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Data Sheet

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Digitally Controlled Potentiometer (XDCP™)

The Intersil X9116 is a digitally controlled nonvolatile potentiometer designed to be used in trimmer applications. The pot consists of 15 equal resistor segments that connect to the wiper pin through programmable CMOS switches. The tap position is programmed through a 3-wire up/down serial port. The last position of the wiper is stored in a nonvolatile memory location which is recalled at the time of power up of the device.

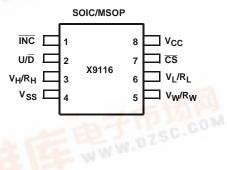
The wiper moves through sequential tap positions with inputs on the serial port. A falling edge on INC (bar) causes the tap position to increment one position up or down based on whether the U/D (bar) pin is held high or low.

The X9116 can be used in many applications requiring a variable resistance. In many cases it can replace a mechanical trimmer and offers many advantages such as temperature and time stability as well as the reliability of a solid state solution.

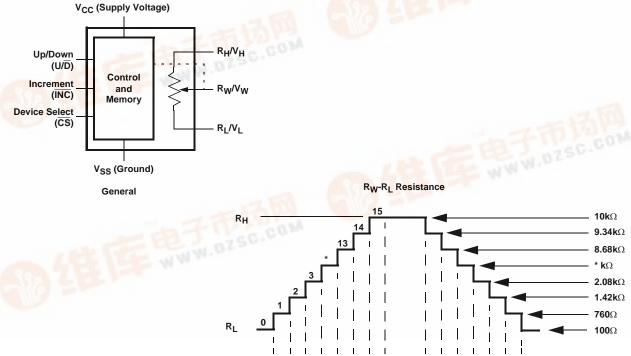
Features

- Solid-state nonvolatile
- 16 wiper taps
- 3-wire up/down serial interface
- V_{CC} = 2.7V and 5V
- Active current < 50µA max.
- Standby current < 1µA max.
- $R_{TOTAI} = 10k\Omega$
- · Packages: MSOP-8, SOIC
- Pb-free plus anneal available (RoHS compliant)

Pinout



Block Diagram



Ordering Information

PART NUMBER (BRAND)	PART MARKING	V _{CC} LIMITS (V)	R _{TOTAL} (kΩ)	TEMPERATURE RANGE (°C)	PACKAGE
X9116WM8*	AAZ	5V ±10%	10	0 to 70	8 Ld MSOP
X9116WM8Z* (Note)	AKY			0 to 70	8 Ld MSOP (Pb-free)
X9116WM8I*	AFL			-40 to 85	8 Ld MSOP
X9116WM8IZ* (Note)	DCG			-40 to 85	8 Ld MSOP (Pb-free)
X9116WS8*	X9116W			0 to 70	8 Ld SOIC
X9116WS8Z* (Note)	X9116W Z			0 to 70	8 Ld SOIC (Pb-free)
X9116WS8I*	X9116W I			-40 to 85	8 Ld SOIC
X9116WS8IZ* (Note)	X9116W Z I			-40 to 85	8 Ld SOIC (Pb-free)
X9116WM8-2.7*	AFK	-2.7-5.5		0 to 70	8 Ld MSOP
X9116WM8Z-2.7* (Note)	AOJ			0 to 70	8 Ld MSOP (Pb-free)
X9116WM8I-2.7*	ABA			-40 to 85	8 Ld MSOP
X9116WM8IZ-2.7* (Note)	AKS			-40 to 85	8 Ld MSOP (Pb-free)
X9116WS8-2.7*	X9116W F			0 to 70	8 Ld SOIC
X9116WS8Z-2.7* (Note)	X9116W Z F			0 to 70	8 Ld SOIC (Pb-free)
X9116WS8I-2.7*	X9116W G			-40 to 85	8 Ld SOIC
X9116WS8IZ-2.7* (Note)	X9116W Z G			-40 to 85	8 Ld SOIC (Pb-free)

NOTE: Intersil Pb-free plus anneal products employ special Pb-free material sets; molding compounds/die attach materials and 100% matte tin plate termination finish, which are RoHS compliant and compatible with both SnPb and Pb-free soldering operations. Intersil Pb-free products are MSL classified at Pb-free peak reflow temperatures that meet or exceed the Pb-free requirements of IPC/JEDEC J STD-020.

Pin Descriptions

V_H/R_H and V_L/R_L

The high (V_H/R_H) and low (V_L/R_L) terminals of the X9116 are equivalent to the fixed terminals of a mechanical potentiometer. The minimum voltage is V_{SS} and the maximum is V_{CC}.

$V_{\rm w}/R_{\rm w}$

 R_W/R_W is the wiper terminal and is equivalent to the movable terminal of a mechanical potentiometer. The position of the wiper within the array is determined by the control inputs. The wiper terminal series resistance is typically 200Ω to 400Ω depending upon V_{CC} .

$Up/Down (U/\overline{D})$

The U/\overline{D} input controls the direction of the wiper movement and whether the counter is incremented (up) or decremented (down).

Increment (INC)

The $\overline{\text{INC}}$ input is negative-edge triggered. Toggling $\overline{\text{INC}}$ will move the wiper and either increment or decrement the counter in the direction indicated by the logic level on the U/\overline{D} input.

Chip Select (CS)

The device is selected when the $\overline{\text{CS}}$ input is LOW. The current counter value is stored in nonvolatile memory when $\overline{\text{CS}}$ is returned HIGH while the $\overline{\text{INC}}$ input is also HIGH. After the store operation is complete the X9116 will be placed in the low power standby mode until the device is selected once again.

Pin Descriptions

SYMBOL	DESCRIPTION		
V _H /R _H	High Terminal		
V _W /R _W	Wiper Terminal		
V _L /R _L	Low Terminal		
V _{SS}	Ground		
VCC	Supply Voltage		
U/D	Up/Down Control Input		
ĪNC	Increment Control Input		
CS	Chip Select Input		

Principles of Operation

There are three sections of the X9116: the input control, counter and decode section; the nonvolatile memory; and

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^{*}Add "T1" suffix for tape and reel.

the resistor array. The input control section operates just like an up/down counter. The output of this counter is decoded to turn on a single electronic switch connecting a point on the resistor array to the wiper output. Under the proper conditions the contents of the counter can be stored in nonvolatile memory and retained for future use. The resistor array is comprised of 15 individual resistors connected in series. At either end of the array and between each resistor is an electronic switch that transfers the potential at that point to the wiper pin.

The wiper, when at either fixed terminal, acts like its mechanical equivalent and does not move beyond the last position. That is, the counter does not wrap around when clocked to either extreme.

The electronic switches on the device operate in a "make before break" mode when the wiper changes tap positions. If the wiper is moved several positions, multiple taps are connected to the wiper for t_{IW} (INC to v_{W} change). The v_{TOTAL} value for the device can temporarily be reduced by a significant amount if the wiper is moved several positions.

When the device is powered-down, the last wiper position stored will be maintained in the nonvolatile memory. When power is restored, the contents of the memory are recalled and the wiper is set to the value last stored.

Instructions and Programming

The $\overline{\text{INC}}$, $\overline{\text{U/D}}$ and $\overline{\text{CS}}$ inputs control the movement of the wiper along the resistor array. With $\overline{\text{CS}}$ set LOW, the device is selected and enabled to respond to the $\overline{\text{U/D}}$ and $\overline{\text{INC}}$ inputs. HIGH to LOW transitions on $\overline{\text{INC}}$ will increment or decrement (depending on the state of the $\overline{\text{U/D}}$ input) a four bit counter. The output of this counter is decoded to select one of 16 wiper positions along the resistive array.

The value of the counter is stored in nonvolatile memory whenever $\overline{\text{CS}}$ transitions HIGH while the $\overline{\text{INC}}$ input is also HIGH.

The system may select the X9116, move the wiper, and deselect the device without having to store the latest wiper position in nonvolatile memory. After the wiper movement is performed as described above and once the new position is reached, the system must keep $\overline{\text{INC}}$ LOW while taking $\overline{\text{CS}}$ HIGH. The new wiper position will be maintained until changed by the system or until a power-up/down cycle recalls the previously stored data.

This procedure allows the system to always power-up to a preset value stored in nonvolatile memory; then during system operation, minor adjustments could be made. The adjustments might be based on user preference, system parameter changes due to temperature drift, etc.

The state of U/\overline{D} may be changed while \overline{CS} remains LOW. This allows the host system to enable the device and then move the wiper up and down until the proper trim is attained.

Mode Selection

cs	INC	U/D	MODE	
L	1	Н	Wiper Up	
L		L	Wiper Down	
	Н	Х	Store Wiper Position	
Н	Х	Х	Standby Current	
	L	Х	No Store, Return to Standby	

Symbol Table

WAVEFORM	INPUTS	OUTPUTS
	Must be steady	Will be steady
	May change from Low to High	Will change from Low to High
	May change from High to Low	Will change from High to Low
	Don't Care: Changes Allowed	Changing: State Not Known
	N/A	Center Line is High Impedance

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Absolute Maximum Ratings

Recommended Operating Conditions

Temperature Range	
Commercial	0°C to +70°C
Industrial	40°C to +85°C
Supply Voltage (V _{CC}) Limits	
X9116	5V ± 10%
X9116-2.7	2.7V to 5.5V

CAUTION: Stresses above those listed in "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress only rating and operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operational sections of this specification is not implied.

Potentiometer Specifications Over recommended operating conditions unless otherwise stated

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS/NOTES	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
R _{TOTAL}	End to end resistance variation		-20		+20	%
V_{VH}	V _H /R _H terminal voltage	V _{SS} = 0V	V _{SS}		V _{CC}	V
V_{VL}	V _L /R _L terminal voltage	V _{SS} = 0V	V _{SS}		V _{CC}	V
	Power rating	$R_{TOTAL} = 10k\Omega$			10	mW
R _W	Wiper resistance	I _W = 1mA, V _{CC} = 5V		200	400	Ω
R _W	Wiper resistance	I _W = 1mA, V _{CC} = 2.7V		400	1000	Ω
I _W	Wiper current		-5.0		+5.0	mA
	Noise	Ref: 1kHz		-120		dBV√Hz
	Resolution			6		%
	Absolute linearity (Note 1)	V _{w(n)(actual)} - V _{w(n)(expected)}	-1		+1	MI (Note 3)
	Relative linearity (Note 2)	V _{w(n+1)} - [V _{w(n) + MI}]	-0.2		+0.2	MI (Note 3)
	R _{TOTAL} temperature coefficient			±300		ppm/°C
	Ratiometric temperature coefficient				±20	ppm/°C
C _H /C _L /C _W	Potentiometer capacitances	See Circuit #3		10/10/25		pF

NOTES:

- 1. Absolute linearity is utilized to determine actual wiper voltage versus expected voltage = $(V_{w(n)}(actual) V_{w(n)}(expected)) = \pm 1$ MI Maximum.
- 2. Relative linearity is a measure of the error in step size between taps = $V_{W(n+1)}$ - $[V_{w(n)} + MI] = \pm 0.2 MI$.
- 3. 1 MI = Minimum Increment = $R_{TOT}/15$.

DC Electrical Specifications Over recommended operating conditions unless otherwise specified

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP (Note 4)	MAX	UNIT
I _{CC1}	V _{CC} active current (Increment)	\overline{CS} = V _{IL} , U/ \overline{D} = V _{IL} or V _{IH} and INC = 0.4V/2.4V @ max t _{CYC}			150	μA
I _{CC2}	V_{CC} active current (Store) (EEPROM Store) $\frac{\overline{CS}}{ NC } = V_{IH}$, $U/\overline{D} = V_{IL}$ or V_{IH} and $V_{INC} = V_{IH}$ $W_{INC} = V_{IH}$ $W_{INC} = V_{IH}$				400	μA
I _{SB}	Standby supply current	$\overline{\text{CS}}$ = V _{CC} -0.3V, U/ $\overline{\text{D}}$ and $\overline{\text{INC}}$ = V _{SS} or V _{CC} -0.3V			1	μA
I _{LI}	CS, INC, U/D input leakage current	V _{IN} = V _{SS} to V _{CC}			±10	μA
V_{IH}	CS, INC, U/D input HIGH voltage		2V		V _{CC} + 0.5	V
V_{IL}	CS, INC, U/D input LOW voltage		-0.5		0.8	V
C _{IN} (Note 5)	CS, INC, U/D input capacitance	V _{CC} = 5V, V _{IN} = V _{SS} , T _A = 25°C, f = 1MHz			10	pF

- 4. Typical values are for T_A = 25°C and nominal supply voltage.
- 5. This parameter is periodically sampled and not 100% tested.

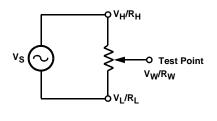
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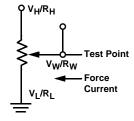
PARAMETER	MIN	UNIT
Minimum endurance	100,000	Data changes per bit
Data retention	100	Years

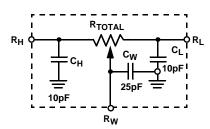
Test Circuit #1



Circuit #3 SPICE Macro Model







A.C. Conditions of Test

Input pulse levels	0V to 3V
Input rise and fall times	10ns
Input reference levels	1.5V

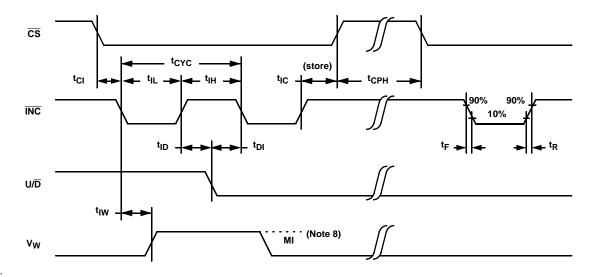
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SYMBOL	PARAMETER	MIN	TYP (NOTE 6)	MAX	UNIT
t _{Cl}	CS to INC setup	100			ns
t _{ID}	INC HIGH to U/D change	100			ns
t _{DI}	U/D to INC setup	2.9			μs
t _{IL}	INC LOW period	1			μs
t _{IH}	INC HIGH period	1			μs
t _{IC}	INC inactive to CS inactive	1			μs
t _{CPH}	CS deselect time (STORE)	10			ms
t _{IVV}	INC to Vw change		1	5	μs
tcyc	INC cycle time	4			μs
t _R , t _F (Note 7)	INC input rise and fall time			500	μѕ
t _{PU} (Note 7)	Power up to wiper stable			5	μs
t _R V _{CC} (Note 7)	V _{CC} Power-up rate	15		50	mV/µs
t _{WR}	Store cycle		5	10	ms

Power Up and Down Requirements

There are no restrictions on the power-up or power-down conditions of V_{CC} and the voltages applied to the potentiometer pins provided that V_{CC} is always more positive than or equal to V_H , V_L , and V_W , i.e., $V_{CC} \ge V_H$, V_L , V_W . The V_{CC} ramp rate spec is always in effect.

A.C. Timing

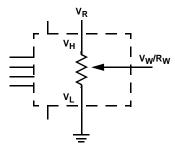


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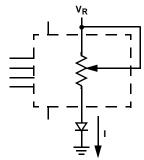
- 6. Typical values are for T_A = 25°C and nominal supply voltage.
- 7. This parameter is not 100% tested.
- 8. MI in the A.C. timing diagram refers to the minimum incremental change in the V_W output due to a change in the wiper position.

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Basic Configurations of Electronic Potentiometers



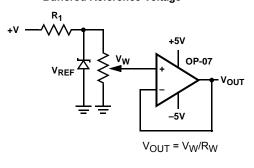
Three terminal potentiometer; variable voltage divider



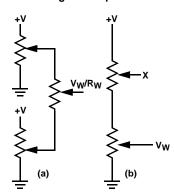
Two terminal variable resistor; variable current

Basic Circuits

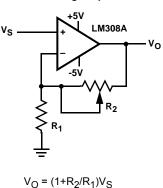
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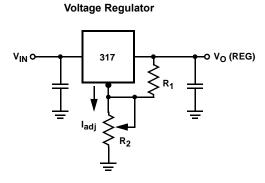


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Noninverting Amplifier





$$V_O (REG) = 1.25V (1+R_2/R_1)+ladj R_2$$

Comparator with Hysteresis

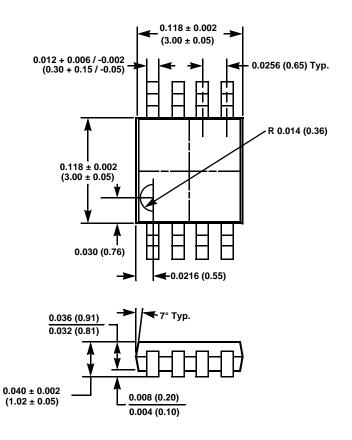
 $\begin{aligned} &V_{UL} = \{R_1/(R_1 + R_2)\} \ V_O(max) \\ &V_{LL} = \{R_1/(R_1 + R_2)\} \ V_O(min) \end{aligned}$

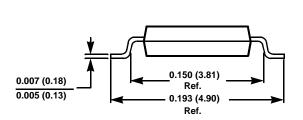
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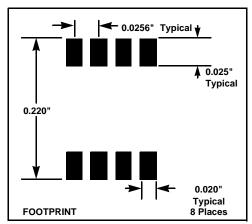
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Packaging information

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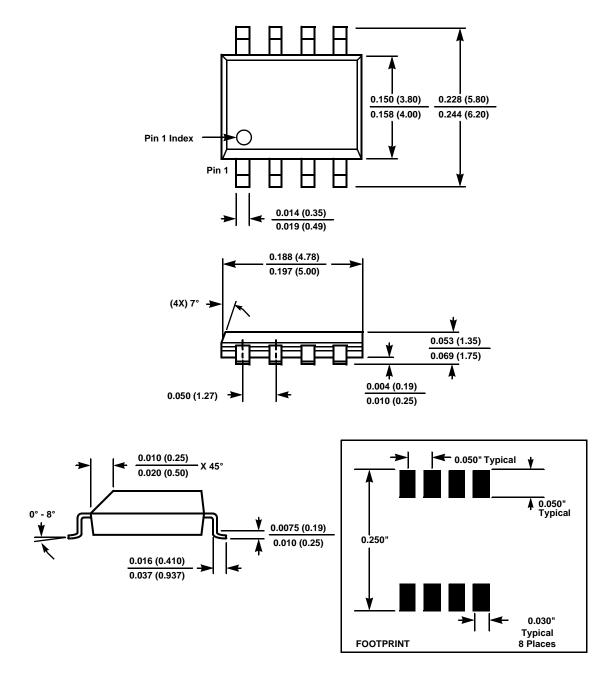


NOTE:

1. ALL DIMENSIONS IN INCHES AND (MILLIMETERS)

Packaging Information

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