# Low Noise, Dual EL Lamp Driver Demoboard 

## General Description

The Supertex HV845DB1 demoboard contains all necessary circuitry to demonstrate the features of the HV845 dual EL lamp driver.

Simply connect it to a power supply and a lamp as shown below. For additional assistance in designing EL driver circuits, please refer to application notes AN-H33 (effect of external components on performance of Supertex EL drivers).

Specifications

| Parameter | Value |
| :--- | ---: |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {DD }}$ input voltage: | 3.0 V |
| $\mathrm{~V}_{\text {IN }}$ inductor supply voltage: | $3.3-4.2 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| Supply current: | 13 mA |
| Lamp size: | $2.3 \mathrm{in}^{2}$ |
| Lamp frequency: | 195 Hz |
| Converter frequency: | 98 kHz |

## Board Layout and Connection Diagram



## Connections:

## Controls $\mathrm{C}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ : Lamp Selection

Various modes of the device are selected via the $\mathrm{C}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ pins. When $\mathrm{C}_{1}$ is connected to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}} / \mathrm{GND}$, Lamp $1\left(\mathrm{EL}_{1}\right)$ will be ON/OFF. When $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ is connected to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}} / \mathrm{GND}$, lamp 2 ( $\mathrm{EL}_{2}$ ) will be ON/OFF. When both $\mathrm{C}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{C}_{2}$ are connected to GND, the device shuts down. These inputs may be connected to a mechanical switch, or to a logic circuit output that has a source impedance of less than $20 \mathrm{k} \Omega$.

## $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}}$ : IC Supply

Supplies the HV845 EL driver IC. The supplied circuit is optimized for 3.0 V operation.

## $\mathbf{V}_{\text {IN }}$ : Inductor Supply

Supplies the high voltage power converter. The demoboard is optimized for 3.3 V to 4.2 V operation.

## GND: Circuit Ground

Connect to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}$ negative terminals. Supply bypass capacitor for both $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ are provided on the demoboard. External supply bypass capacitors are not necessary.

## $E L_{1}$ and $E L_{2}$ : Lamp Connections

Connects to lamps 1 and 2. Polarity is irrelevant.

## Com1 and Com2: Lamp Connections

Connects to the other side of lamps 1 and 2. Polarity is irrelevant.

Figure1: HV845DB1 Circuit Schematic


## Typical Performance

The specific external components used in the above circuit are: $R_{s w}=845 \mathrm{k} \Omega, L_{x}=330 \mu \mathrm{H}$ Coilcraft (LPS3010-334ML), $C_{s}=3.3 n F 100 \mathrm{~V} N P \mathrm{O}$. The following performance was observed when driving $E L_{1}=1.3 i^{2}$ and $E L_{2}=0.93 i^{2}$ green lamps.

| $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DD}}(\mathrm{V})$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}(\mathrm{V})$ | Lamp | $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{IN}}(\mathrm{mA})$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{cs}}\left(\mathrm{V}_{\text {PEAK }}\right)$ | $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{EL}}(\mathrm{Hz})$ | Lamp Brightness ( $\mathrm{cd} / \mathrm{m}^{2}$ ) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | EL ${ }_{1}$ | $E L_{2}$ |
| 3.0 | 3.3 | $E L_{1}$ ON | 8.96 | 88 | 195 | 17.04 | - |
| 3.0 | 3.3 | $\mathrm{EL}_{2} \mathrm{ON}$ | 6.96 | 88 | 195 | - | 16.36 |
| 3.0 | 3.3 | $\mathrm{EL}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{EL}_{2} \mathrm{ON}$ | 12.35 | 88 | 195 | 16.17 | 14.72 |
| 3.0 | 3.7 | $\mathrm{EL}_{1} \mathrm{ON}$ | 7.65 | 88 | 195 | 17.45 | - |
| 3.0 | 3.7 | $\mathrm{EL}_{2} \mathrm{ON}$ | 5.98 | 88 | 195 | - | 16.78 |
| 3.0 | 3.7 | $\mathrm{EL}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{EL}_{2} \mathrm{ON}$ | 11.13 | 88 | 195 | 16.64 | 15.79 |
| 3.0 | 4.2 | $E L_{1} \mathrm{ON}$ | 6.19 | 88 | 195 | 17.71 | - |
| 3.0 | 4.2 | $\mathrm{EL}_{2} \mathrm{ON}$ | 4.79 | 88 | 195 | - | 17.20 |
| 3.0 | 4.2 | $\mathrm{EL}_{1}$ and $\mathrm{EL}_{2} \mathrm{ON}$ | 8.51 | 88 | 195 | 17.27 | 16.20 |

## Bill of Materials

| Part | Description | Package | Manufacturer | Part Number |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{L}_{\mathrm{X}}$ | $330 \mu \mathrm{H}$ Inductor | --- | Coilcraft | LPS3010-334ML |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{S}}$ | $3.3 \mathrm{nF}, 100 \mathrm{~V}$, NPO chip capacitor | 0805 | Novacap | 0805N332K101NT |
| $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{SW}}$ | $1 \%, 845 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ chip resistor | 0805 | Any | --- |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathbb{N}}$ | $4.7 \mu \mathrm{FF}, 10 \mathrm{~V}$ ceramic chip capacitor | 0805 | Any | --- |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{DD}}$ | $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~F}, 16 \mathrm{~V}$ ceramic chip capacitor | 0805 | Any | --- |
| Diode | 100 V fast recovery diode | SOT-23 | Diodes Inc | 1N4148 |
| U1 | EL driver IC | 12-Lead QFN | Supertex Inc | HV845K7-G |

The above circuit may need to be optimized further based on specification of the lamp used.

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