## DC-to-DC Converter Control Circuits

The MC34063A Series is a monolithic control circuit containing the primary functions required for DC-to-DC converters. These devices consist of an internal temperature compensated reference, comparator, controlled duty cycle oscillator with an active current limit circuit, driver and high current output switch. This series was specifically designed to be incorporated in Step-Down and Step-Up and Voltage-Inverting applications with a minimum number of external components. Refer to Application Notes AN920A/D and AN954/D for additional design information.

- Operation from 3.0 V to 40 V Input
- Low Standby Current
- Current Limiting
- Output Switch Current to 1.5 A
- Output Voltage Adjustable
- Frequency Operation to 100 kHz
- Precision 2\% Reference


## DC-to-DC CONVERTER CONTROL CIRCUITS

SEMICONDUCTOR TECHNICAL DATA


PIN CONNECTIONS

(Top View)

ORDERING INFORMATION

| Device | Operating Temperature Range | Package |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MC33063AD | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=-40^{\circ}$ to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | SO-8 |
| MC33063AP1 |  | Plastic DIP |
| MC33063AVD | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=-40^{\circ}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | SO-8 |
| MC33063AVP |  | Plastic DIP |
| MC34063AD | $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=0^{\circ}$ to $+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | SO-8 |
| MC34063AP1 |  | Plastic DIP |

## MAXIMUM RATINGS

| Rating | Symbol | Value | Unit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Power Supply Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$ | 40 | Vdc |
| Comparator Input Voltage Range | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IR}}$ | -0.3 to +40 | Vdc |
| Switch Collector Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{C} \text { (switch) }}$ | 40 | Vdc |
| Switch Emitter Voltage ( $\mathrm{V}_{\text {Pin } 1}=40 \mathrm{~V}$ ) | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{E} \text { (switch) }}$ | 40 | Vdc |
| Switch Collector to Emitter Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}$ (switch) | 40 | Vdc |
| Driver Collector Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{C}}$ (driver) | 40 | Vdc |
| Driver Collector Current (Note 1) | IC(driver) | 100 | mA |
| Switch Current | IsW | 1.5 | A |
| Power Dissipation and Thermal Characteristics <br> Plastic Package, P, P1 Suffix $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ <br> Thermal Resistance <br> SOIC Package, D Suffix $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ <br> Thermal Resistance | PD <br> $\mathrm{R}_{\theta \mathrm{JA}}$ <br> PD <br> $\mathrm{R}_{\theta \mathrm{JA}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.25 \\ & 100 \\ & \\ & 625 \\ & 160 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{W} \\ { }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W} \\ \\ \mathrm{~W} \\ { }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| Operating Junction Temperature | $\mathrm{T}_{J}$ | +150 | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Operating Ambient Temperature Range $\begin{aligned} & \text { MC34063A } \\ & \text { MC33063AV } \\ & \text { MC33063A } \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{T}_{\text {A }}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 0 \text { to }+70 \\ -40 \text { to }+125 \\ -40 \text { to }+85 \end{array}$ | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| Storage Temperature Range | $\mathrm{T}_{\text {stg }}$ | -65 to +150 | ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

NOTES: 1. Maximum package power dissipation limits must be observed.
2. ESD data available upon request.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS $\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=\mathrm{T}_{\text {low }}\right.$ to $\mathrm{T}_{\text {high }}$ [Note 3], unless otherwise specified.)

| Characteristics | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

OSCILLATOR

| Frequency ( $\mathrm{V}_{\text {Pin } 5}=0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{T}}=1.0 \mathrm{nF}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) | $\mathrm{f}_{\text {Osc }}$ | 24 | 33 | 42 | kHz |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Charge Current ( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}$ to $\left.40 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ | I chg | 24 | 35 | 42 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Discharge Current ( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}$ to $40 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) | Idischg | 140 | 220 | 260 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Discharge to Charge Current Ratio (Pin 7 to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}, \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) | Idischg $/$ I ${ }_{\text {chg }}$ | 5.2 | 6.5 | 7.5 | - |
| Current Limit Sense Voltage ( ${ }_{\text {chg }}=I_{\text {dischg }}, \mathrm{T}_{\text {A }}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {ipk }}$ (sense) | 250 | 300 | 350 | mV |

## OUTPUT SWITCH (Note 4)

| Saturation Voltage, Darlington Connection (Note 5) <br> (ISW $=1.0$ A, Pins 1,8 connected) | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}$ (sat) | - | 1.0 | 1.3 | V |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Saturation Voltage, Darlington Connection <br> (ISW $=1.0 \mathrm{~A}$, RPin $8=82 \Omega$ to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$, Forced $\beta \simeq 20$ ) | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}(\mathrm{sat})$ | - | 0.45 | 0.7 | V |
| DC Current Gain (ISW $=1.0 \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) | h FE | 50 | 75 | - | - |
| Collector Off-State Current $\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CE}}=40 \mathrm{~V}\right)$ | I (off) | - | 0.01 | 100 | $\mu \mathrm{~A}$ |

NOTES: 3. $\mathrm{T}_{\text {low }}=0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for MC34063A, $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for MC33063A, AV $\quad \mathrm{T}_{\text {high }}=+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for MC34063A,$+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for MC33063A, $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for MC33063AV 4. Low duty cycle pulse techniques are used during test to maintain junction temperature as close to ambient temperature as possible.
5. If the output switch is driven into hard saturation (non-Darlington configuration) at low switch currents ( $\leq 300 \mathrm{~mA}$ ) and high driver currents ( $\geq 30 \mathrm{~mA}$ ), it may take up to $2.0 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ for it to come out of saturation. This condition will shorten the off time at frequencies $\geq 30 \mathrm{kHz}$, and is magnified at high temperatures. This condition does not occur with a Darlington configuration, since the output switch cannot saturate. If a non-Darlington configuration is used, the following output drive condition is recommended:
Forced $\beta$ of output switch : $\frac{\text { IC output }}{I_{C} \text { driver }-7.0 \mathrm{~mA}^{*}} \geq 10$
*The $100 \Omega$ resistor in the emitter of the driver device requires about 7.0 mA before the output switch conducts.

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued) $\left(\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=\mathrm{T}_{\text {low }}\right.$ to $\mathrm{T}_{\text {high }}$ [Note 3], unless otherwise specified.)

| Characteristics | Symbol | Min | Typ | Max | Unit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| COMPARATOR |  |  |  |  |  |
| Threshold Voltage $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \\ & \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=\mathrm{T}_{\text {low }} \text { to } \mathrm{T}_{\text {high }} \end{aligned}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {th }}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1.225 \\ 1.21 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 1.275 \\ 1.29 \end{gathered}$ | V |
| Threshold Voltage Line Regulation (VCC $=3.0 \mathrm{~V}$ to 40 V ) MC33063A, MC34063A MC33363AV | Regline | - | $\begin{aligned} & 1.4 \\ & 1.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5.0 \\ & 6.0 \end{aligned}$ | mV |
| Input Bias Current ( $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}=0 \mathrm{~V}$ ) | IB | - | -20 | -400 | nA |
| TOTAL DEVICE |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supply Current ( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}=5.0 \mathrm{~V}$ to $40 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{T}}=1.0 \mathrm{nF}$, Pin $7=\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{CC}}$, $V_{\text {Pin } 5}>V_{\text {th }}$, Pin $2=$ Gnd, remaining pins open) | Icc | - | - | 4.0 | mA |

NOTES: 3. $\mathrm{T}_{\text {low }}=0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for MC34063A, $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for MC33063A, $\mathrm{AV} \quad \mathrm{T}_{\text {high }}=+70^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for $\mathrm{MC} 34063 \mathrm{~A},+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for $\mathrm{MC} 33063 \mathrm{~A},+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for MC 33063 AV
4. Low duty cycle pulse techniques are used during test to maintain junction temperature as close to ambient temperature as possible.
5. If the output switch is driven into hard saturation (non-Darlington configuration) at low switch currents ( $\leq 300 \mathrm{~mA}$ ) and high driver currents ( $\geq 30 \mathrm{~mA}$ ),
it may take up to $2.0 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ for it to come out of saturation. This condition will shorten the off time at frequencies $\geq 30 \mathrm{kHz}$, and is magnified at high temperatures. This condition does not occur with a Darlington configuration, since the output switch cannot saturate. If a non-Darlington
configuration is used, the following output drive condition is recommended:
Forced $\beta$ of output switch : $\frac{I C \text { output }}{I_{C} \text { driver }-7.0 \mathrm{~mA}^{*}} \geq 10$
*The $100 \Omega$ resistor in the emitter of the driver device requires about 7.0 mA before the output switch conducts.

Figure 1. Output Switch On-Off Time versus Oscillator Timing Capacitor


Figure 2. Timing Capacitor Waveform


Figure 3. Emitter Follower Configuration Output Saturation Voltage versus Emitter Current


Figure 5. Current Limit Sense Voltage versus Temperature


Figure 4. Common Emitter Configuration Output
Switch Saturation Voltage versus
Collector Current


Figure 6. Standby Supply Current versus Supply Voltage


NOTE: 4. Low duty cycle pulse techniques are used during test to maintain junction temperature as close to ambient temperature as possible.

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Figure 7. Step-Up Converter
$\stackrel{170 \mu \mathrm{H}}{\overline{\mathrm{mm}}}$


| Test | Conditions | Results |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Line Regulation | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}=8.0 \mathrm{~V}$ to $16 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I} \mathrm{O}=175 \mathrm{~mA}$ | $30 \mathrm{mV}= \pm 0.05 \%$ |
| Load Regulation | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{O}}=75 \mathrm{~mA}$ to 175 mA | $10 \mathrm{mV}= \pm 0.017 \%$ |
| Output Ripple | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{O}}=175 \mathrm{~mA}$ | 400 mVpp |
| Efficiency | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{O}}=175 \mathrm{~mA}$ | $87.7 \%$ |
| Output Ripple With Optional Filter | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{O}}=175 \mathrm{~mA}$ | 40 mVpp |

Figure 8. External Current Boost Connections for IC Peak Greater than 1.5 A

8a. External NPN Switch

8b. External NPN Saturated Switch
(See Note 5)


NOTE: 5. If the output switch is driven into hard saturation (non-Darlington configuration) at low switch currents ( $\leq 300 \mathrm{~mA}$ ) and high driver currents ( $\geq 30 \mathrm{~mA}$ ), it may take up to $2.0 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ to come out of saturation. This condition will shorten the off time at frequencies $\geq 30 \mathrm{kHz}$, and is magnified at high temperatures. This condition does not occur with a Darlington configuration, since the output switch cannot saturate. If a non-Darlington configuration is used, the following output drive condition is recommended.

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Figure 9. Step-Down Converter


| Test | Conditions | Results |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Line Regulation | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}=15 \mathrm{~V}$ to $25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I} \mathrm{O}=500 \mathrm{~mA}$ | $12 \mathrm{mV}= \pm 0.12 \%$ |
| Load Regulation | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{in}}=25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I} \mathrm{O}=50 \mathrm{~mA}$ to 500 mA | $3.0 \mathrm{mV}= \pm 0.03 \%$ |
| Output Ripple | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{in}}=25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I} \mathrm{O}=500 \mathrm{~mA}$ | 120 mVpp |
| Short Circuit Current | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{in}}=25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{L}}=0.1 \Omega$ | 1.1 A |
| Efficiency | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{in}}=25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I} \mathrm{O}=500 \mathrm{~mA}$ | $83.7 \%$ |
| Output Ripple With Optional Filter | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}=25 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I} \mathrm{O}=500 \mathrm{~mA}$ | 40 mVpp |

Figure 10. External Current Boost Connections for IC Peak Greater than 1.5 A

10a. External NPN Switch


10b. External PNP Saturated Switch


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Figure 11. Voltage Inverting Converter


Figure 12. External Current Boost Connections for IC Peak Greater than 1.5 A

12a. External NPN Switch


12b. External PNP Saturated Switch


Figure 13. Printed Circuit Board and Component Layout
(Circuits of Figures 7, 9, 11)

(Top view, copper foil as seen through the board from the component side)

(Top View, Component Side)
*Optional Filter.

INDUCTOR DATA

| Converter | Inductance ( $\mu \mathbf{H})$ | Turns/Wire |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Step-Up | 170 | 38 Turns of \#22 AWG |
| Step-Down | 220 | 48 Turns of \#22 AWG |
| Voltage-Inverting | 88 | 28 Turns of \#22 AWG |

All inductors are wound on Magnetics Inc. 55117 toroidal core.

Figure 14. Design Formula Table

| Calculation | Step-Up | Step-Down | Voltage-Inverting |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{t}_{\text {on }} / \mathrm{t}_{\text {off }}$ | $\frac{V_{\text {out }}+V_{F}-V_{\text {in (min })}}{V_{\text {in }(\text { min })}-V_{\text {sat }}}$ | $\frac{V_{\text {out }}+V_{F}}{V_{\text {in }(\text { min })}-V_{\text {sat }}-V_{\text {out }}}$ | $\frac{\left\|V_{\text {out }}\right\|+V_{F}}{V_{\text {in }}-V_{\text {sat }}}$ |
| $\left(t_{\text {on }}+t_{\text {off }}\right)$ | $\frac{1}{f}$ | $\frac{1}{f}$ | $\frac{1}{f}$ |
| $t_{\text {off }}$ | $\frac{t_{\text {on }}+t_{\text {off }}}{\frac{t_{\text {on }}}{t_{\text {off }}}+1}$ | $\frac{t_{\text {on }}+t_{\text {off }}}{\frac{t_{\text {on }}}{t_{\text {off }}}+1}$ | $\frac{t_{\text {on }}+t_{\text {off }}}{\frac{t_{\text {on }}}{t_{\text {off }}}+1}$ |
| $\mathrm{t}_{\text {on }}$ | $\left(t_{\text {on }}+t_{\text {off }}\right)-t_{\text {off }}$ | $\left(t_{\text {on }}+t_{\text {off }}\right)-t_{\text {off }}$ | $\left(t_{\text {on }}+t_{\text {off }}\right)-t_{\text {off }}$ |
| $\mathrm{C}_{\top}$ | $4.0 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{t}_{\text {on }}$ | $4.0 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{t}_{\text {on }}$ | $4.0 \times 10^{-5} \mathrm{t}_{\text {on }}$ |
| $1 \mathrm{l} k$ (switch) | $2 \mathrm{l}_{\text {out(max }}\left(\frac{\mathrm{t}_{\text {on }}}{\mathrm{t}_{\text {off }}}+1\right)$ | ${ }^{21}{ }_{\text {out(max }}$ | $2 \mathrm{l}_{\text {out(max) }}\left(\frac{\mathrm{t}_{\text {on }}}{\mathrm{t}_{\text {off }}}+1\right)$ |
| $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{Sc}}$ | 0.3/lpk(switch) | 0.3/l pk (switch) | 0.3/l pk (switch) |
| $\mathrm{L}_{(\text {min })}$ | $\left(\frac{\left(V_{\text {in(min) }}-V_{\text {sat }}\right)}{I_{\text {pk(switch })}}\right) \mathrm{t}_{\text {on(max })}$ | $\left(\frac{\left(V_{\text {in(min) }}-V_{\text {sat }}-v_{\text {out }}\right)}{I_{\text {pk(switch }}}\right) \mathrm{t}_{\text {on(max })}$ | $\left(\frac{\left(V_{\text {in(min }}-V_{\text {sat }}\right)}{I_{\text {pk(switch })}}\right) \mathrm{t}_{\text {on(max })}$ |
| $\mathrm{Co}_{0}$ | $9 \frac{\mathrm{I}_{\text {out }} \mathrm{t}^{\mathrm{on}}}{\mathrm{~V}_{\text {ripple(pp) }}}$ | $\frac{{ }^{\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{pk}(\text { switch }}{ }^{\left(\mathrm{t}_{\text {on }}+\mathrm{t}_{\text {off }}\right)}}}{8 \mathrm{~V}_{\text {ripple }(\mathrm{pp})}}$ | $9 \frac{\mathrm{I}_{\text {out }} \mathrm{t}^{\mathrm{on}}}{\mathrm{~V}_{\text {ripple(pp) }}}$ |

$V_{\text {sat }}=$ Saturation voltage of the output switch.
$V_{F}=$ Forward voltage drop of the output rectifier.

## The following power supply characteristics must be chosen:

$V_{\text {in }}$ - Nominal input voltage.
$V_{\text {out }}$-Desired output voltage, $\left|V_{\text {out }}\right|=1.25\left(1+\frac{\mathrm{R} 2}{\mathrm{R} 1}\right)$
lout - Desired output current.
$\mathrm{f}_{\min }$ - Minimum desired output switching frequency at the selected values of $\mathrm{V}_{\text {in }}$ and $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{O}}$.
$V_{\text {ripple(pp) }}$ - Desired peak-to-peak output ripple voltage. In practice, the calculated capacitor value will need to be increased due to its equivalent series resistance and board layout. The ripple voltage should be kept to a low value since it will directly affect the line and load regulation.
NOTE: For further information refer to Application Note AN920A/D and AN954/D.

## OUTLINE DIMENSIONS



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