



LTC1555L

## SIM Power Supply and Level Translator

### FEATURES

- Buck/Boost Charge Pump Generates 3V or 5V
- Input Voltage Range: 2.6V to 6V
- Controller  $V_{CC}$  Range: 1.425V to 4.4V
- >10kV ESD on All SIM Contact Pins
- Short-Circuit and Overtemperature Protected
- 3V to 5V Signal Level Translators
- Very Low Operating Current: 40 $\mu$ A
- Very Low Shutdown Current: <1 $\mu$ A
- Soft-Start Limits Inrush Current at Turn-On
- 1MHz Switching Frequency
- Available in 16-Pin Narrow SSOP Package

### APPLICATIONS

- SIM Interface in GSM Cellular Telephones
- Smart Card Readers

### DESCRIPTION

The LTC®1555L provides power conversion and level shifting needed for low voltage GSM cellular telephones to interface with either 3V or 5V Subscriber Identity Modules (SIMs). The part contains a patented buck/boost charge pump DC/DC converter\* that delivers a regulated  $V_{CC}$  supply voltage to the SIM card. Input voltage may range from 2.6V to 6V allowing direct connection to the battery. The output voltage may be programmed to 3V, 5V or direct connection to the  $V_{IN}$  pin.

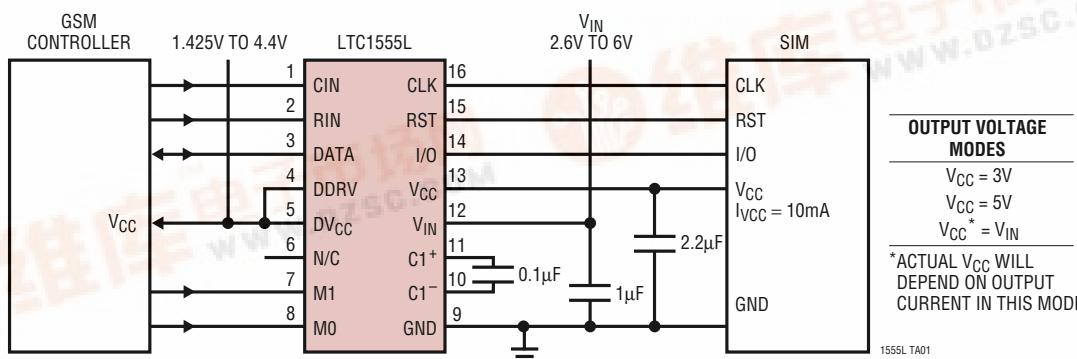
Internal level translators allow controllers operating with supplies as low as 1.425V to interface with 3V and 5V SIMs. A soft-start feature limits inrush current at turn-on, mitigating start-up problems that may result when the input is supplied by another low-power DC/DC converter. Battery life is maximized by 40 $\mu$ A operating current, and 1 $\mu$ A shutdown current. Board area is minimized by the miniature 16-pin narrow SSOP packages and the need for only three small external capacitors.

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### TYPICAL APPLICATION

GSM Cellular Telephone SIM Interface



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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

(Note 1)

$V_{IN}$ , $DV_{CC}$ to GND	-0.3V to 6.5V
$V_{CC}$ to GND	-0.3V to 6.5V
Digital Inputs to GND	-0.3V to 6.5V
$CLK$ , $RST$ , I/O to GND	-0.3V to $V_{CC} + 0.3V$
$V_{CC}$ Short-Circuit Duration	Indefinite
Operating Temperature Range (Note 2)	-40°C to 85°C
Storage Temperature Range	-65°C to 150°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec)	300°C

## PACKAGE/ORDER INFORMATION

TOP VIEW	ORDER PART NUMBER
	LTC1555LEGN
	GN PART MARKING
	1555L

GN PACKAGE  
16-LEAD PLASTIC SSOP  
 $T_{JMAX} = 125^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\theta_{JA} = 150^\circ\text{C}/\text{W}$

Consult factory for parts specified with wider operating temperature ranges.

## ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

The ● denotes the specifications which apply over the full operating temperature range, otherwise specifications are at  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ . ( $V_{IN} = 2.6\text{V}$  to 6V,  $DV_{CC} = 1.425\text{V}$  to 4.4V, controller digital pins tied to  $DV_{CC}$ , SIM digital pins floating,  $C1 = 0.1\mu\text{F}$ ,  $C_{OUT} = 2.2\mu\text{F}$  unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
$V_{IN}$ Operating Voltage		●	2.6	6	V
$DV_{CC}$ Operating Voltage		●	1.425	4.4	V
$DV_{CC}$ Undervoltage Lockout				1.2	V
$V_{IN}$ Operating Current	$V_{CC} = 5\text{V}$ , $I_{VCC} = 0\text{V}$	●	35	65	$\mu\text{A}$
$V_{IN}$ Shutdown Current	$M0, M1 = 0\text{V}$	●		1	$\mu\text{A}$
$DV_{CC}$ Operating Current	$M0, M1, DATA = DV_{CC}$ , $C_{IN} = 1\text{MHz}$	●	5	30	$\mu\text{A}$
$DV_{CC}$ Shutdown Current	$M0, M1 = 0\text{V}$ , $DATA, C_{IN} = DV_{CC}$	●		1	$\mu\text{A}$
$V_{CC}$ Output Voltage	$0 \leq I_{VCC} \leq 10\text{mA}$ $M0, M1 = DV_{CC}$ , $2.6\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 6\text{V}$ $M0, M1 = DV_{CC}$ , $2.7\text{V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 6\text{V}$ $M0 = DV_{CC}$ , $M1 = 0$ $M0 = 0$ , $M1 = DV_{CC}$	● ● ● ● ●	4.55 4.75 2.8 $V_{IN} - 0.2$	5 5 3 $V_{IN}$	5.25 5.25 3.2 mA
$V_{CC}$ Short-Circuit Current	$V_{CC}$ Shorted to GND	●	50	150	mA
Charge Pump $f_{osc}$			1		MHz

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PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
<b>Controller Inputs/Outputs (<math>DV_{CC} = 3\text{V}</math>)</b>					
Input Current ( $I_{IH}/I_{IL}$ )	M0, M1, M2, RIN, CIN	●	-100	100	nA
Input Current ( $I_{IH}/I_{IL}$ )	DDRV	●	-5	5	μA
High Level Input Current ( $I_{IH}$ )	DATA	●	-20	20	μA
Low Level Input Current ( $I_{IL}$ )	DATA	●		1	mA
High Input Voltage Threshold ( $V_{IH}$ )	M0, M1, M2, RIN, CIN, DDRV DATA	● ●		$0.7 \times DV_{CC}$ $DV_{CC} - 0.6$	V
Low Input Voltage Threshold ( $V_{IL}$ )	M0, M1, M2, RIN, CIN, DDRV DATA	● ●	$0.2 \times DV_{CC}$ 0.4		V
High Level Output Voltage ( $V_{OH}$ )	DATA Source Current = $20\mu\text{A}$ I/O = $V_{CC}$	●	$0.7 \times DV_{CC}$		V
Low Level Output Voltage ( $V_{OL}$ )	DATA Sink Current = $-200\mu\text{A}$ I/O = 0V (Note 3)	●		0.4	V
DATA Pull-Up Resistance	Between DATA and $DV_{CC}$	●	13	20	kΩ
DATA Output Rise/Fall Time	DATA Loaded with 30pF	●		1.3	μs
<b>SIM Inputs/Outputs (<math>V_{CC} = 3\text{V}</math> or <math>5\text{V}</math>)</b>					
I/O High Input Voltage Threshold ( $V_{IH}$ )	$I_{IH(\text{MAX})} = \pm 20\mu\text{A}$	●		$0.7 \times V_{CC}$	V
I/O Low Input Voltage Threshold ( $V_{IL}$ )	$I_{IL(\text{MAX})} = 1\text{mA}$	●		0.4	V
High Level Output Voltage ( $V_{OH}$ )	I/O, Source Current = $20\mu\text{A}$ DATA or DDRV = $DV_{CC}$	●	$0.8 \times V_{CC}$		V
Low Level Output Voltage ( $V_{OL}$ )	I/O, Sink Current = $-1\text{mA}$ DATA or DDRV = 0V (Note 3)	●		0.4	V
High Level Output Voltage ( $V_{OH}$ )	RST, CLK Source Current = $20\mu\text{A}$	●	$0.9 \times V_{CC}$		V
Low Level Output Voltage ( $V_{OL}$ )	RST, CLK Sink Current = $-200\mu\text{A}$	●		0.4	V
I/O Pull-Up Resistance	Between I/O and $V_{CC}$	●	6.5	10	kΩ
<b>SIM Timing Parameters (<math>DV_{CC} = 3\text{V}</math>, <math>V_{CC} = 5\text{V}</math>)</b>					
CLK Rise/Fall Time	CLK Loaded with 30pF, $V_{CC} = 3\text{V}$ , or $5\text{V}$	●		18	ns
RST, I/O Rise/Fall Time	RST, I/O Loaded with 30pF	●		1	μs
CLK Frequency	CLK Loaded with 30pF	●		5	MHz
$V_{CC}$ Turn-On Time	$C_{OUT} = 2.2\mu\text{F}$ , $I_{VCC} = 0$			0.5	ms
$V_{CC}$ Discharge Time to 1V	$I_{VCC} = 0$ , $V_{CC} = 5\text{V}$ , $C_{OUT} = 2.2\mu\text{F}$			0.5	ms

**Note 1:** Absolute Maximum Ratings are those values beyond which the life of a device may be impaired.

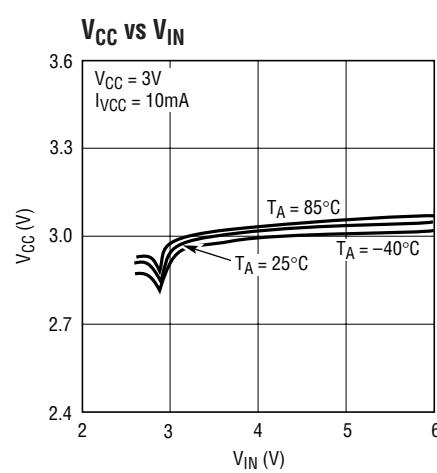
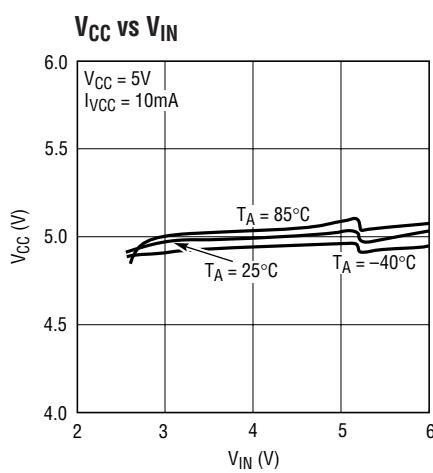
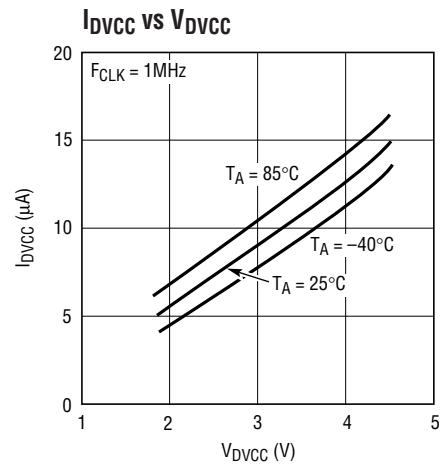
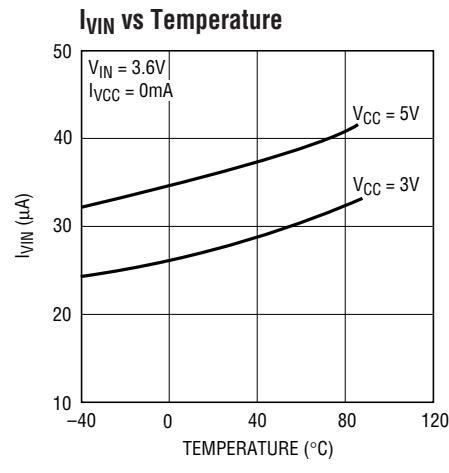
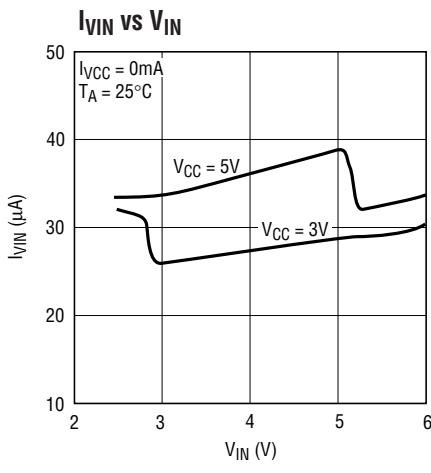
**Note 2:** The LTC1555LEGN is guaranteed to meet performance specifications from  $0^\circ\text{C}$  to  $70^\circ\text{C}$ . Specifications over the  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  to  $85^\circ\text{C}$

operating temperature range are assured by design, characterization and correlation with statistical process controls.

**Note 3:** The DATA and I/O pull-down drivers must also sink current sourced by the internal pull-up resistor.

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## TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS



## PIN FUNCTIONS

**CIN (Pin 1):** Clock Input Pin from Controller.

**RIN (Pin 2):** Reset Input Pin from Controller.

**DATA (Pin 3):** Controller Side Data Input/Output Pin. Can be used for single pin bidirectional data transfer between the controller and the SIM card as long as the controller data pin is open drain. The controller output must be able to sink 1mA max when driving the DATA pin low due to the internal pull-up resistors on the DATA and I/O pins. If the controller data output is not open drain, then the DDRV pin should be used for sending data to the SIM card and the DATA pin used for receiving data from the SIM card.

**DDRV (Pin 4):** Optional Data Input Pin for Sending Data to the SIM Card. When not needed, the DDRV pin should either be left floating or tied to DV<sub>CC</sub> (an internal 1μA current source will pull the DDRV pin up to DV<sub>CC</sub> if left floating).

**DV<sub>CC</sub> (Pin 5):** Supply Voltage for Controller Side Digital Input/Output Pins (typically 3V). May be between 1.425V and 4.4V. The DV<sub>CC</sub> supply may be powered-down in shutdown for further reduction in battery current. When DV<sub>CC</sub> drops below 1.2V, the charge pump is disabled and the LTC1555L goes into shutdown mode regardless of the signals on the M0-M1 pins.

## PIN FUNCTIONS

**N/C (Pin 6):** No Internal Connection.

**M1 (Pin 7):** Mode Control Bit 1 (see Table 1).

**M0 (Pin 8):** Mode Control Bit 0 (see Table 1).

**GND (Pin 9):** Ground for Both the SIM and the Controller. Should be connected to the SIM GND contact as well as to the  $V_{IN}$ /controller GND. Proper grounding and supply bypassing is required to meet 15kV ESD specifications.

**C1<sup>-</sup> (Pin 10):** Charge Pump Flying Capacitor Negative Input.

**C1<sup>+</sup> (Pin 11):** Charge Pump Flying Capacitor Positive Input.

Table 1. Truth Table

M0	M1	OPERATING MODE
0V	0V	Shutdown ( $V_{CC} = 0V$ )
0V	$DV_{CC}$	$V_{CC}^* = V_{IN}$
$DV_{CC}$	0V	$V_{CC} = 3V$
$DV_{CC}$	$DV_{CC}$	$V_{CC} = 5V$

\*Actual  $V_{CC}$  will depend on the output current in this mode.

**$V_{IN}$  (Pin 12):** Charge Pump Input Pin. May be between 2.6V and 6V. There is no power-up sequencing requirement for  $V_{IN}$  with respect to  $DV_{CC}$ .

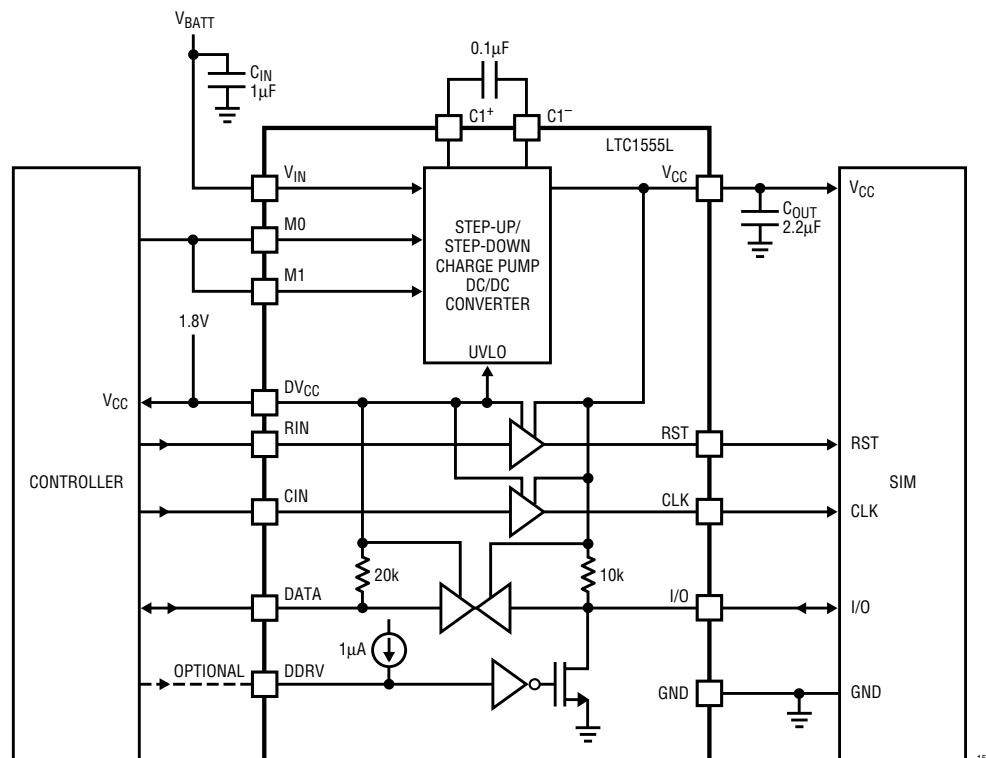
**$V_{CC}$  (Pin 13):** SIM Card  $V_{CC}$  Output. Should be connected to the SIM  $V_{CC}$  contact. The  $V_{CC}$  output voltage is determined by the M0-M1 pins (see Table 1).  $V_{CC}$  is discharged to GND during shutdown (M0, M1 = 0V). A 2.2 $\mu$ F low ESR output capacitor should connect close to the  $V_{CC}$  pin.

**I/O (Pin 14):** SIM Side I/O Pin. The pin is an open drain output with a nominal pull-up resistance of 10k $\Omega$  and should be connected to the SIM I/O contact. The SIM card must sink up to 1mA max when driving the I/O pin low due to the internal pull-up resistors on the I/O and DATA pins. The I/O pin is held active low during shutdown.

**RST (Pin 15):** Level Shifted Reset Output Pin. Should be connected to the SIM RST contact.

**CLK (Pin 16):** Level Shifted Clock Output Pin. Should be connected to the SIM CLK contact. Careful trace routing is recommended due to fast rise and fall edge speeds.

## BLOCK DIAGRAM



## APPLICATIONS INFORMATION

The LTC1555L performs the two primary functions necessary for low voltage controllers (e.g., GSM cellular telephone controllers, smart card readers, etc.) to communicate with 5V SIMs or smart cards. The part produces a regulated 3V or 5V  $V_{CC}$  supply for the SIM, and also provides level translators for communication between the SIM and the controller.

### $V_{CC}$ Voltage Regulator

The regulator section of the LTC1555L (refer to Block Diagram) consists of a buck/boost charge pump DC/DC converter. The charge pump can operate over a wide input voltage range (2.6V to 6V) while maintaining a regulated  $V_{CC}$  output. The wide  $V_{IN}$  range enables the part to be powered directly from a battery (if desired) rather than from a DC/DC converter output. When  $V_{IN}$  is less than the selected  $V_{CC}$  voltage, the part operates as a switched capacitor voltage doubler. When  $V_{IN}$  is greater than  $V_{CC}$ , the part operates as gated switch step-down converter. In either case, voltage conversion requires only one small flying capacitor and output capacitor.

The  $V_{CC}$  output can be programmed via the M0-M1 pins to either 3V, 5V or direct connection to  $V_{IN}$ . This flexibility is useful in applications where multiple voltage SIMs may be used. When the charge pump is put into shutdown (M0, M1 = 0),  $V_{CC}$  is pulled to GND via an internal switch to aid in proper system supply sequencing.

An internal soft-start feature helps to limit inrush currents upon start-up or when coming out of shutdown mode. Inrush current limiting is especially useful when powering the LTC1555L from a DC/DC output since the unlimited inrush current may approach 300mA and cause voltage transients on the 3V supply. The part is fully short-circuit and over-temperature protected, and can survive an indefinite short from  $V_{CC}$  to GND.

### Capacitor Selection

For best performance, it is recommended that low ESR ( $<0.5\Omega$ ) capacitors be used for both  $C_{IN}$  and  $C_{OUT}$  to reduce noise and ripple. The  $C_{IN}$  and  $C_{OUT}$  capacitors should be either ceramic or tantalum and should be 1 $\mu$ F or greater (ceramic capacitors will produce the smallest output ripple).

If the input source impedance is very low ( $<0.5\Omega$ ),  $C_{IN}$  may not be needed. Increasing the size of  $C_{OUT}$  to 2.2 $\mu$ F for greater will reduce output voltage ripple—particularly with high  $V_{IN}$  voltages (4V or greater). A ceramic X5R or X7R type capacitor is recommended for the flying capacitor C1 with a value of 0.1 $\mu$ F or 0.22 $\mu$ F.

### Output Ripple

Normal LTC1555L operation produces voltage ripple on the  $V_{CC}$  pin. Output voltage ripple is required for the parts to regulate. Low frequency ripple exists due to the hysteresis in the sense comparator and propagation delays in the charge pump enable/disable circuits. High frequency ripple is also present mainly from the ESR (equivalent series resistance) in the output capacitor. Typical output ripple ( $V_{IN} < 4V$ ) under maximum load is 75mV peak-to-peak with a low ESR, 2.2 $\mu$ F output capacitor. ( $V_{CC} = 5V$ )

The magnitude of the ripple voltage depends on several factors. High input voltages increase the output ripple since more charge is delivered to  $C_{OUT}$  per charging cycle. A large C1 flying capacitor ( $>0.22\mu$ F) also increases ripple in step-up mode for the same reason. Large output current load and/or a small output capacitor ( $<1\mu$ F) results in higher ripple due to higher output voltage  $dV/dt$ . High ESR capacitors ( $ESR > 0.5\Omega$ ) on the output pin cause high frequency voltage spikes on  $V_{OUT}$  with every clock cycle.

A 2.2 $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor on the  $V_{CC}$  pin should produce acceptable levels of output voltage ripple in nearly all applications. Also, in order to keep noise down to a minimum all capacitors should be placed close to LTC1555L.

### Level Translators

All SIMs and smart cards contain a clock input, a reset input, and a bidirectional data input/output. The LTC1555L provides level translators to allow controllers to communicate with the SIM. (See Figure 1a and 1b). The CLK and RST inputs to the SIM are level shifted from the controller supply rails ( $DV_{CC}$  and GND) to the SIM supply rails ( $V_{CC}$  and GND). The data input to the SIM may be provided two different ways. The first method is to use the DATA pin as a bidirectional level translator. This configuration is only allowed if the controller data output pin is

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open drain (all SIM I/O pins are open drain). Internal pull-up resistors are provided for both the DATA pin and the I/O pin on the SIM side. The second method is to use the DDRV pin to send data to the SIM and use the DATA pin to receive data from the SIM. When the DDRV pin is not used, it should either be left floating or tied to DV<sub>CC</sub>.

### Shutting Down the DV<sub>CC</sub> Supply

To conserve power, the DV<sub>CC</sub> supply may be shut down while the V<sub>IN</sub> supply is still active. When the DV<sub>CC</sub> supply is forced below 1.2V, an undervoltage lockout circuit

forces the LTC1555L into shutdown mode regardless of the status of the M0-M1 pins.

### 10kV ESD Protection

All pins that connect to the SIM (CLK, RST, I/O, V<sub>CC</sub>, GND) withstand over 10kV of human body model ESD. In order to ensure proper ESD protection, careful board layout is required. The GND pin should be tied directly to a GND plane. The V<sub>CC</sub> capacitor should be located very close to the V<sub>CC</sub> pin and tied immediately to the GND plane.

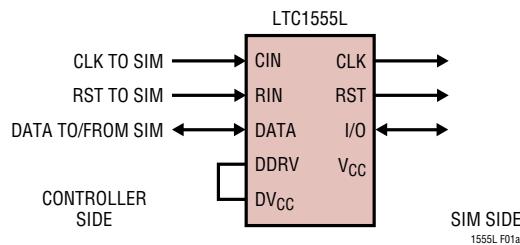


Figure 1a. Level Translator Connections for Bidirectional Controller DATA Pin

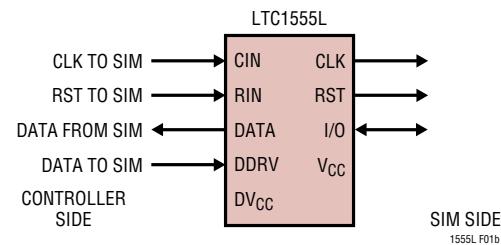
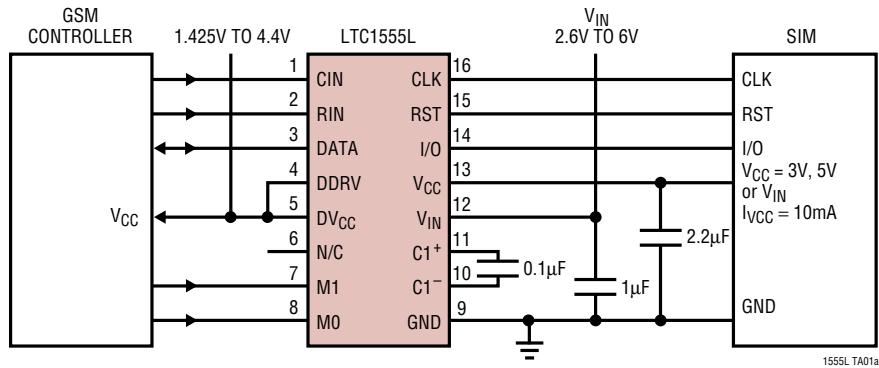


Figure 1b. Level Translator Connections for One-Directional Controller Side DATA Flow

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## TYPICAL APPLICATION

GSM Cellular Telephone SIM Interface

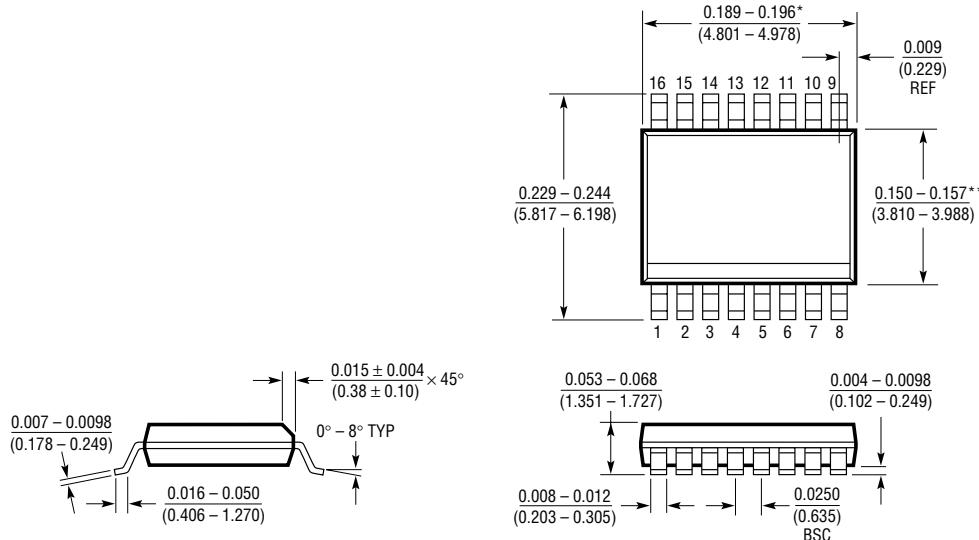


## PACKAGE DESCRIPTION

Dimensions in inches (millimeters) unless otherwise noted.

**GN Package**  
**16-Lead Plastic SSOP (Narrow 0.150)**

(LTC DWG # 05-08-1641)



\* DIMENSION DOES NOT INCLUDE MOLD FLASH. MOLD FLASH SHALL NOT EXCEED 0.006" (0.152mm) PER SIDE

\*\* DIMENSION DOES NOT INCLUDE INTERLEAD FLASH. INTERLEAD FLASH SHALL NOT EXCEED 0.010" (0.254mm) PER SIDE

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## RELATED PARTS

PART NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
LTC1555L-1.8	SIM Power Supply and Level Translator	V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.6V to 6V; Interface with 1.8V, 3V and 5V SIMs
LTC1555/LTC1556	SIM Power Supply and Level Translator	V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.7V to 10V; Step-Up/Step-Down Charge Pump; 3V and 5V V <sub>OUT</sub>
LTC1755	Smart Card Interface	V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.7V to 6V; 24-Pin SSOP Package; I <sub>Q</sub> = 60μA
LTC1756	Smart Card Interface	V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.7V to 6V; 16-Pin SSOP Package; I <sub>Q</sub> = 75μA
LTC1986	3V/5V SIM Power Supply in SOT-23	V <sub>IN</sub> = 2.6V to 4.4V; I <sub>Q</sub> = 14μA