# Synchronous Step-Down Regulator with Ultralow Quiescent Current DESCRIPTION 

## feATURES

- Dual Step-Down Outputs: 1A Per Channel
- Wide $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}$ Range: 2.7V to 17V
- Wide $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUt }}$ Range: 0.6 V to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}$
- Up to 95\% Efficiency
- No-Load $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}=5 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ with Both Channels Enabled; $I_{0}<4 \mu A$ with Only One Channel Enabled
- High Efficiency, Low Dropout Operation (100\% Duty Cycle)
- Constant Frequency ( $1 \mathrm{MHz} / 2.25 \mathrm{MHz}$ ) with External Frequency Synchronization
- $\pm 1 \%$ Output Voltage Accuracy
- Current Mode Operation for Excellent Line and Load Transient Response
- Phase Shift Programmable with External Clock
- Selectable Current Limit
- Internal Compensation and Soft-Start
- Compact 14-Pin DFN ( $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) and 16-Lead MSOP Packages


## APPLICATIONS

- Battery Powered Systems
- Point-of-Load Supplies
- Portable - Handheld Scanners

The LTC ${ }^{\circledR} 3622$ is a dual 1 A output, high efficiency synchronous monolithic step-down regulator capable of operating from input supplies up to 17 V . The switching frequency is fixed to 1 MHz or 2.25 MHz with a $\pm 50 \%$ synchronization range to an external clock. The regulator features ultralow quiescent current and high efficiency over a wide output voltage range.

The step-down regulators operate from an input voltage range of 2.7 V to 17 V and provide an adjustable output from 0.6 V to $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ while delivering up to 1 A of output current. A user-selectable mode input is provided to allow the user to trade off ripple noise for light load efficiency. Burst Mode ${ }^{\circledR}$ operation provides the highest efficiency at light loads, while pulse-skipping mode provides the lowest ripple noise. The switching regulators can be synchronized to an external clock. Furthermore, fixed $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ options are available to eliminate the external feedback resistors.

List of LTC3622 Options

| PART NAME | FREQUENCY | V |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| OUT |  |  |
| LTC3622 | 1.00 MHz | Adjustable |
| LTC3622-2 | 2.25 MHz | Adjustable |
| LTC3622-23/5 | 2.25 MHZ | $5 \mathrm{~V} / 3.3 \mathrm{~V}$ |

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## ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS (Note 1)

$\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}, \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2, }}$ SV $_{\text {IN }}$ (MSOP Only) (Note 2)<br>. 0.3 V to 17 V<br>RUN1, RUN2<br>$\qquad$ -0.3 V to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN} 1}$<br>MODE/SYNC, FB1, FB2<br>$\qquad$<br>$\qquad$ -0.3 V to 6 V<br>PGO0D1, PG00D2, ILIM, PHASE<br>$\qquad$ -0.3V to 6V

Operating Junction Temperature Range (Note 3)
LTC3622E $\qquad$ $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
LTC3622| $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
LTC3622H $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Storage Temperature Range .................. $65^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$

## PIn CONFIGURATION



DE PACKAGE
14-LEAD ( $4 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) PLASTIC DFN
$T_{J M A X}=150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, \theta_{\mathrm{JA}}=40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}, \theta_{\mathrm{JC}}=4.4^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$ EXPOSED PAD (PIN 15) IS GND, MUST BE SOLDERED TO PCB

$T_{J M A X}=150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}, \theta_{\mathrm{JA}}=40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}, \theta_{\mathrm{JC}}=10^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$ EXPOSED PAD (PIN 17) IS GND, MUST BE SOLDERED TO PCB

## ORDER INFORMATION

| LEAD FREE FINISH | TAPE AND REEL | PART MARKING* | PACKAGE DESCRIPTION | TEMPERATURE RANGE |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| LTC3622EDE\#PBF | LTC3622EDE\#TRPBF | 3622 | $14-$ Lead ( $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622IDE\#PBF | LTC3622IDE\#TRPBF | 3622 | $14-$ Lead ( $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622HDE\#PBF | LTC3622HDE\#TRPBF | 3622 | $14-$ Lead ( $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ ) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622EMSE\#PBF | LTC3622EMSE\#TRPBF | 3622 | $16-$ Lead Plastic MSOP | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622IMSE\#PBF | LTC3622IMSE\#TRPBF | 3622 | $16-$ Lead Plastic MSOP | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622HMSE\#PBF | LTC3622HMSE\#TRPBF | 3622 | $16-$ Lead Plastic MSOP | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622EDE-2\#PBF | LTC3622EDE-2\#TRPBF | 36222 | $14-$ Lead (3mm x 4mm) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622IDE-2\#PBF | LTC3622IDE-2\#TRPBF | 36222 | $14-$ Lead (3mm x 4mm) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622HDE-2\#PBF | LTC3622HDE-2\#TRPBF | 36222 | $14-$ Lead (3mm x 4mm) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622EMSE-2\#PBF | LTC3622EMSE-2\#TRPBF | 36222 | $16-$ Lead Plastic MSOP | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622IMSE-2\#PBF | LTC3622IMSE-2\#TRPBF | 36222 | $16-$ Lead Plastic MSOP | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622HMSE-2\#PBF | LTC3622HMSE-2\#TRPBF | 36222 | $16-$ Lead Plastic MSOP | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622EDE-23/5\#PBF | LTC3622EDE-23/5\#TRPBF | $223 / 5$ | $14-$ Lead (3mm x 4mm) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622IDE-23/5\#PBF | LTC3622IDE-23/5\#TRPBF | $223 / 5$ | $14-$ Lead (3mm x 4mm) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |
| LTC3622HDE-23/5\#PBF | LTC3622HDE-23/5\#TRPBF | $223 / 5$ | $14-$ Lead (3mm x 4mm) Plastic DFN | $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |

[^0]Tape and reel specifications. Some packages are available in 500 unit reels through designated sales channels with \#TRMPBF suffix.

## LTC3622-2/LTC3622-23/5

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS The denotes the specifications which apply over the specified operating


| SYMBOL | PARAMETER | CONDITIONS |  | MIN | TYP | MAX | UNITS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}, \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$ Operating Voltage |  |  | 2.7 |  | 17 | V |
|  | SV IN Operating Voltage | MSOP Package |  | 2.7 |  | 17 | V |
|  | V OUT Operating Voltage |  |  | 0.6 |  | V IN | V |
| $\mathrm{I}_{Q}$ | Input Quiescent Current | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Active Mode, } \text { V RUN1 }=V_{\text {RUN2 }}=2 \mathrm{~V}(\text { Note 4) } \\ & \text { Burst Mode Operation, } V_{\text {RUN1 }}=V_{\text {RUN2 }}=2 \mathrm{~V} \text {, } \\ & \text { MODE/SYNC }=3 \mathrm{~V} \text {, No Load } \\ & \text { Shutdown Mode; } \text { V }_{\text {RUN1 }}=V_{\text {RUN2 }}=0 \mathrm{~V} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 3 \\ 5 \\ 0.1 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & \pm 1 \end{aligned}$ | mA $\mu \mathrm{A}$ $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| $V_{\text {FB }}$ | Regulated Feedback Voltage | LTC3622/LTC3622-2 | $\bullet$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.594 \\ & 0.591 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.6 \\ & 0.6 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.606 \\ & 0.609 \end{aligned}$ | V |
| $\mathrm{I}_{\text {FB }}$ | FB Input Current | LTC3622/LTC3622-2 |  |  |  | 10 | nA |
| $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT1 }}$ | Regulated Fixed Output Voltage (Channel 1) | LTC3622-23/5 | $\bullet$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.950 \\ & 4.925 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5.0 \\ & 5.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 5.050 \\ & 5.075 \end{aligned}$ | V |
| $V_{\text {OUT2 }}$ | Regulated Fixed Output Voltage (Channel 2) | LTC3622-23/5 | $\bullet$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 3.267 \\ & 3.250 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3.3 \\ & 3.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 3.333 \\ & 3.350 \end{aligned}$ | V |
| $\underline{\text { IFB(VOUT) }}$ | Feedback Input Leakage Current | LTC3622-23/5 |  |  | 1 | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
|  | Reference Voltage Line Regulation | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=2.7 \mathrm{~V}$ to 17V (Note 5) |  |  | 0.01 | 0.015 | \%/V |
|  | Output Voltage Load Regulation | (Note 5) |  |  | 0.1 |  | \% |
|  | NMOS Switch Leakage PMOS Switch Leakage |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.1 \\ & 0.1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{DS} \text { (0N) }}$ | NMOS On-Resistance PMOS On-Resistance | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 0.15 \\ & 0.37 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\Omega$ $\Omega$ |
|  | Maximum Duty Cycle | $V_{F B}=0 \mathrm{~V}$ | $\bullet$ |  | 100 |  | \% |
| $\mathrm{t}_{\text {ON(MIN })}$ | Minimum On-Time | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{FB}}=0.7 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\mathrm{IN} 1}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}=5$ |  |  | 75 |  | ns |
| VRUN | RUN Input High RUN Input Low |  |  | 0.35 |  | 1.0 | V |
|  | RUN Input Current | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {RUN }}=12 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | 0.1 | $\pm 20$ | nA |
| VMODE | Pulse-Skipping Mode Burst Mode Operation |  |  | $V_{\text {Intvec }}-0.4$ |  | 0.15 | V |
|  | PHASE Input Threshold | Input Low Input High |  | 2.0 |  | 0.4 | V |
|  | LIIM Input Threshold | Input Low Input High |  | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {INTVCC }}-0.1$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 0.1 \\ \text { INTV }_{\text {CC }} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | V |
| $\mathrm{t}_{\text {SS }}$ | Soft Start Time |  |  |  | 0.5 |  | ms |
| ILIM | Peak Current Limit | $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}>5 \mathrm{~V}$ <br> $\mathrm{V}_{\text {ILIM }}=0.1 \mathrm{~V}$ (Both Channels) <br> $V_{\text {ILIM }}=$ INTV CC -0.1 V (Both Channels) <br> $\mathrm{V}_{\text {ILIM }}=$ Floating, Channel 1 <br> VILIM $=$ Floating, Channel 2 |  | $\begin{array}{r} 1.6 \\ 0.8 \\ 1.6 \\ 0.8 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.8 \\ & 1.0 \\ & 1.8 \\ & 1.0 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.0 \\ & 1.2 \\ & 2.0 \\ & 1.2 \end{aligned}$ | A |
|  | $V_{\text {INTVCC }}$ Undervoltage Lockout | $V_{\text {IN }}$ Ramping Up |  | 2.3 | 2.5 | 2.65 | V |
|  | $V_{\text {InTVCc }}$ Undervoltage Lockout Hysteresis |  |  |  | 160 |  | mV |
|  | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ Overvoltage Lockout Rising |  | $\bullet$ | 18 | 19 | 20 | V |
|  | VIN Overvoltage Lockout Hysteresis |  |  |  | 300 |  | mV |

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| $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{OSC}}$ | Oscillator Frequency | LTC3622-2/LTC3622-23/5 $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \leq \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}} \leq 150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ <br> LTC3622 $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \leq \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}} \leq 125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ <br> LTC3622 $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \leq \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}} \leq 150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $\stackrel{\bullet}{0}$ | $\begin{gathered} 1.8 \\ 0.82 \\ 0.75 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.25 \\ & 1.00 \\ & 1.00 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 2.6 \\ 1.16 \\ 1.16 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{MHz} \\ & \mathrm{MHz} \\ & \mathrm{MHz} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
|  | External CLK Amplitude |  |  | 0.4 |  | $V_{\text {INTVCC }}-0.3$ | V |
|  | SYNC Capture Range | \% of Programmed Frequency |  | 50 |  | 150 | \% |
| V IntVcc | INTV ${ }_{\text {CC }}$ Voltage |  |  | 3.3 | 3.6 | 3.9 | V |
|  | Power Good Range | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}>4 \mathrm{~V}$ |  |  | -7.5 | -11 | \% |
| RPG00D | Power Good Resistance | PGOOD R ${ }_{\text {DS(ON) }}$ at 2mA |  |  | 275 | 350 | $\Omega$ |
| tPGOOD | PGOOD Delay | $\begin{aligned} & \text { PGOOD Low to High } \\ & \text { PGOOD High to Low } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline 0 \\ 32 \end{gathered}$ |  | Cycles Cycles |
|  | Phase Shift Between Channel 1 and Channel 2 | $\begin{aligned} & V_{\text {PHASE }}=0 \mathrm{~V} \\ & V_{\text {PHASE }}=I N T V_{\text {CC }}, V_{\text {MODE/SYNC }}=0 \mathrm{~V} \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 0 \\ 180 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Deg } \\ & \text { Deg } \end{aligned}$ |

Note 1: Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. Exposure to any Absolute Maximum Rating condition for extended periods may affect device reliability and lifetime.
Note 2. Transient Absolute Maximum Voltages should not be applied for more than $4 \%$ of the switching duty cycle.
Note 3. The LTC3622 is tested under pulsed load conditions such that $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{J}} \approx \mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}$. The LTC3622E is guaranteed to meet specified performance from $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Specifications over the $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ operating junction temperature range are assured by design, characterization and correlation with statistical process controls. The LTC3622I is guaranteed over the $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ operating junction temperature range and the LTC3622H is guaranteed over the $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $150^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ operating junction temperature
range. High junction temperatures degrade operating lifetimes; operating lifetime is derated for junction temperatures greater than $125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Note that the maximum ambient temperature consistent with these specifications is determined by specific operating conditions in conjunction with board layout, the rated package thermal impedance and other environment factors.
Note 4. The quiescent current in active mode does not include switching loss of the power FETs.
Note 5. The LTC3622 is tested in a proprietary test mode that connects $V_{F B}$ to the output of error amplifier.
Note 6. $T_{J}$ is calculated from the ambient $T_{A}$ and power dissipation $P_{D}$ according to the following formula: $T_{J}=T_{A}+\left(P_{D} \bullet \theta_{J A}\right)$

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTGRISTICS $v_{W 1}=v_{W 2}=12 v, T_{A}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise noted.



[^1]Pulse-Skipping Mode Operation

$\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=12 \mathrm{~V}$
$V_{\text {OUT }}=2.5 \mathrm{~V}$
PULSE-SKIPPING MODE
IOUT $=10 \mathrm{~mA}$

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Sync Mode Out-Of-Phase



## PIn FUOCTIONS (DFN/MSOP)

VIN1 (Pin 1/Pin 1): Input Voltage of Channel 1 Step-Down Regulator. This input also powers the INTV ${ }_{C C}$ LDO.
PG00D1 (Pin 2/Pin 3): Open Drain Power Good Indicator for Channel 1.

MODE/SYNC (Pin 3/Pin 4): Burst Mode Select and External Clock Synchronization of the Step-Down Regulator. Tie MODE/SYNC to INTV ${ }_{C C}$ for Burst Mode operation with a 400mA peak current clamp. Tie MODE/SYNC to GND for pulse-skipping operation. Furthermore, connecting this pin to an external clock will synchronize the switch clock to the external clock and put the part in pulse-skipping mode.

PHASE (Pin 4/Pin 5): Phase Select Pin. Tie this pin to ground to run the regulators in phase ( $0^{\circ}$ phase shift) between SW rising edge of channel 1 and channel 2 . Tie this pin to INTV ${ }_{\text {CC }}$ to set $180^{\circ}$ phase shift between channels. When this pin is high, the phase shift may also be set by modulating the duty cycle of external clock on the MODE/SYNC pin (channel 1 edge synced to rising edge of external clock, channel 2 edge synced to falling edge of external clock). See Applications section for more details.

PGOOD2 (Pin 5/Pin 6): Open Drain Power Good Indicator for Channel 2.

ILIM (Pin 6/Pin 7): Current Limit Select Pin. Tying this pin to ground sets the full current limit for both channels. Tying this pin to INTV ${ }_{C C}$ drops the current limit by a factor of 2 for both channels. Biasing this pin to 1 V sets the current on channel 1 to be the full amount, and the current on channel 2 to be dropped by a factor of 2 .
VIN2 (Pin 7/Pin 8): Input Voltage of Channel 2 Step-Down Regulator. May be a different voltage than $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}$.
SW2 (Pin 8/Pin 9): Switch Node Connection to the Inductor of Channel 2 Step-Down Regulator.

RUN2 (Pin 9/Pin 10): Logic Controlled RUN Input to Channel 2. Do not leave this pin floating. Logic high activates the step-down regulator.
FB2 (Pin 10/Pin 11): Feedback Input to the Error Amplifier of Channel2 Step-Down Regulator. Connect resistordivider tap to this pin. The output voltage can be adjusted from 0.6 V to $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ by: $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=0.6 \mathrm{~V} \bullet[1+(\mathrm{R} 2 / \mathrm{R} 1)]$. (Figure 2) For fixed $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUt }}$ options, connect the FB pin directly to $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$.
INTV $_{\text {CC }}$ (Pin 11/Pin 12): Low Dropout Regulator. Bypass with a low ESR capacitor of at least $1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ to ground.
FB1 (Pin 12/Pin 13): Feedback Input to the Error Amplifier of Channel 1 Step-Down Regulator. Connect resistordivider tap to this pin. The output voltage can be adjusted from 0.6 V to $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ by: $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=0.6 \mathrm{~V} \bullet[1+(\mathrm{R} 2 / \mathrm{R} 1)]$. (Figure 2) For fixed $V_{\text {OUT }}$ options, connect the FB pin directly to $V_{\text {OUT }}$.
RUN1 (Pin 13/Pin 14): Logic Controlled RUN Input to Channel 1. Do not leave this pin floating. Logic high activates the step-down regulator.
SW1 (Pin 14/Pin 16): Switch Node Connection to the Inductor of Channel 1 Step-Down Regulator.
GND (Pin 15/Pin 17): Ground forPower and Signal Ground. The exposed pad must be connected to PCB ground for rated electrical and rated thermal performance.
SV ${ }_{\text {IN }}$ (NA/Pin 2): Signal $V_{\text {IN }}$ Pin. This input powers the $I_{N T V}$ CC. May be a different voltage than either $V_{\text {IN1 }}$ or $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$. Connect $\mathrm{SV}_{\text {IN }}$ to either $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}$ or $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$, whichever one is higher. For applications where it is not known which $V_{\text {IN }}$ is higher, connect external diode between $\mathrm{SV}_{\text {IN }}$ to both $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$ to ensure that $S V_{\text {IN }}$ is less than a diode drop from the higher of $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}$ or $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$.

## BLOCK DIAGRAM



## operation

The LTC3622 is a dual high efficiency monolithic stepdown regulator, which uses a constant frequency, peak current mode architecture. It operates through a wide $V_{\text {IN }}$ range and regulates with ultralow quiescent current. The operation frequency is set at either 2.25 MHz or 1 MHz and can be synchronized to an external oscillator $\pm 50 \%$ of the inherent frequency. To suit a variety of applications, the selectable MODE/SYNC pin allows the user to trade off output ripple for efficiency.
For each channel, the output voltage is set by an external divider returned to the FB pin. An error amplifier compares the divided output voltage with a reference voltage of 0.6 V and adjusts the peak inductor current accordingly. Overvoltage and undervoltage comparators will pull the PGOOD output low if the output voltage is not within $7.5 \%$ of the programmed value. The PGOOD output will go high immediately after achieving regulation and will go low 32 clock cycles after falling out of regulation.

## Main Control Loop

During normal operation, the top power switch (P-channel MOSFET) is turned on at the beginning of a clock cycle. The inductor current is allowed to ramp up to a peak level. Once the level is reached, the top power switch is turned off and the bottom switch ( N -channel MOSFET) is turned on until the next clock cycle. The peak current level is controlled by the internally compensated $I_{T H}$ voltage, which is the output of the error amplifier. This amplifier compares the FB voltage to the 0.6 V internal reference. When the load current increases, the FB voltage decreases slightly below the reference, which causes the error amplifier to increase the $I_{T H}$ voltage until the average inductor current matches the new load current.
The main control loop is shut down by pulling the RUN pin to ground.

## Low Current Operation

Two discontinuous conduction modes (DCM) are available to control the operation of the LTC3622 at low currents. Both modes, Burst Mode operation and pulse-skipping mode, automatically switch from continuous operation to the selected mode when the load current is low.
To optimize efficiency, Burst Mode operation can be selected by tying the MODE/SYNC pin to INTV ${ }_{\text {CC. }}$. In Burst Mode operation, the peak inductor current is set to be at least 400 mA , even if the output of the error amplifier demands less. Thus, when the switcher is on at relatively light output loads, FB voltage will rise and cause the $I_{T H}$ voltage to drop. Once the $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{TH}}$ voltage drops low enough, the switchergoes into sleep mode with both power switches off. The switchers remain in this sleep state until the external load pulls the output voltage below its regulation point. When both channels are in sleep mode, the part draws an ultralow $5 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ of quiescent current from $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}$.
To minimize $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ ripple, pulse-skipping mode can be selected by grounding the MODE/SYNC pin. In LTC3622, pulse-skipping mode is implemented similarly to Burst Mode operation with the peak inductor current set to be at above 66 mA . This results in lower ripple than in Burst Mode operation with the trade-off being slightly lower efficiency.

## High Duty Cycle/Dropout Operation

When the input supply voltage decreases towards the output voltage, the duty cycle increases and slope compensation is required to maintain the fixed switching frequency. The LTC3622 has internal circuitry to accurately maintain the peak current limit (llim) of 1.8 A even at high duty cycles.
As the duty cycle approaches 100\%, the LTC3622 enters dropout operation. During dropout, the part will transition in and out of sleep mode depending on the output load current. This significantly reduces the quiescent current, thus prolonging the use of the input supply.

## operation

## $V_{\text {IN }}$ Overvoltage Protection

In order to protect the internal power MOSFET devices against transient voltage events, the LTC3622 constantly monitors the $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$ pins for an overvoltage condition. When $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}$ or $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$ rise above 18.5 V , both regulators suspend operation by shutting off both power MOSFETs. Once $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ drops below 18.2V, the regulator immediately resumes normal operation. The regulators execute softstart when exiting an overvoltage condition.

## Low Supply Operation

The LTC3622 incorporates undervoltage lockout circuits which shut down the part when the input voltages drop below 2.5 V . As the input voltages rise slightly above the undervoltage threshold, the switchers will begin basic operation. However, the $R_{D S(O N)}$ of the top and bottom switch of each channel will be slightly higher than that specified in the electrical characteristics due to lack of gate drive. Refer to graph of $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{DS}(O N)}$ versus $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ for more details.

## Phase Selection

The two channels of LTC3622 can operate in phase, $180^{\circ}$ out-of-phase (anti-phase) depending on the state of PHASE pin- low, or high, respectively. Anti-phase generally reduces input voltage and current ripple. Crosstalk between switch nodes SW1, SW2 and components or sensitive lines connected to FBx, can sometimes cause unstable switching waveforms and unexpectedly large input and output voltage ripple.
The situation improves if rising and falling edges of the switch nodes are timed carefully not to coincide. Depending on the duty cycle of the two channels, choose the phase difference between the channels to keep edges as far away from each other as possible.

Crosstalk can generally be avoided by carefully choosing the phase shift such that the SW edges do not coincide. However, there are often situations where this is unavoidable, such as when both channels are operating at near $50 \%$ duty cycle. In such cases, the optimized phase shift can be set by modulating the duty cycle of external clock on the MODE/SYNC pin (channel 1 edge synced to rising edge of external clock, channel 2 edge synced to falling edge of external clock), while keeping the PHASE pin voltage high. Figure 1 shows a $90^{\circ}$ phase shifting between two channels. Table 1 shows the phase selection by the PHASE pin.


Figure 1. $90^{\circ}$ Phase Shift Set by External Clock

Table 1. Phase Selection

|  | NO EXTERNAL CLK | EXTERNAL CLK |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| PHASE $=0$ | $0^{\circ}$ Phase Shift | $0^{\circ}$ Phase Shift |
| PHASE $=$ INTV $_{\text {CC }}$ | $180^{\circ}$ Phase Shift | Phase Shift Determined by <br> Clock Edges |

## Soft-Start

The LTC3622 has a $500 \mu$ s soft-start ramp for each channel when enabled. During soft-start operation, the switchers operate in pulse-skipping mode.

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## Output Voltage Programming

For non-fixed output voltage parts, the output voltage is set by external resistive dividers according to the following equation:

$$
\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=0.6 \mathrm{~V} \cdot\left(1+\frac{\mathrm{R} 2}{\mathrm{R} 1}\right)
$$

The resistive divider allows the FB pin to sense a fraction of the output voltage as shown in Figure 2.

For fixed $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ parts, tie FB directly to $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$, as R2 and R1 are matched internal resistors.


Figure 2. Setting the Output Voltage

## Input Capacitor ( $\mathbf{C}_{\mathrm{IN}}$ ) Selection

The input capacitance, $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{IN}^{\prime}}$, is needed to filter the square wave current at the drain of the top power MOSFET. To prevent large voltage transients from occurring, a low ESR input capacitor sized for the maximum RMS current should be used. The RMS current calculation is different if the part is used in in-phase or out-of-phase.
For "in phase", when $V_{\text {OUT1 }}=V_{\text {OUT2 }}$

$$
\frac{\sqrt{V_{\text {OUT }}\left(V_{I N}-V_{\text {OUT }}\right)}}{V_{I N}}
$$

This formula has a maximum at $\mathrm{V}_{I N}=2 \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT }}$. This simple worst case is commonly used to determine the highest $I_{\text {RMS }}$.
For out-of-phase case, the ripple current can be lower than the "in phase" current. The maximum current typically occurs when $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT1 }}-\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} / 2=\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT2 }}$ or when $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT2 }}-\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} / 2$ $=V_{\text {OUT1 }}$. As a good rule of thumb, the amount of worst case ripple is about $75 \%$ of the worst case ripple in the in-phase mode. Also note that when $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT1 }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT2 }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }} / 2$ and $\mathrm{I} 1=\mathrm{I} 2$, the input current ripple is at its minimum.

Note that ripple current ratings from capacitor manufacturers are often based on only 2000 hours of life which makes it advisable to further derate the capacitor, or choose a capacitor rated at a higher temperature than required. Several capacitors may also be paralleled to meet size or height requirements in the design. For low input voltage applications, sufficient bulk input capacitance may be needed to minimize transient effects during output load changes.

## Output Capacitor ( $\mathrm{C}_{\text {Out }}$ ) Selection

The selection of $\mathrm{C}_{\text {OUT }}$ is determined by the effective series resistance (ESR) that is required to minimize voltage ripple and load step transients as well as the amount of bulk capacitance that is necessary to ensure that the control loop is stable. Loop stability can be checked by viewing the load transient response. The output ripple, $\Delta V_{0 U T}$, is determined by:

$$
\Delta \mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}<\Delta \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}}\left(\frac{1}{8 \cdot f \cdot \mathrm{C}_{O U T}}+\mathrm{ESR}\right)
$$

The output ripple is highest at maximum input voltage since $\Delta_{L}$ increases with input voltage. Multiple capacitors placed in parallel may be needed to meet the ESR and RMS current handling requirements. Dry tantalum, special polymer and hybrid conductive polymer capacitors are very low ESR but have lower capacitance density than other types. Tantalum capacitors have the highest capacitance density but it is importance to only use types that have been surge tested for use in switching power supplies. Aluminum electrolytic capacitors have significantly higher ESR, but can be used in cost-sensitive applications provided that consideration is given to ripple current ratings and long-term reliability. Ceramic capacitors have excellent low ESR characteristics and small footprints.

## Using Ceramic Input and Output Capacitors

Higher capacitance value, lower cost ceramic capacitors are now becoming available in smaller case sizes. Their high ripple current, high voltage rating and low ESR make them ideal for switching regulator applications. However, care must be taken when these capacitors are used at the input and output. When a ceramic capacitor is used

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at the input and the power is supplied by a wall adapter through long wires, a load step at the output can induce ringing at the $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ input. At best, this ringing can couple to the output and be mistaken as loop instability. At worst, a sudden inrush of current through the long wires can potentially cause a voltage spike at $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ large enough to damage the part.

When choosing the input and output ceramic capacitors, choose the X5R and X7R dielectric formulations. These dielectrics have the best temperature and voltage characteristics of all the ceramics for a given value and size.
Since the ESR of a ceramic capacitor is so low, the input and output capacitor must instead fulfill a charge storage requirement. During a load step, the output capacitor must instantaneously supply the current to support the load until the feedback loop raises the switch current enough to support the load. Typically, five cycles are required to respond to a load step, but only in the first cycle does the output voltage drop linearly. The output droop, $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{DROOP}}$, is usually about three times the linear drop of the first cycle.

Thus, a good place to start with the output capacitor value is approximately:

$$
\mathrm{C}_{\text {OUT }}=3 \frac{\Delta \mathrm{I}_{\text {OUT }}}{f_{0} \cdot \mathrm{~V}_{\text {DROOP }}}
$$

More capacitance may be required depending on the duty cycle and load step requirements. In most applications, the input capacitor is merely required to supply high frequency bypassing, since the impedance to the supply is very low. A $10 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ceramic capacitor is usually enough for these conditions. Place this input capacitor as close to the $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN} 1}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$ pins as possible.

## Output Power Good

When the LTC3622's output voltages are within the $\pm 7.5 \%$ window of the regulation point, the output voltages are good and the PGOOD pins are pulled high with external resistors. Otherwise, internal open-drain pull-down devices (275 ) will pull the PGOOD pins low. To prevent unwanted PGOOD glitches during transients or dynamic $V_{\text {OUT }}$ changes, the LTC3622's PGOOD falling edge includes a blanking delay of approximately 32 switching cycles.

## Frequency Synchronization Capability

The LTC3622 has the capability to synchronize to a $\pm 50 \%$ range of the internal programmed frequency. It takes several cycles of external clock to engage the sync mode, and roughly $2 \mu$ s for the part to detect the absence of the external clock signal. Once engaged in sync, the LTC3622 immediately runs at the external clock frequency.

## Inductor Selection

Given the desired input and output voltages, the inductor value and operating frequency determine the ripple current:

$$
\Delta I_{\mathrm{L}}=\frac{\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}}{f \bullet \mathrm{~L}}\left(1-\frac{\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}}{\mathrm{V}_{\operatorname{IN}(\mathrm{MAX})}}\right)
$$

Lower ripple current reduces power losses in the inductor, ESR losses in the output capacitors and output voltage ripple. Highest efficiency operation is obtained at low frequency with small ripple current. However, achieving this requires a large inductor. There is a trade-off between component size, efficiency and operating frequency.
A reasonable starting point is to choose a ripple current that is about $50 \%$ of IOUT(MAX). To guarantee that ripple current does not exceed a specified maximum, the inductance should be chosen according to:

$$
\mathrm{L}=\frac{\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}}{f \cdot \Delta \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L}(\mathrm{MAX})}}\left(1-\frac{\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}}{\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN(MAX })}}\right)
$$

Once the value for $L$ is known, the type of inductor must be selected. Actual core loss is independent of core size for a fixed inductor value, but is very dependent on the inductance selected. As the inductance or frequency increases, core loss decreases. Unfortunately, increased inductance requires more turns of wire and therefore copper losses increase.
Ferrite designs have very low core losses and are preferred at high switching frequencies, so design goals can concentrate on copper loss and preventing saturation. Ferrite core material saturates "hard," which means that inductance collapses abruptly when the peak design current is exceeded. This results in an abrupt increase in inductor

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ripple current and consequent output voltage ripple. Do not allow the core to saturate!

Different core materials and shapes change the size/current and price/current relationship of an inductor. Toroid or shielded pot cores in ferrite or permalloy materials are small and don't radiate much energy, but generally cost more than powdered iron core inductors with similar characteristics. The choice of which style inductor to use mainly depends on the price versus size requirements and any radiated field/EMI requirements. New designs for
surface mount inductors are available from Toko, Vishay, NEC/Tokin, Cooper, TDK and Würth Elektronik. Refer to Table 2. for more details.

## Checking Transient Response

The regulator loop response can be checked by looking at the load transient response. Switching regulators take several cycles to respond to a step in load current. When a load step occurs, VOUT immediately shifts by an amount equal to the $\Delta I_{\text {LOAD }} \bullet E S R$, where $E S R$ is the effective series

Table 2. Inductor Selection Table

| INDUCTOR | INDUCTANCE $(\mu \mathrm{H})$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DCR } \\ & (\mathrm{m} \Omega) \end{aligned}$ | MAX CURRENT <br> (A) | DIMENSIONS (mm) | HEIGHT (mm) | MANUFACTURER |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| IHLP-1616BZ-11 Series | $\begin{aligned} & 1.0 \\ & 2.2 \\ & 4.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & 61 \\ & 95 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 4.5 \\ 3.25 \\ 1.7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.3 \times 4.7 \\ & 4.3 \times 4.7 \\ & 4.3 \times 4.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | Vishay www.vishay.com |
| IHLP-2020BZ-01 Series | $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ 2.2 \\ 3.3 \\ 4.7 \\ 5.6 \\ 6.8 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 18.9 \\ & 45.6 \\ & 79.2 \\ & 108 \\ & 113 \\ & 139 \end{aligned}$ | 7 4.2 3.3 2.8 2.5 2.4 | $\begin{aligned} & 5.4 \times 5.7 \\ & 5.4 \times 5.7 \\ & 5.4 \times 5.7 \\ & 5.4 \times 5.7 \\ & 5.4 \times 5.7 \\ & 5.4 \times 5.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| FDV0620 Series | $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ 2.2 \\ 3.3 \\ 4.7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 18 \\ & 37 \\ & 51 \\ & 68 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 5.7 \\ 4 \\ 3.2 \\ 2.8 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 6.7 \times 7.4 \\ & 6.7 \times 7.4 \\ & 6.7 \times 7.4 \\ & 6.7 \times 7.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | Toko www.toko.com |
| MPLC0525L Series | $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ 1.5 \\ 2.2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & 24 \\ & 40 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6.4 \\ & 5.2 \\ & 4.1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6.2 \times 5.4 \\ & 6.2 \times 5.4 \\ & 6.2 \times 5.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.5 \\ & 2.5 \\ & 2.5 \end{aligned}$ | NEC/Tokin www.nec-tokin.com |
| HCM0703 Series | $\begin{gathered} 1 \\ 1.5 \\ 2.2 \\ 3.3 \\ 4.7 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hline 9 \\ 14 \\ 18 \\ 28 \\ 37 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 11 \\ 9 \\ 8 \\ 6 \\ 6 \\ 5.5 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7 \times 7.4 \\ & 7 \times 7.4 \\ & 7 \times 7.4 \\ & 7 \times 7.4 \\ & 7 \times 7.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Cooper Bussmann www.cooperbussmann.com |
| RLF7030 Series | $\begin{gathered} \hline 1 \\ 1.5 \\ 2.2 \\ 3.3 \\ 4.7 \\ 6.8 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8.8 \\ & 9.6 \\ & 12 \\ & 20 \\ & 31 \\ & 45 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6.4 \\ & 6.1 \\ & 5.4 \\ & 4.1 \\ & 3.4 \\ & 2.8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 6.9 \times 7.3 \\ & 6.9 \times 7.3 \\ & 6.9 \times 7.3 \\ & 6.9 \times 7.3 \\ & 6.9 \times 7.3 \\ & 6.9 \times 7.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3.2 \\ & 3.2 \\ & 3.2 \\ & 3.2 \\ & 3.2 \\ & 3.2 \end{aligned}$ | TDK www.tdk.com |
| WE-TPC 4828 Series | $\begin{aligned} & 1.2 \\ & 1.8 \\ & 2.2 \\ & 2.7 \\ & 3.3 \\ & 3.9 \\ & 4.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 20 \\ & 23 \\ & 27 \\ & 30 \\ & 47 \\ & 52 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline 3.1 \\ & 2.7 \\ & 2.5 \\ & 2.35 \\ & 2.15 \\ & 1.72 \\ & 1.55 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.8 \times 4.8 \\ & 4.8 \times 4.8 \\ & 4.8 \times 4.8 \\ & 4.8 \times 4.8 \\ & 4.8 \times 4.8 \\ & 4.8 \times 4.8 \\ & 4.8 \times 4.8 \end{aligned}$ | 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 2.8 | Würth Elektronik www.we-online.com |
| XFL4020 Series | $\begin{aligned} & 1.0 \\ & 1.5 \\ & 2.2 \\ & 3.3 \\ & 4.7 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 10.8 \\ 14.4 \\ 21.35 \\ 34.8 \\ 52.2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 8 \\ 6.7 \\ 6.0 \\ 3.9 \\ 3.6 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4 \times 4 \\ & 4 \times 4 \\ & 4 \times 4 \\ & 4 \times 4 \\ & 4 \times 4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 2 \end{aligned}$ | Coilcraft www.coilcraft.com |

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resistance of $\mathrm{C}_{\text {OUT }}$. $\mathrm{I}_{\text {LOAD }}$ also begins to charge or discharge $\mathrm{C}_{\text {OUT }}$ generating a feedback error signal used by the regulator to return $V_{\text {OUT }}$ to its steady state value. During this recovery time, VOUT can be monitored for overshoot or ringing that indicates a stability problem.
The initial output voltage step may not be within the bandwidth of the feedback loop, so the standard second order overshoot/DC ratio cannot be used to determine phase margin. In addition, a feedforward capacitor can be added to improve the high frequency response, shown in Figure 2. Capacitor $\mathrm{C}_{\text {FF }}$ provides phase lead by creating a high frequency zero with R2, which improves the phase margin.

The output voltage settling behavior is related to the stability of the closed-loop system and demonstrates the actual overall supply performance. For a detailed explanation of optimizing the compensation components, including a review of control loop theory, refer to Application Note 76.

In someapplications, a more severe transient can be caused by switching in loads with large ( $>1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ) input capacitors. The discharge input capacitors are effectively put in parallel with $\mathrm{C}_{\text {OUT }}$, causing a rapid drop in $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$. No regulator can deliver enough current to prevent this problem if the switch connecting to load has low resistance and is driven quickly. The solution is to limit the turn-on speed of the load switch driver. A Hot Swap controller is designed specifically for this purpose and usually incorporates current limiting, short-circuit protection and soft-starting.

## Efficiency Considerations

The percent efficiency of a switching regulator is equal to the output power divided by the input power times $100 \%$. It is often useful to analyze individual losses to determine what is limiting the efficiency and which change would produce the most improvement. Percent efficiency can be expressed as:

$$
\text { \% Efficiency = 100\% - (L1 + L2 + L3 + ... })
$$

where L1, L2 etc. are the individual losses as a percentage of input power. Although all dissipative elements in the circuit produce losses, three main sources usually account for most of the losses in LTC3622 circuit: 1) I ${ }^{2} R$ losses, 2) switching and biasing losses, 3) other losses.

1. $I^{2} R$ losses are calculated from the $D C$ resistances of the internal switches, $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{SW}}$, and external inductor, $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{L}}$. In continuous mode, the average output current flows through inductor L but is "chopped" between the internal top and bottom power MOSFETs. Thus, the series resistance looking into the SW pin is a function of both top and bottom MOSFET $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{DS}(\mathrm{ON})}$ and the duty cycle (DC) as follows:
$R_{S W}=\left(R_{D S(O N) T O P}\right)(D C)+\left(R_{D S(O N) B O T}\right)(1-D C)$
The $R_{D S(O N)}$ for both the top and bottom MOSFETs can be obtained from the Typical Performance Characteristics curves. Thus to obtain $I^{2} \mathrm{R}$ losses:

$$
I^{2} R \text { Losses }=I_{O U T}^{2}\left(R_{S W}+R_{L}\right)
$$

2. The switching current is the sum of the MOSFET driver and control currents. The power MOSFET driver current results from switching the gate capacitance of the power MOSFETs. Each time a power MOSFET gate is switched from low to high to low again, a packet of charge dQ moves from $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ to ground. The resulting $\mathrm{dQ} / \mathrm{dt}$ is a current out of $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ that is typically much larger than the DC control bias current. In continuous mode, $I_{G A T E C H G}=f_{0 S C}\left(Q_{T}+Q_{B}\right)$, where $Q_{T}$ and $Q_{B}$ are the gate charges of the internal top and bottom power MOSFETs and $\mathrm{f}_{\text {OSc }}$ is the switching frequency. The power loss is thus:

## Switching LOSS $=I_{\text {GATECHG }} \bullet \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$

The gate charge loss is proportional to $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}$ and $\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{OSC}}$ and thus their effects will be more pronounced at higher supply voltages and higher frequencies.
3. Other "hidden" losses such as transition loss and copper trace and internal load resistances can account for additional efficiency degradations in the overall power system. It is very important to include these "system" level losses in the design of a system. Transition loss arises from the brief amount of time the top power MOSFET spends in the saturated region during switch node transitions. The LTC3622 internal power devices switch quickly enough that these loses are not significant compared to other sources. These losses plus other losses, including diode conduction losses during dead time and inductor core losses, generally account for less than 2\% total additional loss.

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## Thermal Conditions

In a majority of applications, the LTC3622 does not dissipate much heat due to its high efficiency. However, in applications where the LTC3622 is running at high ambient temperature, high $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}$, high switching frequency, and maximum output current load, the heat dissipated may exceed the maximum junction temperature of the part. If the junction temperature reaches approximately $160^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, all power switches will be turned off until the temperature drops about $15^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ cooler.
To prevent the LTC3622 from exceeding the maximum junction temperature, the user needs to do some thermal analysis. The goal of the thermal analysis is to determine whether the power dissipated exceeds the maximum junction temperature of the part. The temperature rise is given by:

$$
\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{RISE}}=\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{D}} \bullet \theta_{\mathrm{JA}}
$$

As an example, consider the case when the LTC3622 is used in applications where $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {OUT }}=I_{\text {OUT1 }}=\mathrm{I}_{\text {OUT2 }}$ $=1 \mathrm{~A}, f=2.25 \mathrm{MHz}, \mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT1 }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT2 }}=1.8 \mathrm{~V}$. The equivalent power MOSFET resistance $\mathrm{R}_{\text {Sw }}$ is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{R}_{S W}=\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{DS}(\text { ON }) \text { TOP }} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}}{\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}}+\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{DS}(\text { ON BOT }} \cdot\left(1-\frac{\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}}{\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}}\right) \\
& =370 \mathrm{~m} \Omega \cdot \frac{1.8 \mathrm{~V}}{12 \mathrm{~V}}+150 \mathrm{~m} \Omega \cdot\left(1-\frac{1.8 \mathrm{~V}}{12 \mathrm{~V}}\right)=183 \mathrm{~m} \Omega
\end{aligned}
$$

The active current through $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ at 2.25 MHz without load is about 10 mA , which includes switching and internal biasing current loss, and transition loss. Therefore, the total power dissipated by the part is:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{D}}=2 \cdot \mathrm{I}_{O U T}{ }^{2} \cdot \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{SW}}+\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}} \cdot I_{\operatorname{IN}(Q)} \\
& =2 \cdot 1 \mathrm{~A}^{2} \cdot 183 \mathrm{~m} \Omega+12 \mathrm{~V} \cdot 10 \mathrm{~mA} \\
& =486 \mathrm{~mW}
\end{aligned}
$$

For the DFN package, the $\theta_{\mathrm{JA}}$ is $40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}$. Therefore, the junction temperature of the regulator operating at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ambient temperature is approximately:

$$
\mathrm{T}_{J}=486 \mathrm{~mW} \cdot 40^{\circ} \mathrm{C} / \mathrm{W}+25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}=44.4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}
$$

Remembering that the above junction temperature is obtained from an $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{DS}(\mathrm{ON})}$ at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, we might recalculate the junction temperature based on a higher $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{DS}(\mathrm{ON})}$ since it increases with temperature. Redoing the calculation assuming that $\mathrm{R}_{\text {Sw }}$ increased $5 \%$ at $44.4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ yields a new junction temperature of $45.4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. If the application calls for a higher ambient temperature and/or higher switching frequency, care should be taken to reduce the temperature rise of the part by using a heat sink or air flow.

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## Board Layout Considerations

When laying out the printed circuit board, the following checklist should be used to ensure proper operation of the LTC3622 (refer to Figure 3). Check the following in the layout:

1. Do the capacitors $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{IN}}$ connect to the $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ and GND as close as possible? These capacitors provide the AC currentto the internal powerMOSFETs and theirdrivers. Does $C_{\text {VCC }}$ connect to INTV ${ }_{\text {CC }}$ as close as possible?
2. Are Cout and L closely connected? The (-) plate of Cout returns current to GND and the (-) plate of $\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{IN}}$.
3. The resistive divider, R1 and R2, must be connected between the (+) plate of $\mathrm{C}_{\text {OUT }}$ and a ground line terminated near GND. The feedback signal $V_{F B}$ should be routed away from noisy components and traces, such as the SW line, and its trace should be minimized. Keep R1 and R2 close to the IC.
4. Solder the exposed pad (Pin 15 for DFN, Pin 17 for MSOP) on the bottom of the package to the GND plane. Connect this GND plane to other layers with thermal vias to help dissipate heat from the LTC3622.
5. Keep sensitive components away from the SW pin. The input capacitor, $\mathrm{C}_{I N}$, feedback resistors, and INTV ${ }_{C C}$ bypass capacitors should be routed away from the SW trace and the inductor.
6. A ground plane is highly recommended.
7. Flood all unused areas on all layers with copper, which reduces the temperature rise of power components. These copper areas should be connected to GND.


Figure 3. Layout Diagram

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## Design Example

As a design example, consider using the LTC3622 in an application with the following specifications:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}=10.8 \mathrm{~V} \text { to } 13.2 \mathrm{~V} \\
& V_{\text {OUT1 }}=5 \mathrm{~V} \\
& V_{\text {OUT2 }}=3.3 \mathrm{~V} \\
& I_{\text {OUT1 (MAX) }}=1 \mathrm{~A} \\
& I_{\text {OUT2 }}(\text { MAX })=1 \mathrm{~A} \\
& I_{\text {OUT(MIN })}=0 \\
& \mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{SW}}=2.25 \mathrm{MHz}
\end{aligned}
$$

Because efficiency is important at both high and low load current, Burst Mode operation will be utilized.

Given the internal oscillator of 2.25 MHz , we can calculate the inductors value for about $40 \%$ ripple current at maximum $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ :

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{L} 1=\left(\frac{5 \mathrm{~V}}{2.25 \mathrm{MHz} \cdot 0.4 \mathrm{~A}}\right)\left(1-\frac{5 \mathrm{~V}}{13.2 \mathrm{~V}}\right)=3.4 \mu \mathrm{H} \\
& \mathrm{~L} 2=\left(\frac{3.3 \mathrm{~V}}{2.25 \mathrm{MHz} \cdot 0.4 \mathrm{~A}}\right)\left(1-\frac{3.3 \mathrm{~V}}{13.2 \mathrm{~V}}\right)=2.75 \mu \mathrm{H}
\end{aligned}
$$

Using standard value of $3.3 \mu \mathrm{H}$ and $2.7 \mu \mathrm{H}$ for inductors results in maximum ripple currents of:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \Delta \mathrm{L}_{\mathrm{L} 1}=\frac{5 \mathrm{~V}}{2.25 \mathrm{MHz} \cdot 3.3 \mu \mathrm{H}}\left(1-\frac{5 \mathrm{~V}}{13.2 \mathrm{~V}}\right)=0.42 \mathrm{~A} \\
& \Delta \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{L} 2}=\frac{3.3 \mathrm{~V}}{2.25 \mathrm{MHz} \cdot 2.7 \mu \mathrm{H}}\left(1-\frac{3.3 \mathrm{~V}}{13.2 \mathrm{~V}}\right)=0.41 \mathrm{~A}
\end{aligned}
$$

Cout will be selected based on the ESR that is required to satisfy the output voltage ripple requirement and the bulk capacitance needed for loop stability. For this design, a $22 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ceramic capacitor will be used.
$\mathrm{C}_{\mathrm{IN}}$ should be sized for a maximum current rating of:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{RMS} 1}=1 \mathrm{~A}\left(\frac{5}{13.2}\right) \sqrt{\frac{13.2}{5}-1}=0.49 \mathrm{~A} \\
& \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{RMS} 2}=1 \mathrm{~A}\left(\frac{3.3}{13.2}\right) \sqrt{\frac{13.2}{3.3}-1}=0.43 \mathrm{~A}
\end{aligned}
$$

Decoupling the $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN1 }}$ and $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN2 }}$ pins with $10 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ ceramic capacitors is adequate for most applications.


Figure 4. 5V/3.3V $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT }}$ Burst Mode Operation Application

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## 5V/3.3V V ${ }_{\text {OUT }}$, Burst Mode Operation, In-Phase Switching




Load Step Waveform

$\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=12 \mathrm{~V}$
$V_{\text {OUT1 }}=5 \mathrm{~V}$
LOAD $=5 \mathrm{~mA} \rightarrow 500 \mathrm{~mA}$
Burst Mode OPERATION
$\mathrm{f}_{\mathrm{SW}}=2.25 \mathrm{MHz}$

Dual Output Regulators from Multiple Input Sources


## PACKAGE DESCRIPTION

## DE Package

14-Lead Plastic DFN ( $4 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ )
(Reference LTC DWG \# 05-08-1708 Rev B)


RECOMMENDED SOLDER PAD PITCH AND DIMENSIONS APPLY SOLDER MASK TO AREAS THAT ARE NOT SOLDERED



BOTTOM VIEW—EXPOSED PAD

NOTE:

1. DRAWING PROPOSED TO BE MADE VARIATION OF VERSION (WGED-3) IN JEDEC PACKAGE OUTLINE MO-229
2. DRAWING NOT TO SCALE
3. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS
4. DIMENSIONS OF EXPOSED PAD ON BOTTOM OF PACKAGE DO NOT INCLUDE

MOLD FLASH. MOLD FLASH, IF PRESENT, SHALL NOT EXCEED 0.15 mm ON ANY SIDE
5. EXPOSED PAD SHALL BE SOLDER PLATED
6. SHADED AREA IS ONLY A REFERENCE FOR PIN 1 LOCATION ON THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF PACKAGE

MSE Package
16-Lead Plastic MSOP, Exposed Die Pad
(Reference LTC DWG \# 05-08-1667 Rev F)


## REVISIOC HISTORY

| REV | DATE | DESCRIPTION | PAGE NUMBER |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | 03/15 | Added LTC3622-23/5 Options in Header. <br> Added LTC3622-23/5 to Options Table. <br> Added LTC3622-23/5 to Electrical Characteristics. <br> Added MSOP-16E Package Options. <br> Added H-Grade Options. <br> Clarified Pin Functions. <br> Clarified Table 2. <br> Added MSOP-16E in \#4. | All 1 3 $1,2,3,22$ $2,3,4$ 8 14 17 |
| B | 8/15 | Clarified package description to MSE. Clarified Package Description to MSE, 16-Lead MSOP, exposed die pad. | $\begin{gathered} 2 \\ 22 \end{gathered}$ |
| C | 6/16 | Changed ABS Max Rating of RUN1 and RUN2 pins. | 2 |
| D | 9/18 | Clarified $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{DS}(\text { ON })}$ vs Temperature Graph | 7 |

## TYPICAL APPLICATION

5V/3.3V Series Output, Burst Mode Operation


## RELATED PARTS

| PART NUMBER | DESCRIPTION | COMMENTS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { LTC3621/ } \\ & \text { LTC3621-2 } \end{aligned}$ | 1A, 17V, 1/2.25MHz, Synchronous Step-Down Regulator | $95 \%$ Efficiency, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}: 2.7 \mathrm{~V}$ to $17 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT(MIIN }}=0.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}=3.5 \mu \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{SD}}<1 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $2 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ DFN-6, MSOP-8E |
| LTC3600 | 1.5A, 15V, 4MHz Synchronous Rail-to-Rail Single Resistor Step-Down Regulator | $95 \%$ Efficiency, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN: }}: 4 \mathrm{~V}$ to $15 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT(MIN) }}=0 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}=700 \mu \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {SD }}<1 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ DFN-12, MSOP-12E Packages |
| LTC3601 | 15V, 1.5A (Iout) 4MHz Synchronous Step-Down DC/DC Converter | $95 \%$ Efficiency, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN: }} 4.5 \mathrm{~V}$ to 15 V , $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT(MIN) }}=0.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}=300 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $\mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{SD}}<1 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $4 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ QFN-20, MSOP-16E Packages |
| LTC3603 | 15V, 2.5A (Iout) 3MHz Synchronous Step-Down DC/DC Converter | $95 \%$ Efficiency, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN: }}: 4.5 \mathrm{~V}$ to $15 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT(MIIN })}=0.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}=75 \mu \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{SD}}<1 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $4 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ QFN-20, MSOP-16E Packages |
| LTC3633A | 20V, Dual 3A (IOut) 4MHz Synchronous Step-Down DC/DC Converter | $95 \%$ Efficiency, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN: }} 3.6 \mathrm{~V}$ to $20 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT(MIN }}=0.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{O}}=500 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $\mathrm{I}_{\text {SD }}<15 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $4 \mathrm{~mm} \times 5 \mathrm{~mm}$ QFN-28, TSSOP-28E Packages. A Version Up to $20 \mathrm{~V}_{\text {IN }}$ |
| LTC3605A | 20V, 5A (lout) 4MHz Synchronous Step-Down DC/DC Converter | $95 \%$ Efficiency, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}$ : 4 V to 20V, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT(MIN) }}=0.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}=2 \mathrm{~mA}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{SD}}<15 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $4 \mathrm{~mm} \times 4 \mathrm{~mm}$ QFN-24 Package. A Version Up to $20 \mathrm{~V}_{\text {IN }}$ |
| LTC3604 | 15V, 2.5A (Iout) 4MHz Synchronous Step-Down DC/DC Converter | $95 \%$ Efficiency, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN: }} 3.6 \mathrm{~V}$ to 15 V , $\mathrm{V}_{\text {OUT(MIN })}=0.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}=300 \mu \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{SD}}<14 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ QFN-16, MSOP-16E Packages |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { LTC3624/ } \\ & \text { LTC3624-2 } \end{aligned}$ | 2A, 17V, 1MHz/2.25MHz Synchronous Step-Down Regulator | $95 \%$ Efficiency, $\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN: }}: 2.7 \mathrm{~V}$ to $17 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~V}_{\text {OUT(MIN) }}=0.6 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{I}_{\mathrm{Q}}=3.5 \mu \mathrm{~A}, \mathrm{I}_{\text {SD }}<1 \mu \mathrm{~A}$, $3 \mathrm{~mm} \times 3 \mathrm{~mm}$ DFN-8 Package |

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[^0]:    Contact the factory for parts specified with wider operating temperature ranges. *The temperature grade is identified by a label on the shipping container.

[^1]:    $V_{\text {IN }}=12 \mathrm{~V}$
    $V_{\text {OUT }}=2.5 \mathrm{~V}$
    Burst Mode OPERATION $I_{\text {OUT }}=75 \mathrm{~mA}$

