Hold

The track/hold enters hold mode when a conversion starts ( $\overline{RD}$  low or  $\overline{WR}$  low). INT goes low at the end of the conversion, at which point the track/hold enters track mode. The next conversion can start after the minimum acquisition time, tACQ.

#### **Transfer Function**

Figure 10 shows the MAX113/MAX117's nominal transfer function. Code transitions occur halfway between successive-integer LSB values. Output coding is binary with  $1LSB = (V_{REF+} - V_{REF-}) / 256$ .

#### **Conversion Rate**

The maximum sampling rate ( $f_{MAX}$ ) for the MAX113/ MAX117 is achieved in write-read mode ( $t_{RD} < t_{INTL}$ ) and is calculated as follows:

$$f_{MAX} = \frac{1}{t_{WR} + t_{RD} + t_{RI} + t_{ACO}}$$
$$f_{MAX} = \frac{1}{600\text{ns} + 800\text{ns} + 300\text{ns} + 450\text{ns}}$$

 $f_{MAX} = 465 kHz$ 

where  $t_{WR}$  = the write pulse width,  $t_{RD}$  = the delay between write and read pulses,  $t_{RI}$  = RD to INT delay, and  $t_{ACQ}$  = minimum acquisition time.

#### Signal-to-Noise Ratio and Effective Number of Bits

Signal-to-noise plus distortion (SINAD) is the ratio of the fundamental input frequency's RMS amplitude to all other ADC output signals. The output spectrum is limited to frequencies above DC and below one-half the ADC sample rate.

The theoretical minimum analog-to-digital noise is caused by quantization error, and results directly from the ADC's resolution: SNR = (6.02N + 1.76)dB, where N is the number of bits of resolution. Therefore, a perfect 8-bit ADC can do no better than 50dB.

The FFT Plot (see *Typical Operating Characteristics*) shows the result of sampling a pure 30.27kHz sinusoid at a 400kHz rate. This FFT plot of the output shows the output level in various spectral bands.

The effective resolution (or "effective number of bits") the ADC provides can be measured by transposing the equation that converts resolution to SNR: N = (SINAD - 1.76) / 6.02 (see *Typical Operating Characteristics*).

#### **Total Harmonic Distortion**

Total harmonic distortion (THD) is the ratio of the RMS sum of all harmonics of the input signal (in the frequency band above DC and below one-half the sample rate) to the fundamental itself. This is expressed as:

THD = 
$$20\log\left[\frac{\sqrt{V_2^2 + V_3^2 + V_4^2 + ...V_N^2}}{V_1}\right]$$

where  $V_1$  is the fundamental RMS amplitude, and  $V_2$  through  $V_N$  are the amplitudes of the 2nd through Nth harmonics.

#### Spurious-Free Dynamic Range

Spurious-free dynamic range (SFDR) is the ratio of the fundamental RMS amplitude to the amplitude of the next largest spectral component (in the frequency band above DC and below one-half the sample rate). Usually the next largest spectral component occurs at some harmonic of the input frequency. However, if the ADC is exceptionally linear, it may occur only at a random peak in the ADC's noise floor. See the Signal-to-Noise Ratio graph in *Typical Operating Characteristics*.

### Ordering Information (continued)

\_Chip Information

TRANSISTOR COUNT: 2011

PART	TEMP. RANGE	PIN-PACKAGE
MAX117CPI	0°C to +70°C	28 Wide Plastic DIP
MAX117CAI	0°C to +70°C	28 SSOP
MAX117C/D	0°C to +70°C	Dice*
MAX117EPI	-40°C to +85°C	28 Wide Plastic DIP
MAX117EAI	-40°C to +85°C	28 SSOP
MAX117MJI	-55°C to +125°C	28 Wide CERDIP**

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