

Advance Information

Low Power Voltage Controlled Oscillator

The MC12149 VCO is ideal in applications requiring high frequency signal generation at low power. The MC12149 series is specifically designed for ISM band applications at 902–928MHz. Low voltage operation at 3V and low current drain of 14mA typical makes the MC12149 ideal for battery operated handheld systems.

NOTE: The MC12149 is NOT useable as a crystal oscillator.

- Operates Up to 1.3GHz Center Frequency
- Low Power 14mA Typical @ 3.0V Power Supply
- Tuning Voltage Sensitivity 10MHz/V Typical
- Space Efficient 8-Pin SOIC or SSOP Package
- Phase Noise –101dBc/Hz @ 100kHz Offset Typical
- Supply Voltage of 2.7 to 5.5V

Three VCO outputs are provided on chip. Two open collector outputs at a typical –6dBm output power is available for servicing the receiver IF and transmitter up-converter single endedly or to feed the receiver IF differentially. 50Ω output termination is required for both open collector outputs even if only one side is utilized. A low power VCO output at –11dBm typical output power is also provided for the VCO output required to feedback to the prescaler input of the PLL. Current is minimized in this emitter follower output leg. If additional drive is required for the Q2 output an external resistor can be added parallel from the Q2 pin to ground to increase the output power. Care must be taken not to exceed the maximum allowable current throughout the Q2 output leg; an external resistor should be limited to 350Ω for 3V or 1KΩ for 5V supply voltage. For typical applications where the Q2 VCO signal is sent to the prescaler of the PLL, no external resistor is required.

The VCO is designed for an operating voltage range from a minimum of 2.7V, ideal when minimizing power consumption for battery operated portable applications, up to a maximum supply voltage of 5.5V.

External components required for the MC12149 are: (1) tank circuit (LC network); (2) 50Ω output termination resistor to V_{CC} on each open collector output; and (3) adequate supply voltage bypassing. The tank circuit consists of a high-Q inductor and varactor components. An inductor with a Q of at least 200 at 1GHz is suggested. VCO performance such as center frequency, tuning voltage sensitivity and noise characteristics are dependent on the particular components and configuration of the VCO tank circuit.

MC12149

LOW POWER VOLTAGE CONTROLLED OSCILLATOR

D SUFFIX
PLASTIC SOIC PACKAGE
CASE 751-03



SD SUFFIX
PLASTIC SSOP PACKAGE
CASE 940-02

MAXIMUM RATINGS*

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
V_{CC}	Power Supply Volatge, Pin 1	–0.5 to +7.0	V
T_A	Operating Temperature Range	–40 to +85	°C
T_{STG}	Storage Temperature Range	–65 to +150	°C
I_O	Maximum Output Current, Pin 8	7.5	mA

* Maximum Ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation should be restricted to the Recommended Operating Conditions.

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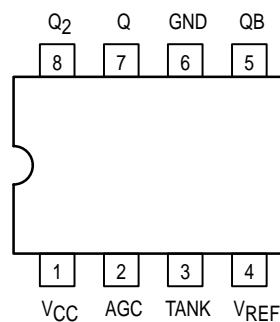
ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS ($V_{CC} = 2.7$ to 5.5 VDC, $T_A = -40^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$)

Symbol	Characteristic	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
I_{CC}	Supply Current $V_{CC} = 3.0\text{V}$ $V_{CC} = 5.0\text{V}$		14 19		mA
P_O	Output Power (50Ω Load), Pins 5 & 7	-10	-6		dBm
P_O	Output Power (High Impedance Load), Pin 8	-16	-11		dBm
T_{stg}	Tuning Voltage Sensitivity		10		MHz/V
F_C	Center Frequency at $T_f = 2.5\text{V}$		TBD		MHz
$\mathcal{L}(f)$	CSR at 25KHz Offset, 1Hz BW		-90		dBc/Hz
$\mathcal{L}(f)$	CSR at 100KHz Offset, 1Hz BW		-101		dBc/Hz
SNR	SNR (Signal-to-Noise Ratio) ¹		45		dB
TR	Tuning Volatge Range	0		5	V
F_{sts} f_{stt}	Frequency Stability Supply Drift Thermal Drift		TBD TBD		KHz/mV KHz/ $^{\circ}\text{C}$

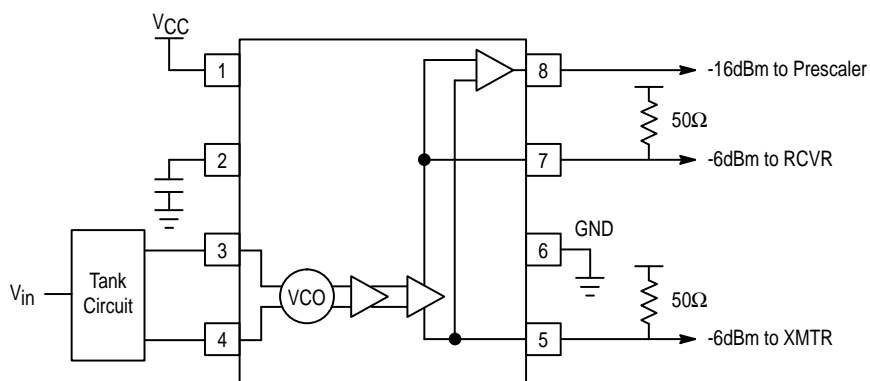
¹ SNR without vibration.

PIN NAMES

Pin	Function
V_{CC}	Power Supply
AGC	Automatic Gain Control
TANK	Tank Circuit Input
V_{REF}	Bias Voltage Output
QB	Open Collector Output
GND	Ground
Q	Open Collector Output
Q_2	Low Power Output



Pinout: 8-Lead Plastic Package (Top View)

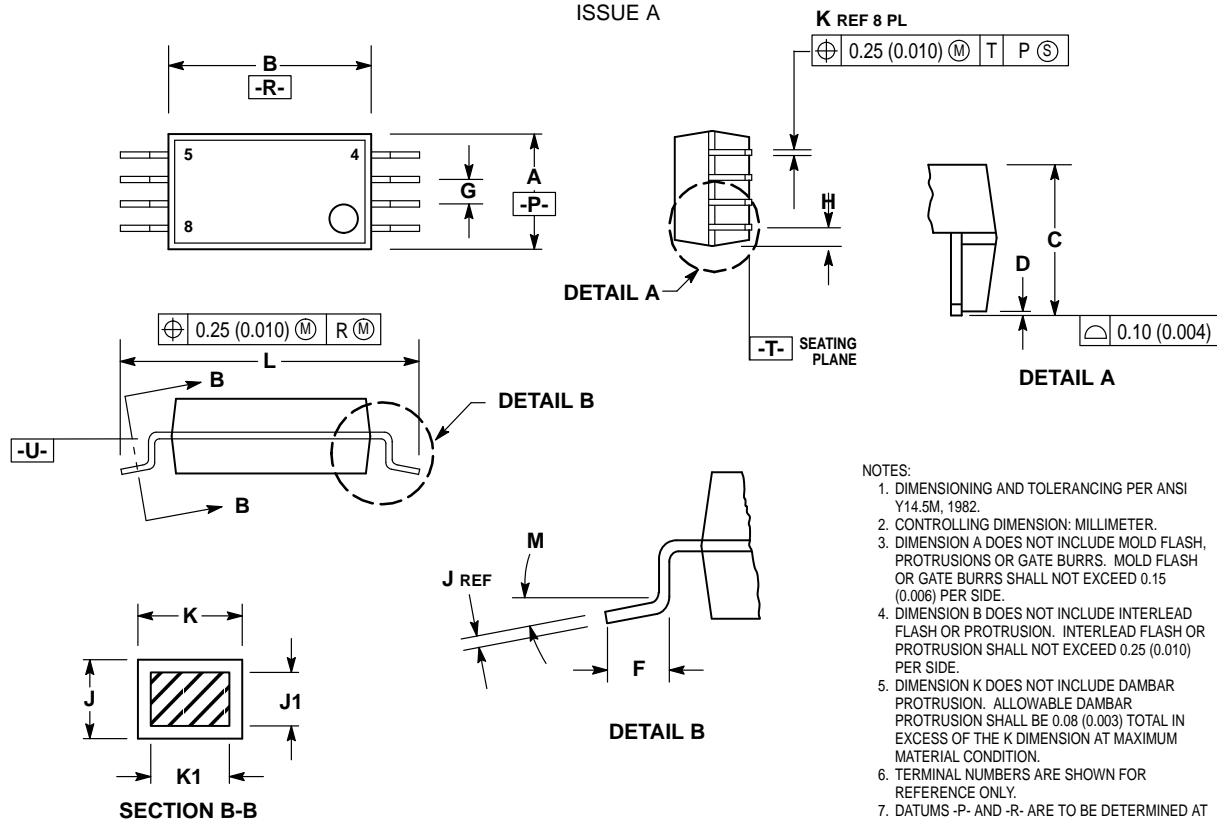


Note: Tank circuit consists of a Hi-Q inductor and varactor components. An inductor with a Q of 200 at 1GHz is suggested.

Figure 1. Block Diagram and Typical Test Circuit
(MC12149 Shown)

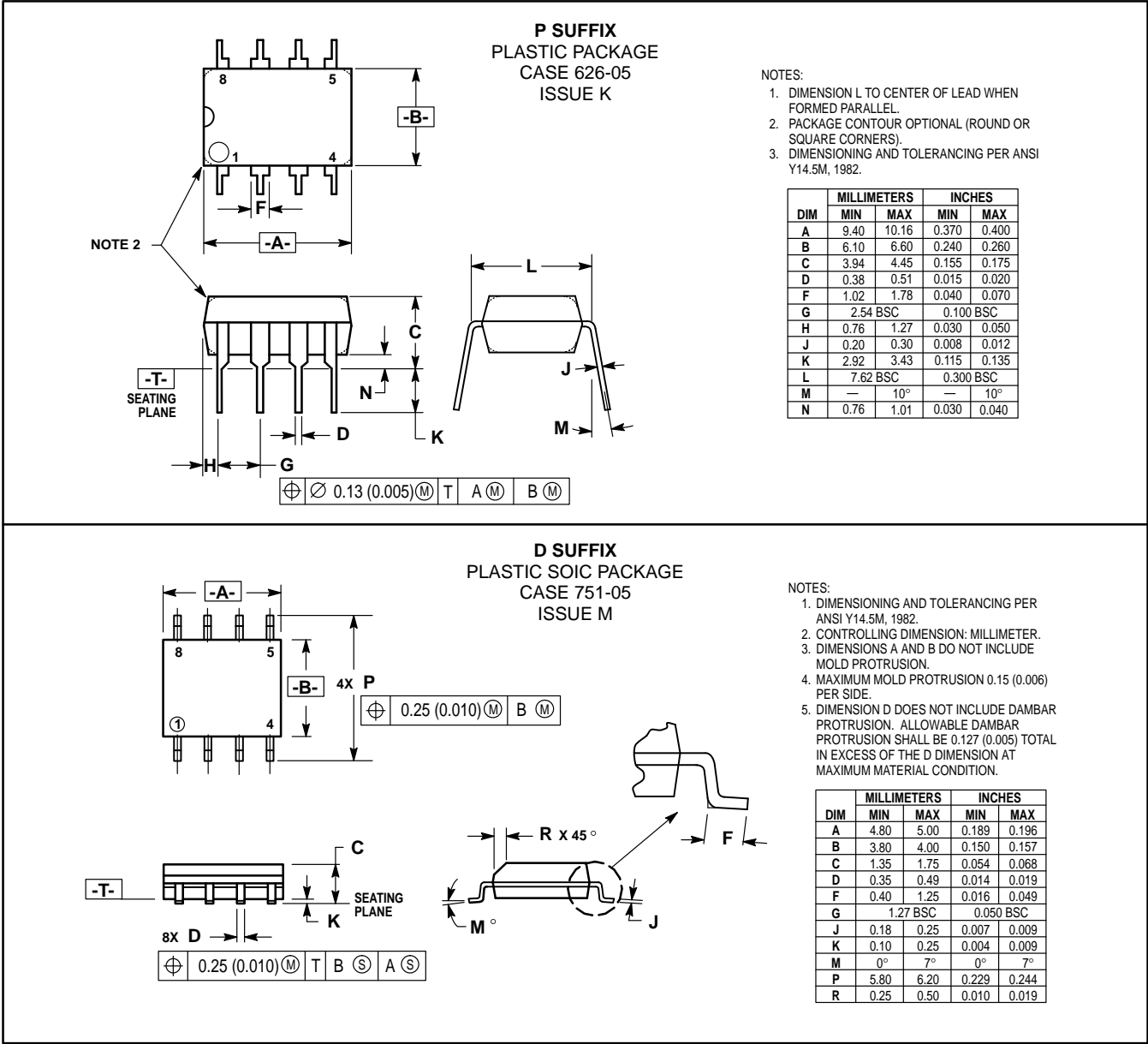
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CASE 940-02
ISSUE A



DIM	MILLIMETERS		INCHES	
	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
A	2.87	3.13	0.113	0.123
B	5.20	5.38	0.205	0.212
C	1.73	1.99	0.068	0.078
D	0.05	0.21	0.002	0.008
F	0.55	0.95	0.022	0.037
G	0.65 BSC		0.026 BSC	
H	0.50	—	0.020	—
J	0.09	0.20	0.004	0.008
J1	0.09	0.16	0.004	0.006
K	0.22	0.38	0.009	0.015
K1	0.22	0.33	0.009	0.013
L	7.65	7.90	0.301	0.311
M	0°	8°	0°	8°

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