

# Advance Information

# Variable Frequency Micropower DC-to-DC Converter

The MC33463 series are micropower step–up switching voltage regulators, specifically designed for handheld and laptop applications, to provide regulated output voltages using a minimum of external parts. A wide choice of output voltages are available. These devices feature a very low quiescent bias current of 4.0  $\mu$ A typical.

The MC33463H–XXKT1 series features a highly accurate voltage reference, an oscillator, a variable frequency modulation (VFM) controller, a driver transistor (Lx), a comparator and feedback resistive divider.

The MC33463H–XXLT1 is identical to the MC33463H–XXKT1, except that a drive pin (EXT) for an external transistor is provided.

Due to the low bias current specifications, these devices are ideally suited for battery powered computer, consumer, and industrial equipment where an extension of useful battery life is desirable.

MC33463 Series Features:

- Low Quiescent Bias Current of 4.0 μA
- High Output Voltage Accuracy of ±2.5%
- Low Startup Voltage of 0.9 V at 1.0 mA
- Wide Output Voltage Range of 2.5 V to 7.5 V Available
- High Efficiency of 80% Typical
- Surface Mount Package

Device	Output Voltage	Туре	Operating Temperature Range	Package (Tape/Reel)	
MC33463H–30KT1 MC33463H–33KT1 MC33463H–50KT1	3.0 3.3 5.0	Int. Switch	T. 200 to 1909O	SOT–89 (Tape)	
MC33463H–30LT1 MC33463H–33LT1 MC33463H–50LT1	3.0 3.3 5.0	Ext. Switch Drive	T <sub>A</sub> = –30° to +80°C	SOT–89 (Tape)	

### **ORDERING INFORMATION**

Other voltages from 2.5 V to 7.5 V, in 0.1 V increments are available. Consult factory for information.

# VARIABLE FREQUENCY MICROPOWER DC-to-DC CONVERTER

SEMICONDUCTOR TECHNICAL DATA



H SUFFIX PLASTIC PACKAGE CASE 1213 (SOT–89)



### **Representative Block Diagrams**



### **MAXIMUM RATINGS** (T<sub>C</sub> = 25°C, unless otherwise noted.)

Rating	Symbol	Value	Unit
Power Supply Voltage (Transient)	Vcc	12	V
Power Supply Voltage (Operating)	VCC	8.0	V
External Pin Voltage	V <sub>EXT</sub>	–0.3 to $V_{O}$	V
Lx Pin Voltage	V <sub>Lx</sub>	12	V
EXT Pin Source/Sink Current	IEXT	50/50	mA
Lx Pin Sink Current	۱ <sub>Lx</sub>	250	mA
Power Dissipation and Thermal Characteristics H Suffix, Plastic Package Case 1213 (SOT–89) Maximum Power Dissipation @ $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ Thermal Resistance, Junction–to–Air	PD R <sub>θ</sub> JA	500 200	mW °C/W
Operating Junction Temperature	Тj	125	°C
Operating Ambient Temperature	TA	-30 to +80	°C
Storage Temperature Range	T <sub>stg</sub>	-40 to +125	°C

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS	(V <sub>CC</sub> = 2.0 V, I <sub>O</sub> = 10 mA and T <sub>A</sub> = 25°C, unless otherwise noted	I.)
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Characteristic	Symbol	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
OSCILLATOR		•	•		
Frequency	f <sub>osc</sub>	80	100	120	kHz
Oscillator Minimum Supply Voltage (I <sub>O</sub> = 0 mA)	Vcc	_	0.7	0.8	V
Oscillator Duty Ratio Each Cycle	D	65	75	85	%
Lx OUTPUT (KT1 SUFFIX)					
ON State Sink Current (V <sub>Lx</sub> = 0.4 V)	ILX				mA
30KT1 Suffix		60	-	-	
33KT1 Suffix		63	-	-	
50KT1 Suffix		80	-	-	
V <sub>Lx</sub> Voltage Limit (Note 1)	V <sub>LxLim</sub>	0.65	0.8	1.0	V
OFF State Leakage Current (V <sub>Lx</sub> = 6.0 V)	ILKG	-	-	0.5	μA
EXT OUTPUT (LT1 SUFFIX)	•		•		
ON State Source Current (VEXT = VO - 0.4 V)	Isource				mA
30LT1 Suffix		1.5	-	-	
33LT1 Suffix		1.575	-	-	
50LT1 Suffix		2.0	-	-	
OFF State Sink Current (VEXT = 0.4 V)	lsink				mA
30LT1 Suffix		1.5	- 1	-	
33LT1 Suffix		1.575	-	-	
50LT1 Suffix		2.0	-	-	
TOTAL DEVICE					
Output Voltage	Vo				V
30KT1 or 30LT1 Suffix		2.925	3.0	3.075	
33KT1 or 33LT1 Suffix		3.218	3.3	3.383	
50KT1 or 50LT1 Suffix		4.875	5.0	5.125	
Quiescent Bias Current (Vin = 2.0 V, IO = 0 mA)	lQ				μA
30KT1 Suffix		-	4.0	8.0	
33KT1 Suffix		-	4.3	8.6	
50KT1 Suffix		-	6.0	12	
Quiescent Bias Current ( $V_{in} = V_O + 0.5 V$ , $I_O = 0 mA$ )					
30KT1 Suffix		-	1.2	5.0	
33KT1 Suffix		-	1.2	5.0	
50KT1 Suffix		-	2.0	5.0	
Quiescent Bias Current (Vin = 2.0 V, IO = 0 mA)	lQ				μΑ
30LT1 Suffix		-	30	50	
33LT1 Suffix		-	34.5	56	
50LT1 Suffix		-	60	90	
Quiescent Bias Current (Vin = VO + 0.5 V, IO = 0 mA)					
30LT1 Suffix		-	1.2	5.0	
33LT1 Suffix		-	1.2	5.0	
50LT1 Suffix	1	_	2.0	5.0	

NOTE: 1. When the Lx switch is turned on, I<sub>Lx</sub> carried through the R<sub>DS(on)</sub> of the Lx switch results in V<sub>Lx</sub>. When V<sub>Lx</sub> reaches V<sub>LxLim</sub>, the Lx switch is turned off by the Lx switch protection circuit.



Figure 3. Oscillator Frequency versus Temperature 200 MC33463H-50KT1  $f_{\rm OSC}$ , OSCILLATOR FREQUENCY (kHz) V<sub>in</sub> = 2.0 V IO = 10 mA 160 120 80 40 -40 -20 0 20 40 60 80 TA, AMBIENT TEMPERATURE (°C)

Figure 5. Lx Switching Current versus Temperature



Figure 4. Oscillator Duty Ratio versus Temperature

60

80



Figure 6. VLx Voltage Limit versus Temperature















600



#### Figure 14. Startup/Hold Voltage versus Temperature Vstart/Vhold , STARTUP/HOLD VOLTAGE (V) 1.0 0.8 Vstart 0.6 Vhold 0.4 MC33463H-50KT1 $L = 120 \ \mu H$ $I_{O} = 1.0 \text{ mA}$ 0.2 60 -40 -20 0 20 40 80 TA, AMBIENT TEMPERATURE (°C)

DEFINITIONS

**Quiescent Bias Current** – Current which is used to operate the switching regulator chip and is not delivered to the load.

**Leakage Current** – Current drawn through a transistor junction, under a specified collector voltage, when the transistor is off.

### FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

### Introduction

The MC33463 series are monolithic power switching regulators optimized for dc-to-dc converter applications where power drain must be minimized. The combination of features in this series allows the system designer to directly implement step-up, step-down or flyback converters with a small number of external components. Potential applications include low power consumer products and battery powered portable products. Typical application circuits are shown in Figure 15 and Figure 16.

### **Operating Description**

The MC33463 series converters each operate as a fixed on–time, variable off–time voltage mode ripple regulator. Operation is intended to be in the discontinuous mode, where the inductor current ramps up to a peak value which is greater than or equal to twice the value of the dc input current during the on–time of the transistor switch. During the off–time of the transistor switch, the inductor current ramps down to zero and remains at zero until another switching cycle begins.

Because the output voltage pin is also used as the supply voltage for powering internal circuitry, an external startup circuit is needed in step-down and flyback converter designs to provide initial power to the integrated circuit to begin switching. The startup circuit needed can be three discrete components, as shown in Figure 17, or a micropower undervoltage sensor, as shown in Figure 18.

### Oscillator

The oscillator frequency, is internally programmed to 100 kHz. The duty ratio of the oscillator is designed for a constant value of 0.75 nominal. Hence the nominal on-time of the power switch is:

$$t_{on} = \frac{D}{f_{osc}} = \frac{0.75}{(100 \text{ kHz})} = 7.5 \text{ }\mu\text{s}$$

### Feedback Comparator

The output voltage is sensed and fed to a high speed comparator noninverting input through an internal resistive divider. The comparator inverting input is connected to an internally trimmed to 0.7 V reference.

With a voltage mode ripple converter operating under normal conditions, output switch conduction is initiated and terminated by the oscillator, off-time is controlled by the high speed voltage feedback comparator.

#### **Driver and Output Switch**

To aid in system design flexibility and conversion efficiency, two output driver options are provided. The MC33463H–XXKT1 converters have an internal drive transistor which is capable of sinking currents greater than 60 mA into the Lx pin. An internal V<sub>Lx</sub> limiter circuit senses if the Lx pin voltage exceeds 1.0 V during t<sub>on</sub> and turns off the drive transistor. The MC33463H–XXLT1 provides output drive for an external transistor.

### Applications

The following converter applications show the simplicity and flexibility of the converter architecture. Three main converter topologies are demonstrated in Figures 15 through 19.

# Figure 15. MC33463H–50KT1 Typical Step–Up Application



Figure 16. MC33463H–50LT1 Typical Step–Up Application



## Figure 17. MC33463H–33KT1 Step–Down Application



Test	Conditions	Results
Line Regulation	$V_{in}$ = 5.0 V to 8.0 V, I <sub>O</sub> = 100 mA	18.5 mV = ±0.3%
Load Regulation	$V_{in}$ = 5.0 V, $I_O$ = 1.0 mA to 100 mA	5.7 mV = ±0.1%
Output Ripple	V <sub>in</sub> = 5.0 V, I <sub>O</sub> = 100 mA	40 mVpp
Efficiency	V <sub>in</sub> = 5.0 V, I <sub>O</sub> = 100 mA	60.3%

### Figure 18. Micropower Step–Down Application



### Figure 19. Flyback Application



Figure 20. Design Equations

Calculation	Step–Down	Step–Up	Flyback
<sup>t</sup> on	$\frac{D}{f_{osc}}$	$\frac{D}{f_{osc}}$	f_osc
L	$< t_{on} \left[ rac{(V_{in} - V_{sat} - V_{O})}{(2I_{O})}  ight]$	$< rac{(n)(V_{in})^2(t_{on})}{P_O}$	$< rac{(n)(V_{in})^2(t_{on})}{P_O}$
I <sub>L(avg)</sub>	IO	l <sub>in</sub>	lin
<sup>I</sup> L(pk)	$\frac{(V_{in} - V_{sat} - V_{O})(t_{on})}{L}$	$\frac{(V_{in} - V_{sat})(t_{on})}{L}$	$\frac{(V_{in} - V_{sat})(t_{on})}{L}$
Vripple(pp)	$\Delta I_{L} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{16f_{OSC}C_{O}} \right)^{2} + (ESR)^{2} \right]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$\approx \frac{(t_{OD})(I_{O})}{(C_{O})}$	$\approx \frac{(t_{OO})(I_{O})}{(C_{O})}$

 L
 J

 The following converter design characteristics must be chosen:

 Vin – Nominal Operating dc input voltage

 VO – Desired dc output voltage

 IO – Desired dc output current

 Vripple(pp) – Desired peak–to–peak output ripple voltage. For best performance the ripple voltage should be kept to a low value since it will directly affect line and load regulation. Capacitor CO should be a low equivalent series resistance (ESR) electrolytic designed for switching regulator applications.

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