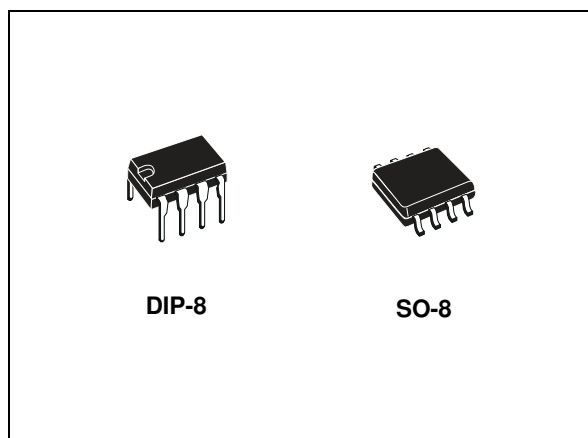




### Description

The MC34063A/E series is a monolithic control circuit which delivers the main functions for DC-DC voltage converting.

The device contains an internal temperature compensated reference, comparator, duty cycle controlled oscillator with an active current limit circuit, driver and high current output switch. Output voltage is adjustable through two external resistors with a 2% reference accuracy.

Employing a minimum number of external components, the MC34063A/E device series is designed for step-down, step-up and voltage-inverting applications.

### Features

- Output switch current in excess of 1.5 A
- 2 % reference accuracy
- Low quiescent current: 2.5 mA (typ.)
- Operating from 3 V to 40 V
- Frequency operation to 100 kHz
- Active current limiting

Table 1. Device summary

| Order codes |               |
|-------------|---------------|
| DIP-8       | SO-8          |
| MC34063ABN  | MC34063ABD-TR |
| MC34063ACN  | MC34063ACD-TR |
| MC34063EBN  | MC34063EBD-TR |
| MC34063ECN  | MC34063ECD-TR |

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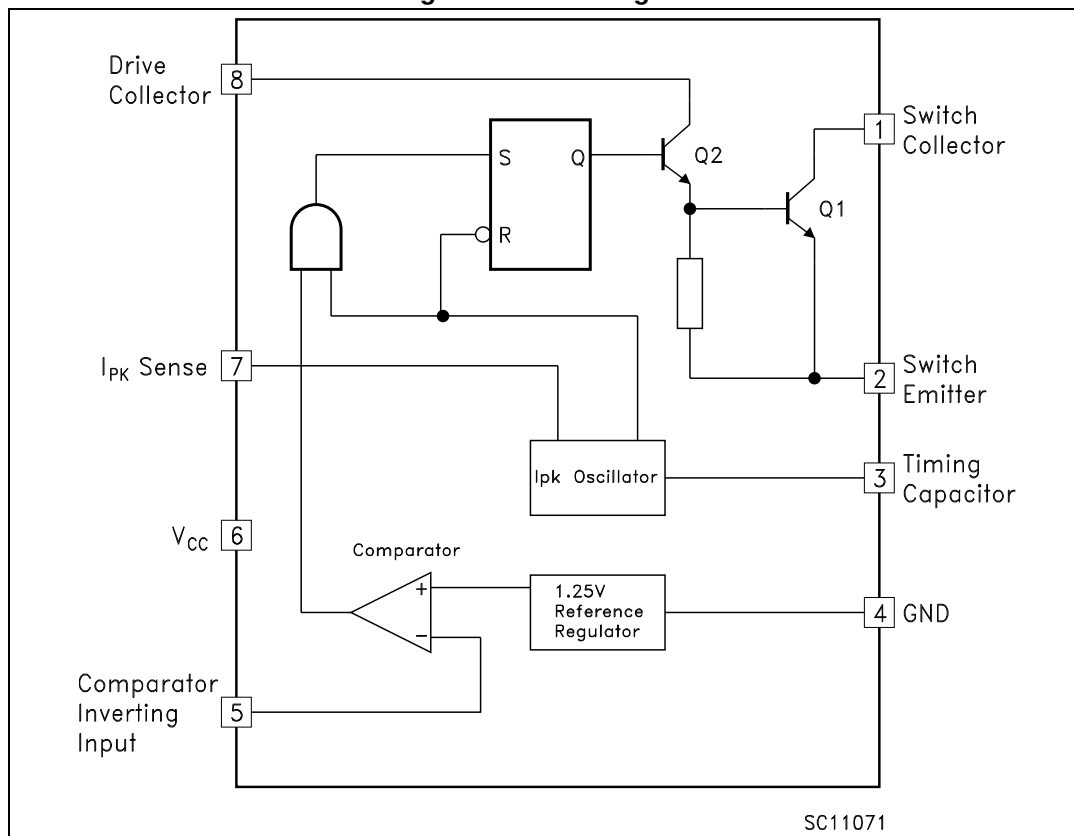
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## 1 Diagram

**Figure 1. Block diagram**



## 2 Pin configuration

Figure 2. Pin connections

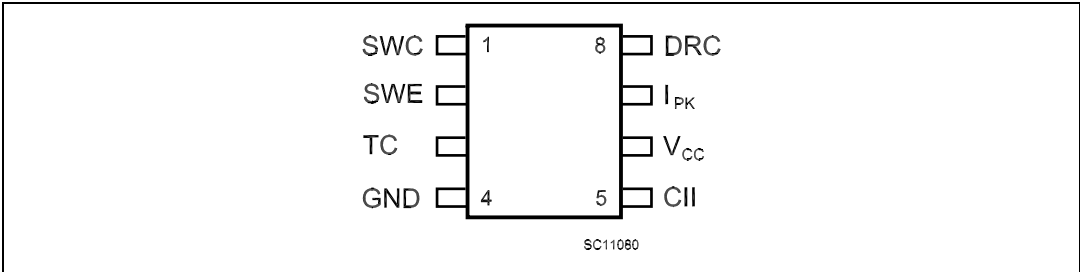


Table 2. Pin description

| Pin n° | Symbol          | Name and function          |
|--------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| 1      | SWC             | Switch collector           |
| 2      | SWE             | Switch emitter             |
| 3      | TC              | Timing capacitor           |
| 4      | GND             | Ground                     |
| 5      | CII             | Comparator inverting input |
| 6      | V <sub>CC</sub> | Voltage supply             |
| 7      | I <sub>PK</sub> | I <sub>PK</sub> sense      |
| 8      | DRC             | Voltage driver collector   |

### 3 Maximum ratings

**Table 3. Absolute maximum ratings**

| Symbol    | Parameter                                  |                      | Value      | Unit       |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|------------|
| $V_{CC}$  | Power supply voltage                       |                      | 50         | V          |
| $V_{IR}$  | Comparator input voltage range             |                      | -0.3 to 40 | V          |
| $V_{SWC}$ | Switch collector voltage                   |                      | 40         | V          |
| $V_{SWE}$ | Switch emitter voltage ( $V_{SWC} = 40V$ ) |                      | 40         | V          |
| $V_{CE}$  | Switch collector to emitter voltage        |                      | 40         | V          |
| $V_{DC}$  | Driver collector voltage                   |                      | 40         | V          |
| $I_{DC}$  | Driver collector current                   |                      | 100        | mA         |
| $I_{SW}$  | Switch current                             |                      | 1.5        | A          |
| $P_{TOT}$ | Power dissipation at $T_A = 25^\circ C$    | for DIP-8            | 1.25       | W          |
|           |                                            | for SO-8             | 0.625      |            |
| $T_J$     | Operating junction temperature             |                      | 150        | $^\circ C$ |
| $T_{STG}$ | Storage temperature range                  |                      | -40 to 150 | $^\circ C$ |
| $T_{OP}$  | Operating ambient temperature range        | for AC and EC series | 0 to 70    | $^\circ C$ |
|           |                                            | for AB series        | -40 to 85  |            |
|           |                                            | for EB series        | -40 to 125 |            |

**Note:** *Absolute maximum ratings are those values beyond which damage to the device may occur. Functional operation under these condition is not implied.*

**Table 4. Thermal data**

| Symbol     | Parameter                                          | DIP-8 | SO-8 | Unit         |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------|------|--------------|
| $R_{thJA}$ | Thermal resistance junction-ambient <sup>(1)</sup> | 100   | 160  | $^\circ C/W$ |
| $R_{thJC}$ | Thermal resistance junction-case                   | 42    | 20   | $^\circ C/W$ |

1. This value depends from thermal design of PCB on which the device is mounted.

## 4 Electrical characteristics

Refer to the test circuits,  $V_{CC} = 5\text{ V}$ ,  $T_A = T_{LOW}$  to  $T_{HIGH}$ , unless otherwise specified. <sup>(a)</sup>

**Table 5. Oscillator**

| Symbol               | Parameter                         | Test conditions                                                          | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit          |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|---------------|
| $f_{OSC}$            | Frequency                         | $V_{PIN5} = 0\text{ V}$ , $C_T = 1\text{ nF}$ , $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$ | 24   | 33   | 42   | kHz           |
| $I_{CHG}$            | Charge current                    | $V_{CC} = 5\text{ to }40\text{ V}$ , $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$            | 24   | 33   | 42   | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{DISCHG}$         | Discharge current                 | $V_{CC} = 5\text{ to }40\text{ V}$ , $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$            | 140  | 200  | 260  | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $I_{DISCHG}/I_{CHG}$ | Discharge to charge current ratio | $PIN\ 7 = V_{CC}$ , $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$                             | 5.2  | 6.2  | 7.5  | $\mu\text{A}$ |
| $V_{IPK(sense)}$     | Current limit sense voltage       | $I_{CHG} = I_{DISCHG}$ , $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$                        | 250  | 300  | 350  | mV            |

**Table 6. Output switch**

| Symbol        | Parameter                                 | Test conditions                                                                       | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit          |
|---------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|------|------|---------------|
| $V_{CE(sat)}$ | Saturation voltage, Darlington connection | $I_{SW} = 1\text{ A}$ , $PIN\ 1, 8$ connected                                         |      | 1    | 1.3  | V             |
| $V_{CE(sat)}$ | Saturation voltage                        | $I_{SW} = 1\text{ A}$ , $R_{PIN8} = 82\ \Omega$ to $V_{CC}$<br>Forced $\beta \sim 20$ |      | 0.45 | 0.7  | V             |
| $h_{FE}$      | DC current gain                           | $I_{SW} = 1\text{ A}$ , $V_{CE} = 5\text{ V}$ , $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$              | 50   | 120  |      |               |
| $I_{C(off)}$  | Collector off-state current               | $V_{CE} = 40\text{ V}$                                                                |      | 0.01 | 100  | $\mu\text{A}$ |

**Table 7. Comparator**

| Symbol       | Parameter                         | Test conditions                    | Min.  | Typ. | Max.  | Unit |
|--------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------|------|-------|------|
| $V_{TH}$     | Threshold voltage                 | $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$           | 1.225 | 1.25 | 1.275 | V    |
|              |                                   | $T_A = T_{LOW}$ to $T_{HIGH}$      | 1.21  |      | 1.29  |      |
| $Reg_{line}$ | Threshold voltage line regulation | $V_{CC} = 3\text{ to }40\text{ V}$ |       | 1    | 10    | mV   |
| $I_{IB}$     | Input bias current                | $V_{IN} = 0\text{ V}$              |       | -5   | -400  | nA   |

a.  $T_{LOW} = 0^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_{HIGH} = 70^\circ\text{C}$  (AC and EC series);  $T_{LOW} = -40^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_{HIGH} = 85^\circ\text{C}$  (AB series);  $T_{LOW} = -40^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_{HIGH} = 125^\circ\text{C}$  (EB series)

Table 8. Total device

| Symbol         | Parameter                       | Test conditions                                                                                                                                  |              | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Unit |
|----------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------|------|------|------|
| $I_{CC}$       | Supply current                  | $V_{CC} = 5 \text{ to } 40 \text{ V}$<br>$C_T = 1 \text{ nF}$<br>$PIN 7 = V_{CC}$<br>$V_{PIN5} > V_{TH}$<br>$PIN 2 = GND$<br>Remaining pins open | for MC34063A |      | 2.5  | 4    | mA   |
|                |                                 |                                                                                                                                                  | for MC34063E |      | 1.5  | 4    |      |
| $V_{START-UP}$ | Start-up voltage <sup>(1)</sup> | $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$<br>$C_T = 1 \mu\text{F}, PIN 5 = 0$                                                                                     | for MC34063A |      | 2.1  |      | V    |
|                |                                 |                                                                                                                                                  | for MC34063E |      | 1.5  |      |      |

1. Start-up voltage is the minimum power supply voltage at which the internal oscillator begins to work.

**Note:** Maximum package power dissipation limit must be observed.

If Darlington configuration is not used, care must be taken to avoid deep saturation of output switch. The resulting switch-off time may be adversely affected. In a Darlington configuration the following output driver condition is suggested:

$$\text{Forced } \beta \text{ of output current switch} = I_{COUTPUT} / (I_{CDRIVER} - 1 \text{ mA}) \geq 10$$

## 5 Typical performance characteristics

Figure 3. Emitter follower configuration output saturation voltage vs. emitter current

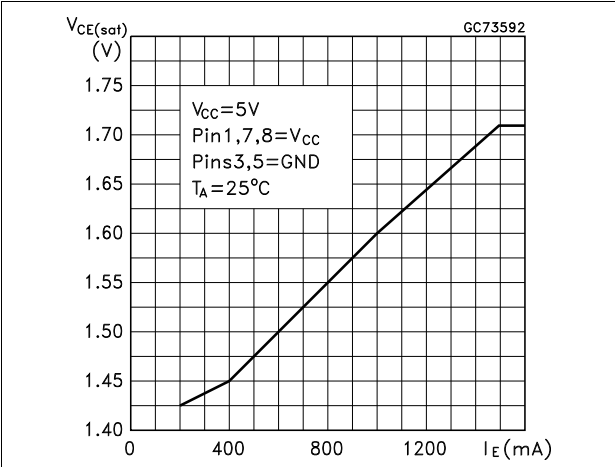


Figure 4. Output switch ON-OFF time vs. oscillator timing capacitor

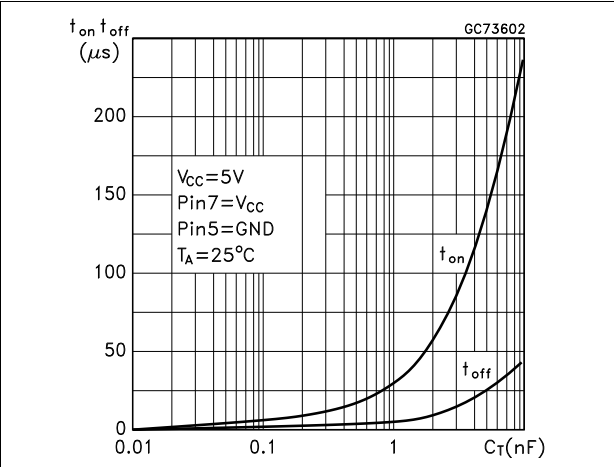


Figure 5. Common emitter configuration output switch saturation voltage vs. collector current

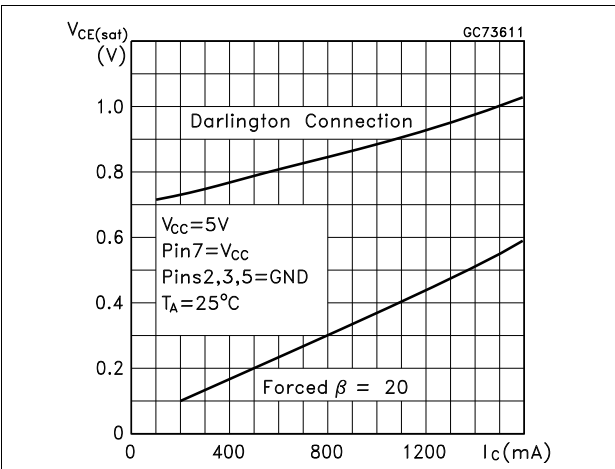
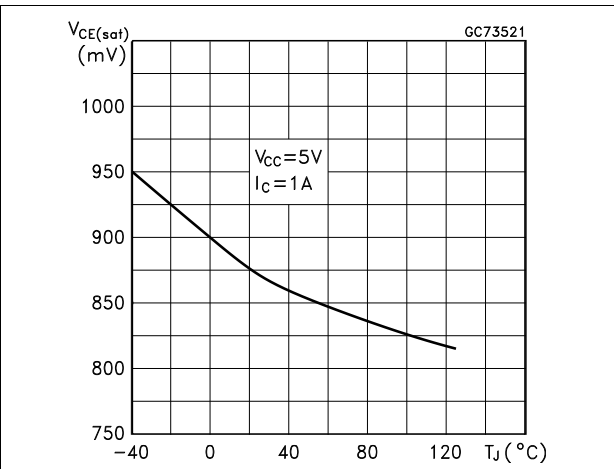
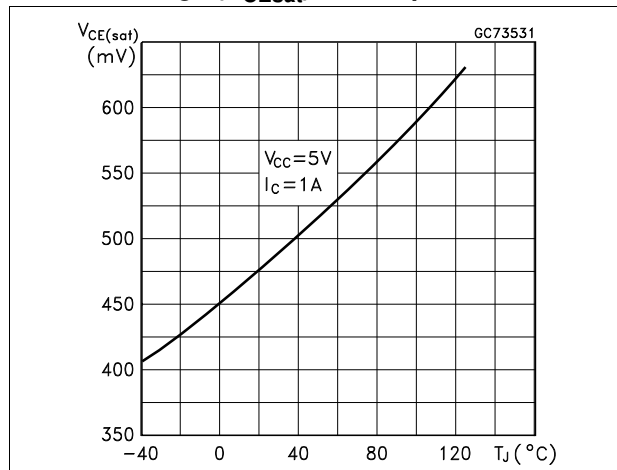
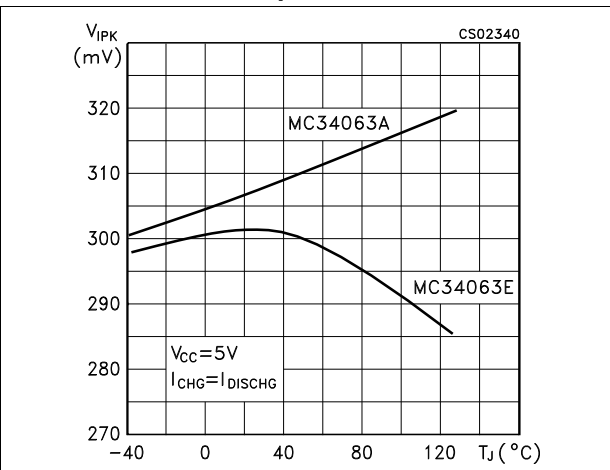
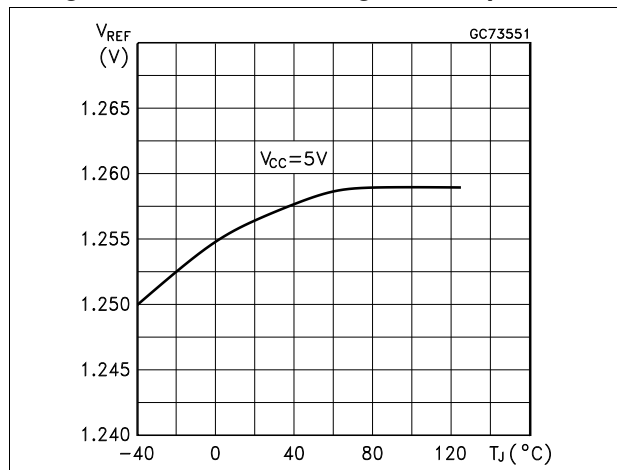
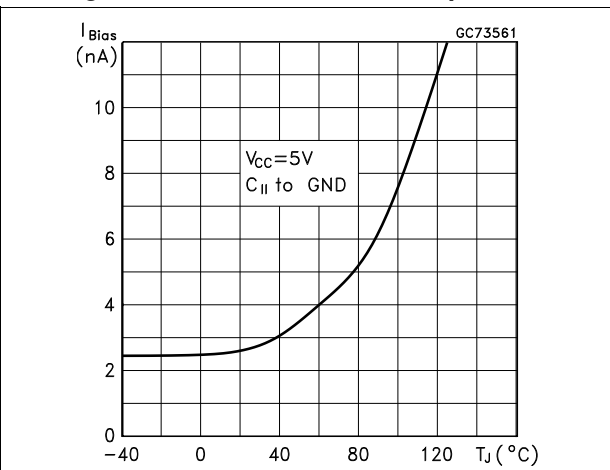
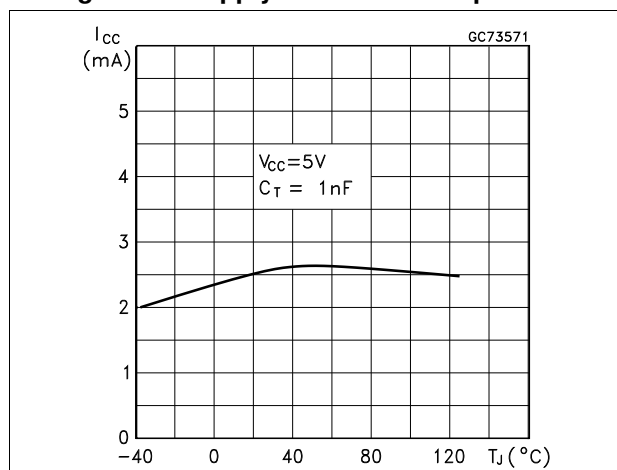
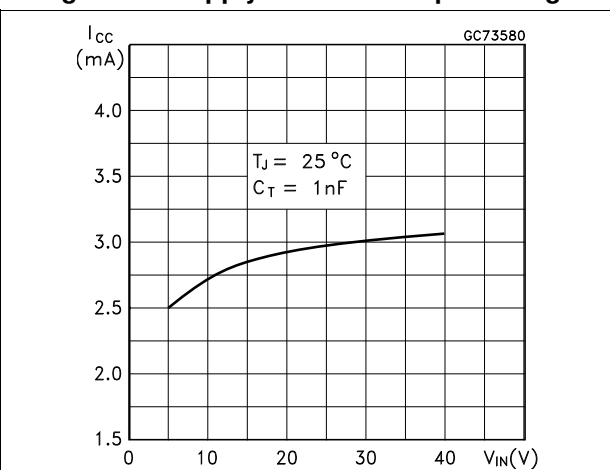


Figure 6. Darlington configuration collector emitter saturation voltage ( $V_{CE(sat)}$ ) vs. temperature



**Figure 7. Power collector emitter saturation voltage ( $V_{CEsat}$ ) vs. temperature****Figure 8. Current limit sense voltage ( $V_{IPK}$ ) vs. temperature****Figure 9. Reference voltage vs. temperature****Figure 10. Bias current vs. temperature****Figure 11. Supply current vs. temperature****Figure 12. Supply current vs. input voltage**

## 6 Typical application circuit

Figure 13. Step-up converter

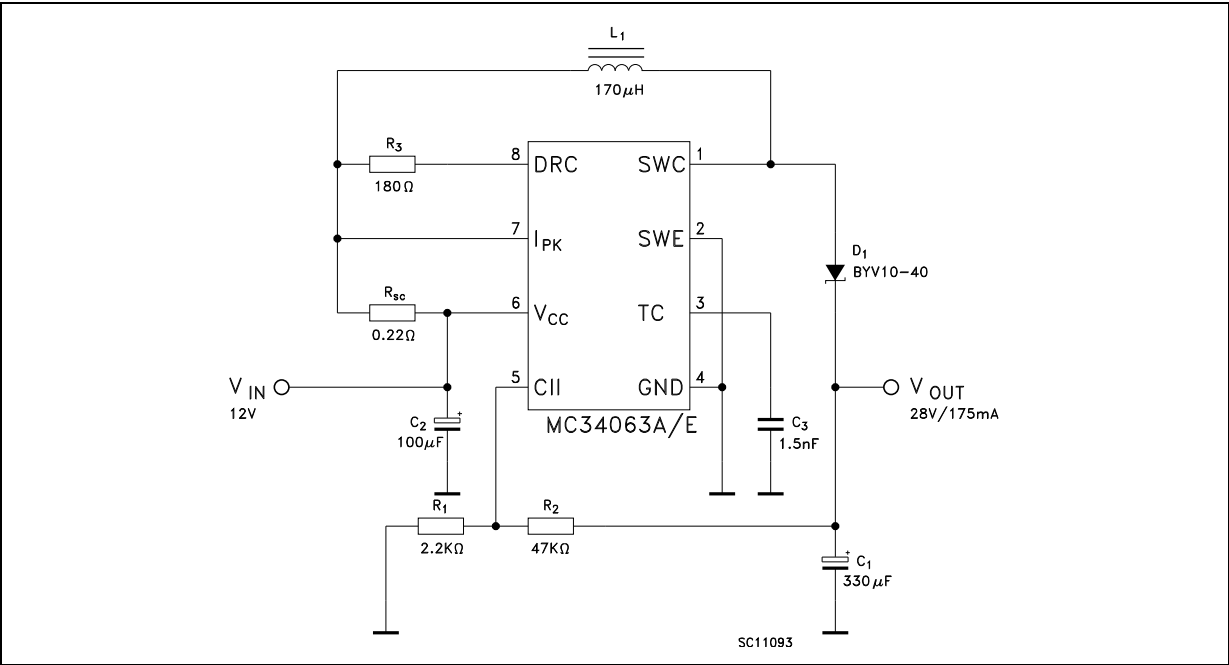


Figure 14. Printed evaluation board

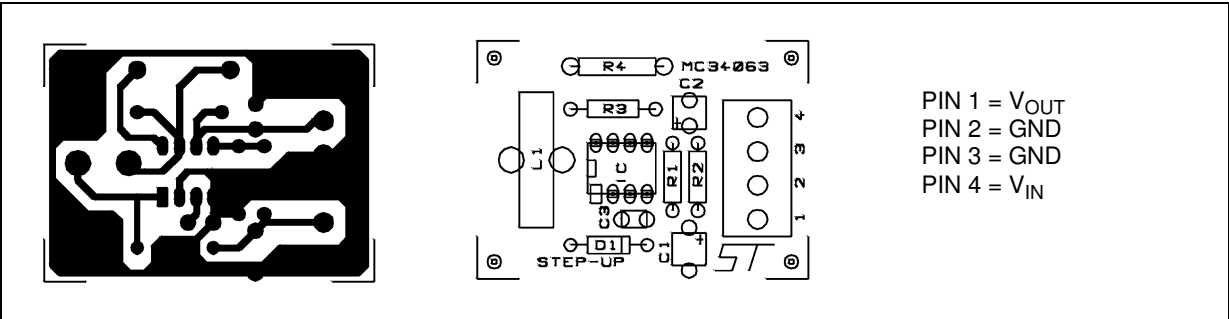


Table 9. Test condition ( $V_{OUT} = 28$  V)

| Test            | Conditions                              | Value (Typ.) | Unit |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------|------|
| Line Regulation | $V_{IN} = 8$ to $16$ V, $I_O = 175$ mA  | 30           | mV   |
| Load Regulation | $V_{IN} = 12$ V, $I_O = 75$ to $175$ mA | 10           | mV   |
| Output Ripple   | $V_{IN} = 12$ V, $I_O = 175$ mA         | 300          | mV   |
| Efficiency      | $V_{IN} = 12$ V, $I_O = 175$ mA         | 89           | %    |

Figure 15. Step-down converter

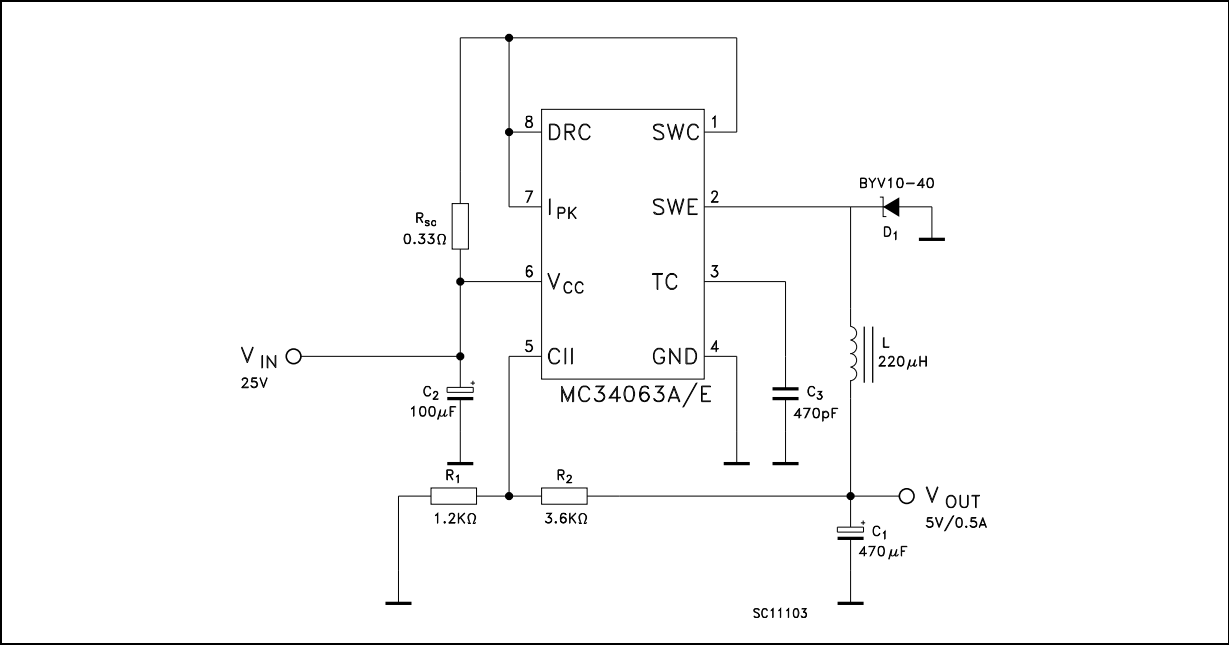


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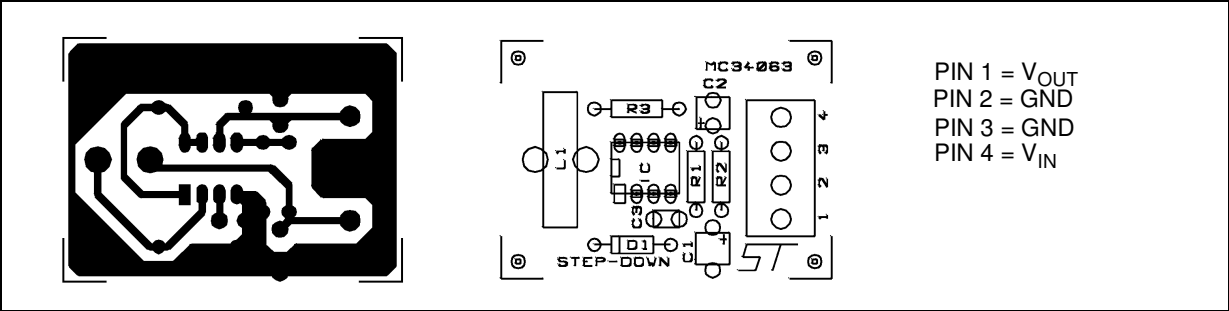


Table 10. Test condition ( $V_{OUT} = 5\text{ V}$ )

| Test            | Conditions                                                  | Value (typ.) | Unit |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------|
| Line regulation | $V_{IN} = 15\text{ to }25\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 500\text{ mA}$ | 5            | mV   |
| Load regulation | $V_{IN} = 25\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 50\text{ to }500\text{ mA}$ | 30           | mV   |
| Output ripple   | $V_{IN} = 25\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 500\text{ mA}$              | 100          | mV   |
| Efficiency      | $V_{IN} = 25\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 500\text{ mA}$              | 80           | %    |
| $I_{SC}$        | $V_{IN} = 25\text{ V}$ , $R_{LOAD} = 0.1\ \Omega$           | 1.2          | A    |

Figure 17. Voltage inverting converter

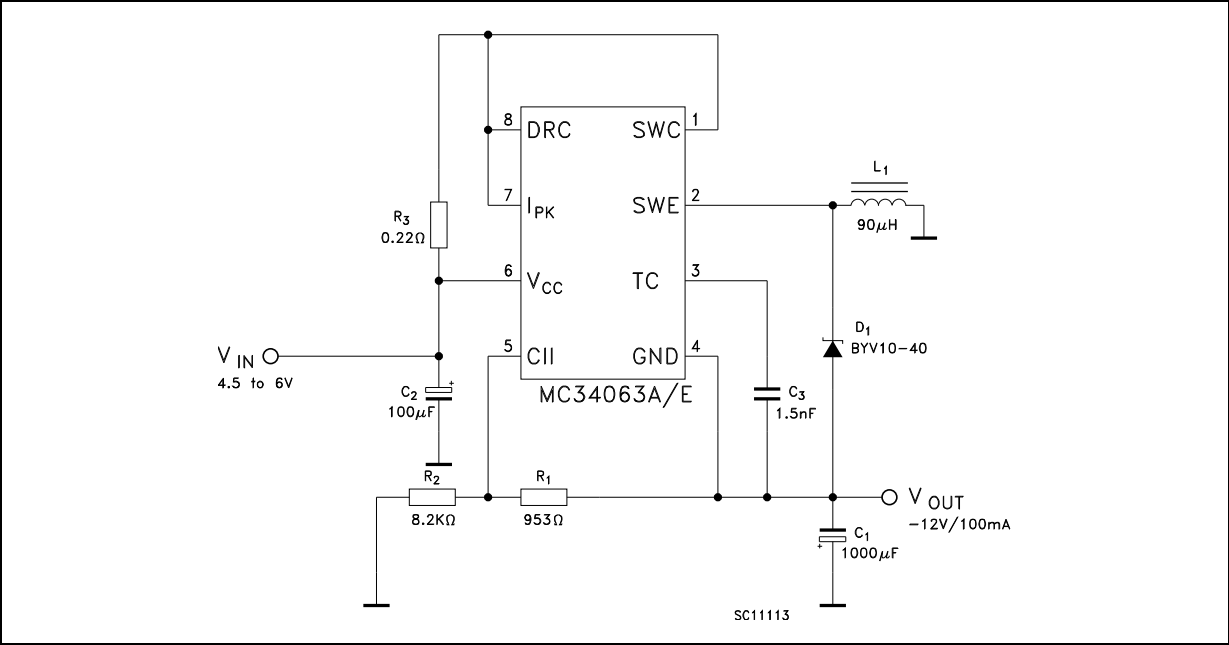


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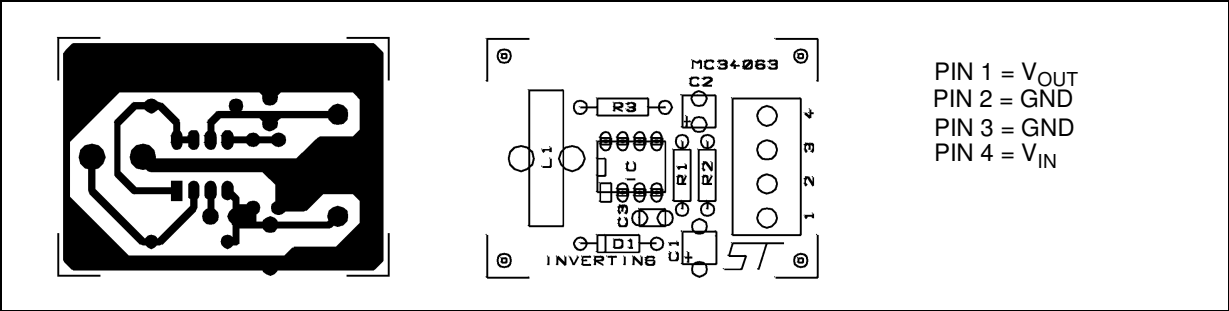


Table 11. Test condition ( $V_{OUT} = 12\text{ V}$ )

| Test            | Conditions                                                  | Value (typ.) | Unit |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|------|
| Line regulation | $V_{IN} = 4.5\text{ to }6\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 100\text{ mA}$ | 15           | mV   |
| Load regulation | $V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 10\text{ to }100\text{ mA}$  | 20           | mV   |
| Output ripple   | $V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 100\text{ mA}$               | 230          | mV   |
| Efficiency      | $V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$ , $I_O = 100\text{ mA}$               | 58           | %    |
| $I_{SC}$        | $V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$ , $R_{LOAD} = 0.1\ \Omega$            | 0.9          | A    |

Table 12. Calculation

| Parameter                        | Step-Up<br>(Discontinuous mode)                                   | Step-Down<br>(Continuous mode)                                              | Voltage Inverting<br>(Discontinuous mode)                         |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| $t_{on}/t_{off}$                 | $\frac{V_{OUT} + V_F - V_{IN(min)}}{V_{IN(min)} - V_{sat}}$       | $\frac{V_{OUT} + V_F}{V_{IN(min)} - V_{sat} - V_{OUT}}$                     | $\frac{ V_{OUT}  + V_F}{V_{IN} - V_{sat}}$                        |
| $(t_{on} + t_{off}) \text{ max}$ | $1/f_{min}$                                                       | $1/f_{min}$                                                                 | $1/f_{min}$                                                       |
| $C_T$                            | $4.5 \times 10^{-5} t_{on}$                                       | $4.5 \times 10^{-5} t_{on}$                                                 | $4.5 \times 10^{-5} t_{on}$                                       |
| $I_{PK(switch)}$                 | $2I_{out(max)}[(t_{on}/t_{off}) + 1]$                             | $2I_{out(max)}$                                                             | $2I_{out(max)}[(t_{on}/t_{off}) + 1]$                             |
| $R_{SC}$                         | $0.3/I_{PK(switch)}$                                              | $0.3/I_{PK(switch)}$                                                        | $0.3/I_{PK(switch)}$                                              |
| $C_O$                            | $\frac{I_{out} t_{on}}{V_{ripple(p-p)}}$                          | $\frac{I_{PK(switch)}(t_{on} + t_{off})}{8V_{ripple(p-p)}}$                 | $\frac{I_{out} t_{on}}{V_{ripple(p-p)}}$                          |
| $L_{(min)}$                      | $\frac{V_{IN(min)} - V_{sat}}{I_{PK(switch)}} \times t_{on(min)}$ | $\frac{V_{IN(min)} - V_{sat} - V_{out}}{I_{PK(switch)}} \times t_{on(min)}$ | $\frac{V_{IN(min)} - V_{sat}}{I_{PK(switch)}} \times t_{on(min)}$ |

Note:  $V_{SAT}$  = Saturation voltage of the output switch

$V_F$  = Forward voltage drop of the output rectifier

The following power supply characteristics must be chosen:

$V_{IN}$  = Nominal input voltage

$V_{OUT}$  = Desired output voltage,  $|V_{OUT}| = 1.25 (1 + R_2/R_1)$

$I_{OUT}$  = Desired output current

$f_{MIN}$  = Minimum desired output switching frequency at the selected values of  $V_{IN}$  and  $I_O$

$V_{RIPPLE}$  = Desired peak to peak output ripple voltage. In practice, the calculated capacitor value will and 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.

Figure 19. Step-up with external NPN switch

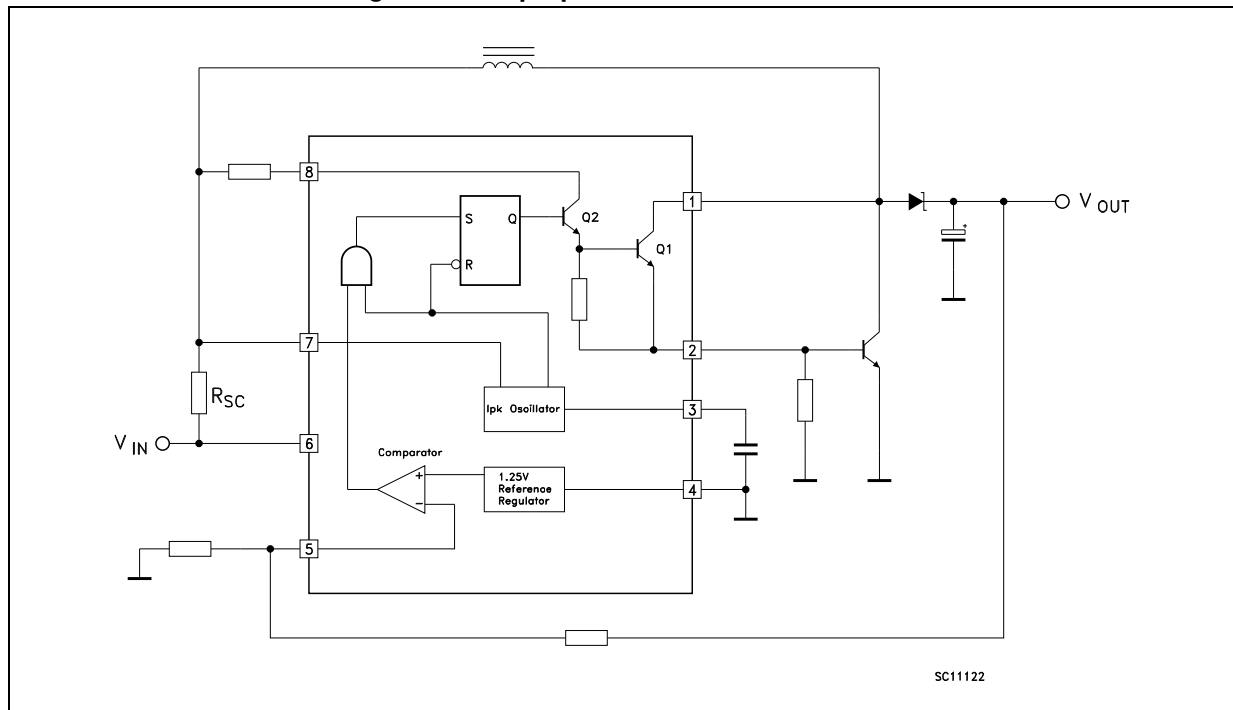


Figure 20. Step-down with external NPN switch

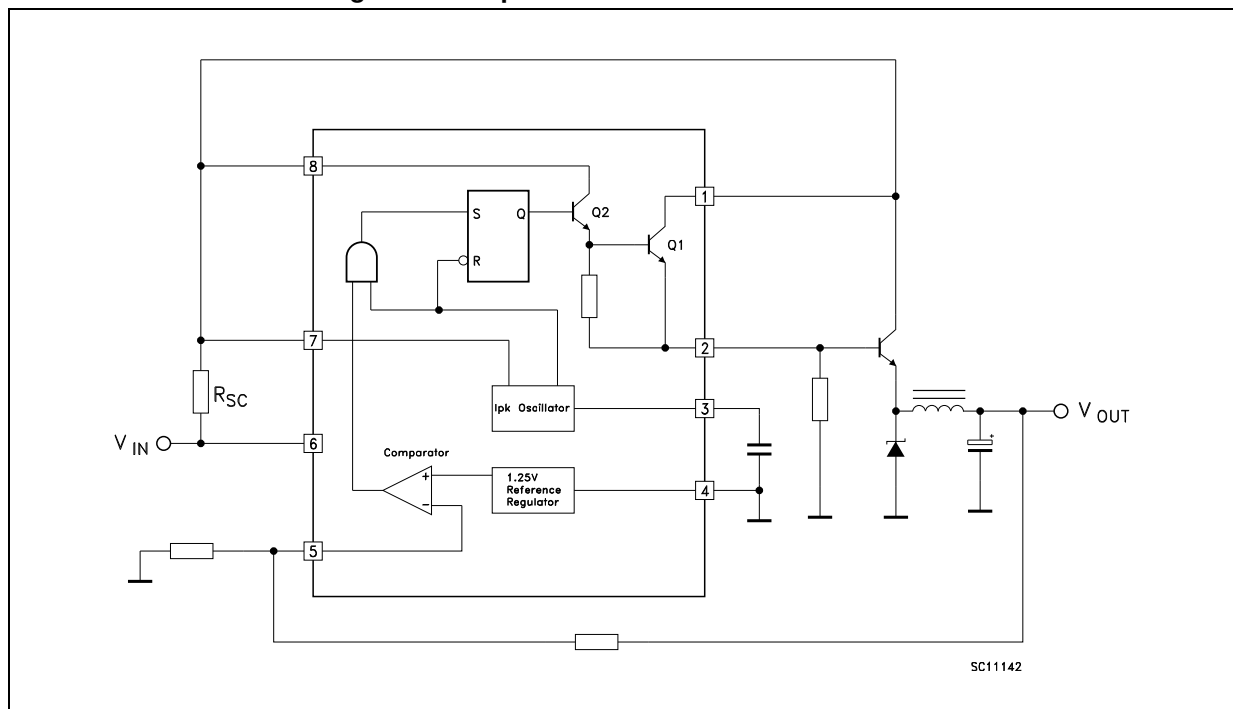


Figure 21. Step-down with external PNP switch

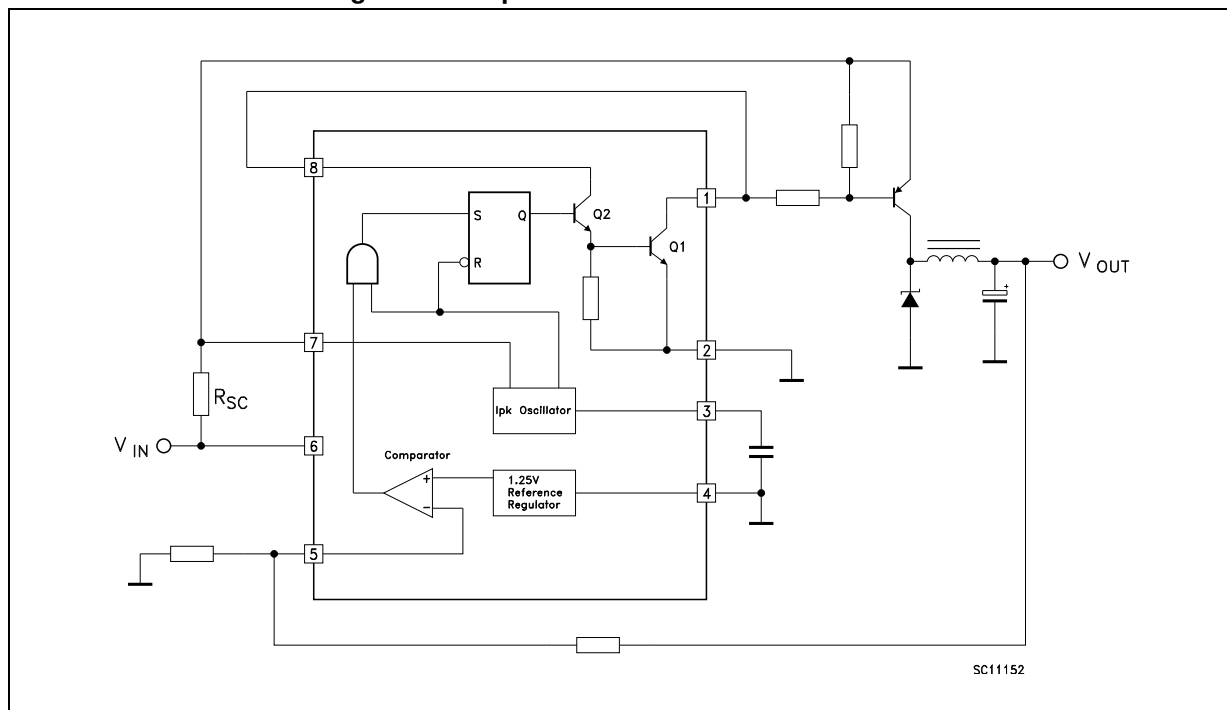


Figure 22. Voltage inverting with external NPN switch

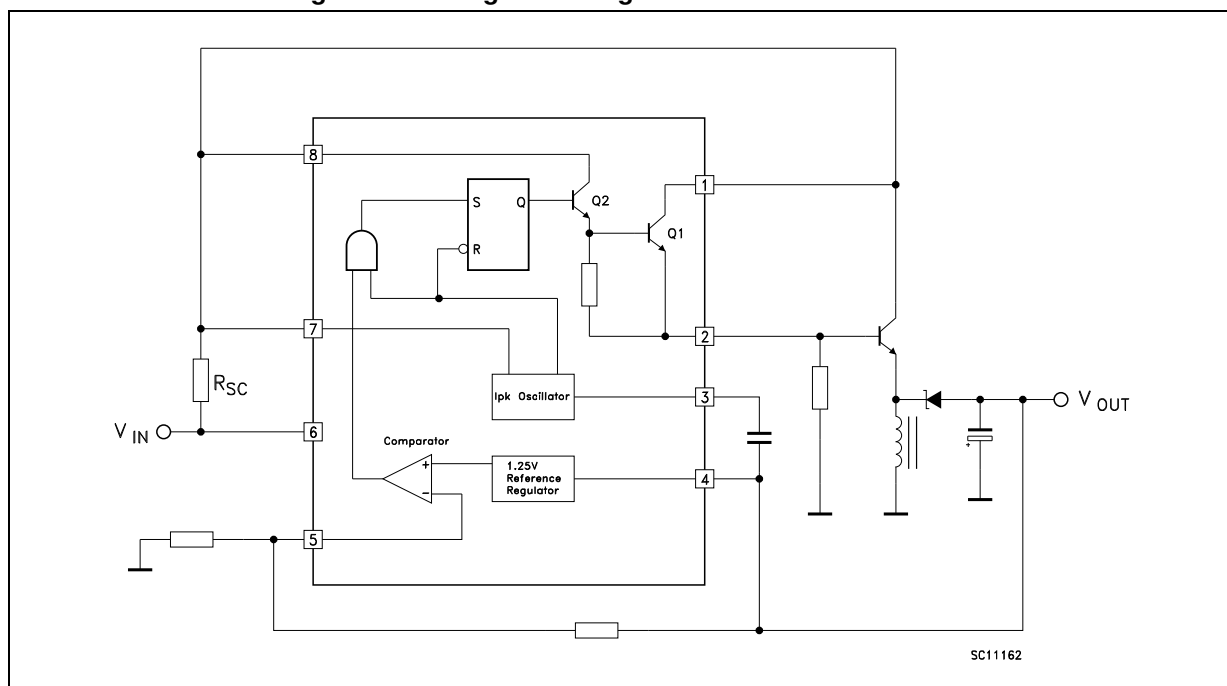


Figure 23. Voltage inverting with external PNP saturated switch

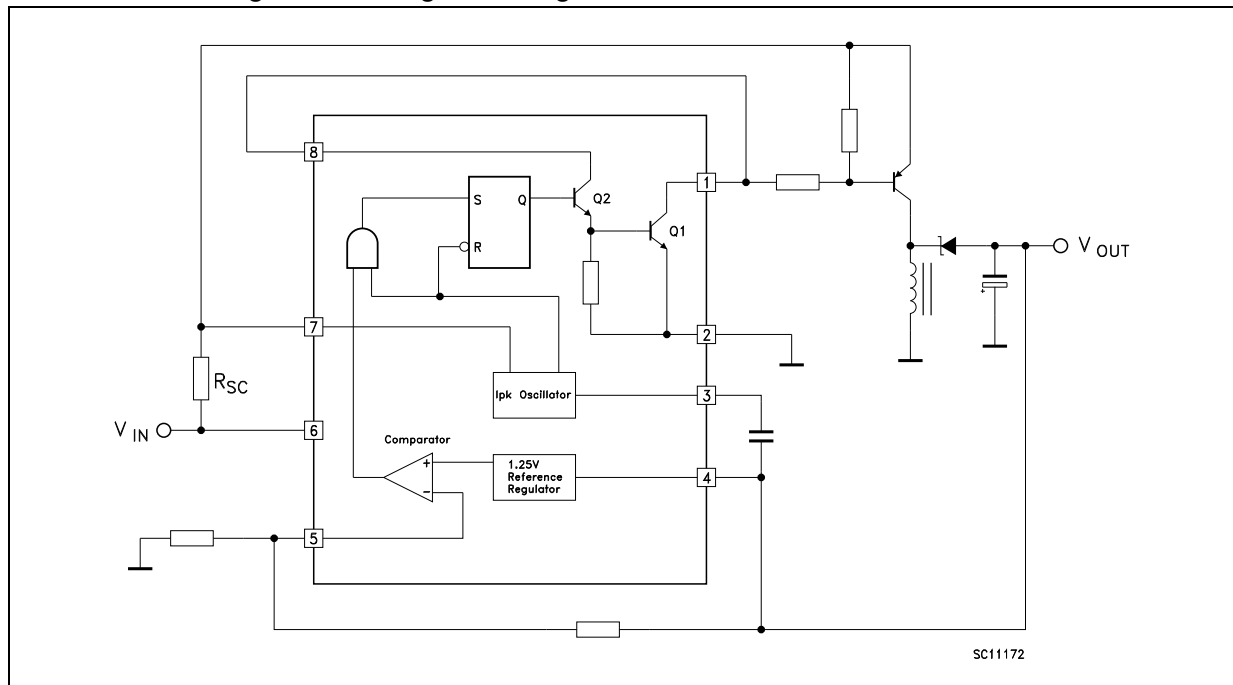


Figure 24. Dual output voltage

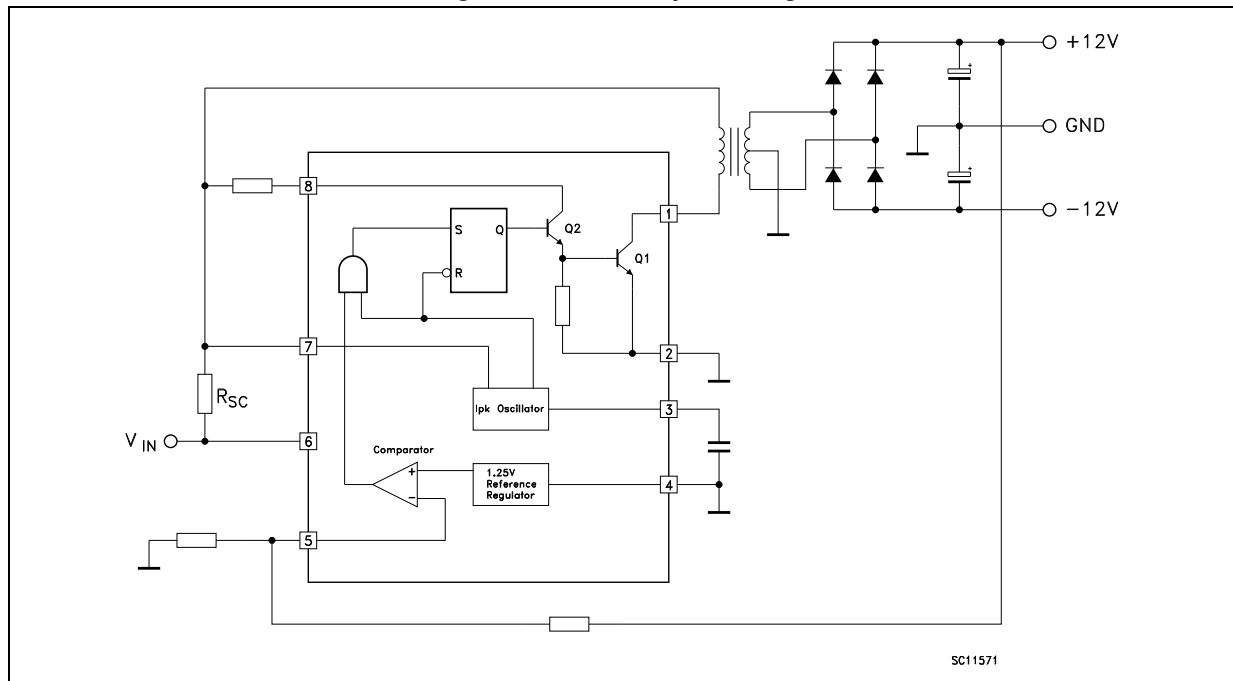
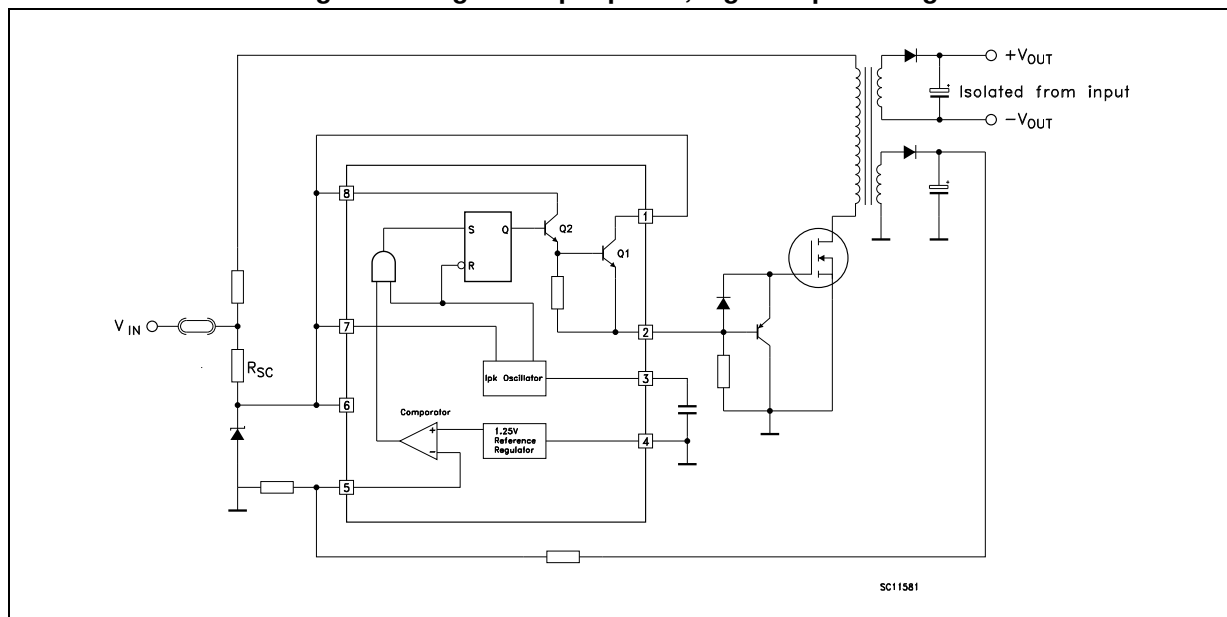


Figure 25. Higher output power, higher input voltage

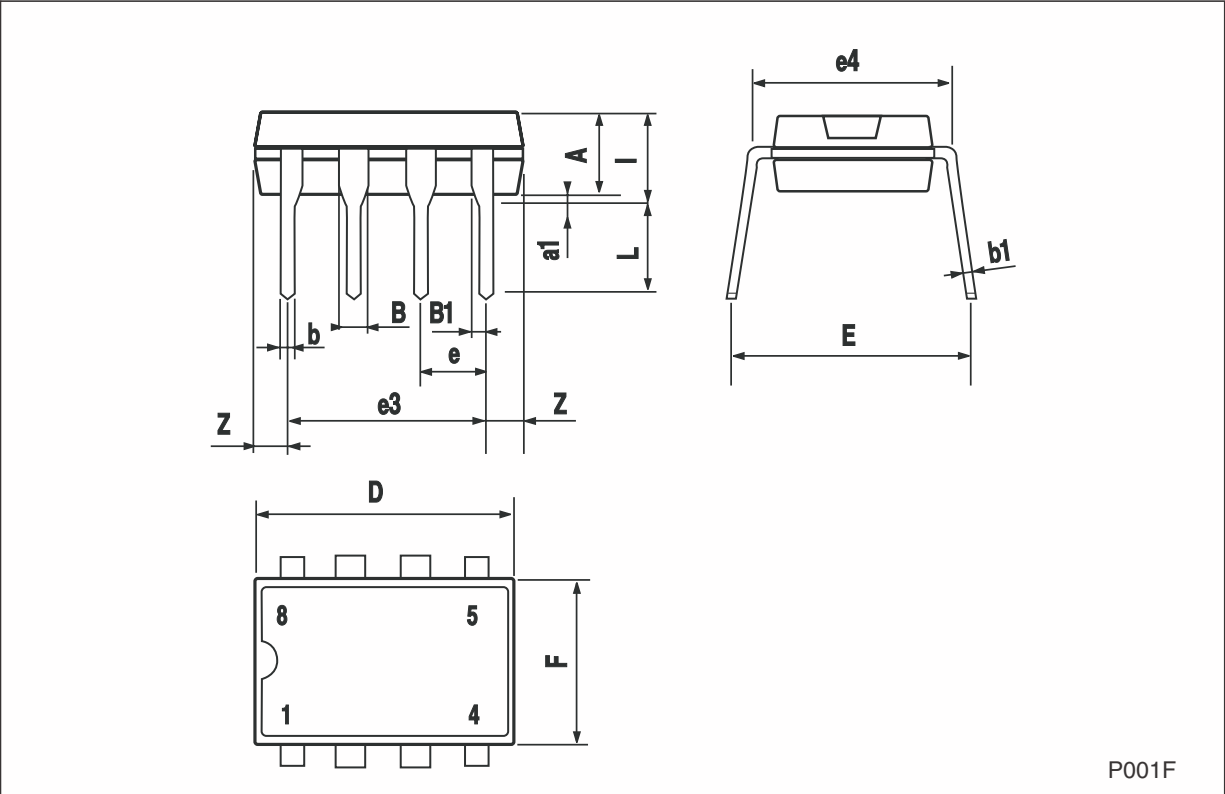


## 7 Package mechanical data

In order to meet environmental requirements, ST offers these devices in different grades of ECOPACK packages, depending on their level of environmental compliance. ECOPACK specifications, grade definitions and product status are available at: [www.st.com](http://www.st.com). ECOPACK is an ST trademark.

Plastic DIP-8 mechanical data

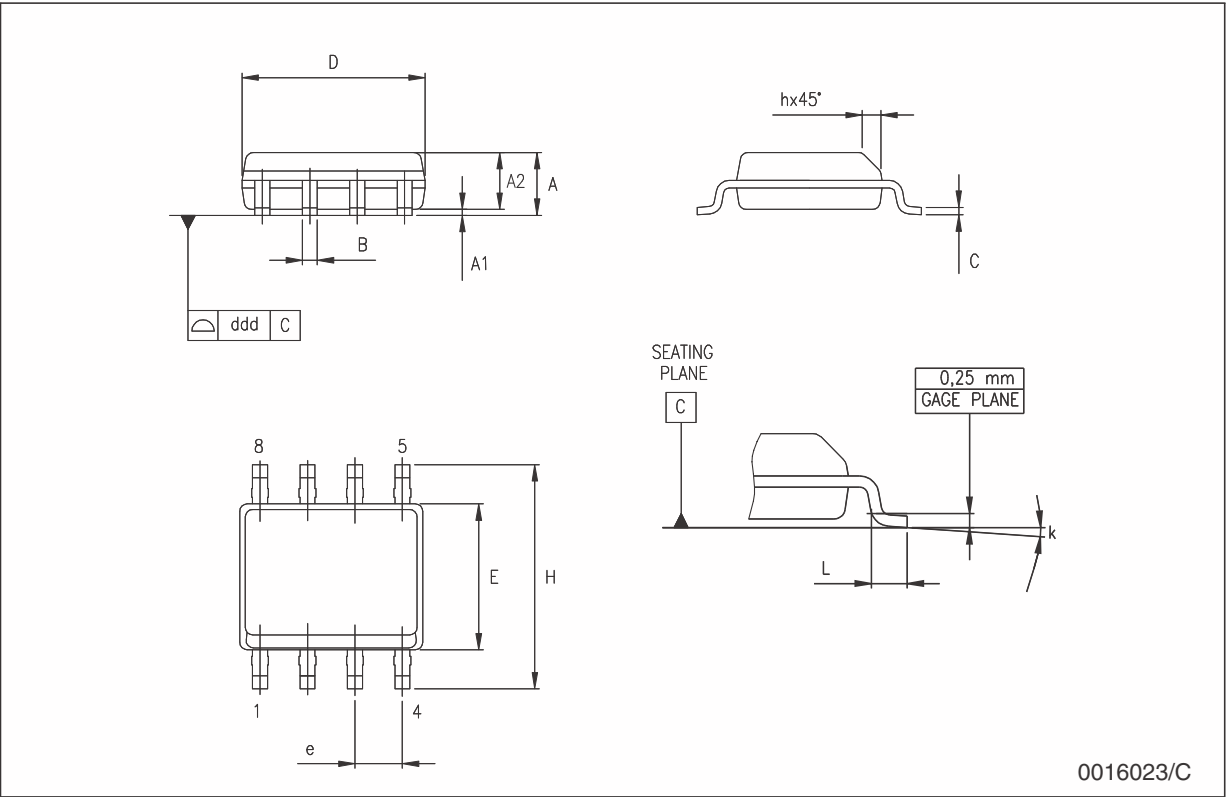
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|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
|      | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Min.  | Typ.  | Max.  |
| A    |      | 3.3  |      |       | 0.130 |       |
| a1   | 0.7  |      |      | 0.028 |       |       |
| B    | 1.39 |      | 1.65 | 0.055 |       | 0.065 |
| B1   | 0.91 |      | 1.04 | 0.036 |       | 0.041 |
| b    |      | 0.5  |      |       | 0.020 |       |
| b1   | 0.38 |      | 0.5  | 0.015 |       | 0.020 |
| D    |      |      | 9.8  |       |       | 0.386 |
| E    |      | 8.8  |      |       | 0.346 |       |
| e    |      | 2.54 |      |       | 0.100 |       |
| e3   |      | 7.62 |      |       | 0.300 |       |
| e4   |      | 7.62 |      |       | 0.300 |       |
| F    |      |      | 7.1  |       |       | 0.280 |
| I    |      |      | 4.8  |       |       | 0.189 |
| L    |      | 3.3  |      |       | 0.130 |       |
| Z    | 0.44 |      | 1.6  | 0.017 |       | 0.063 |



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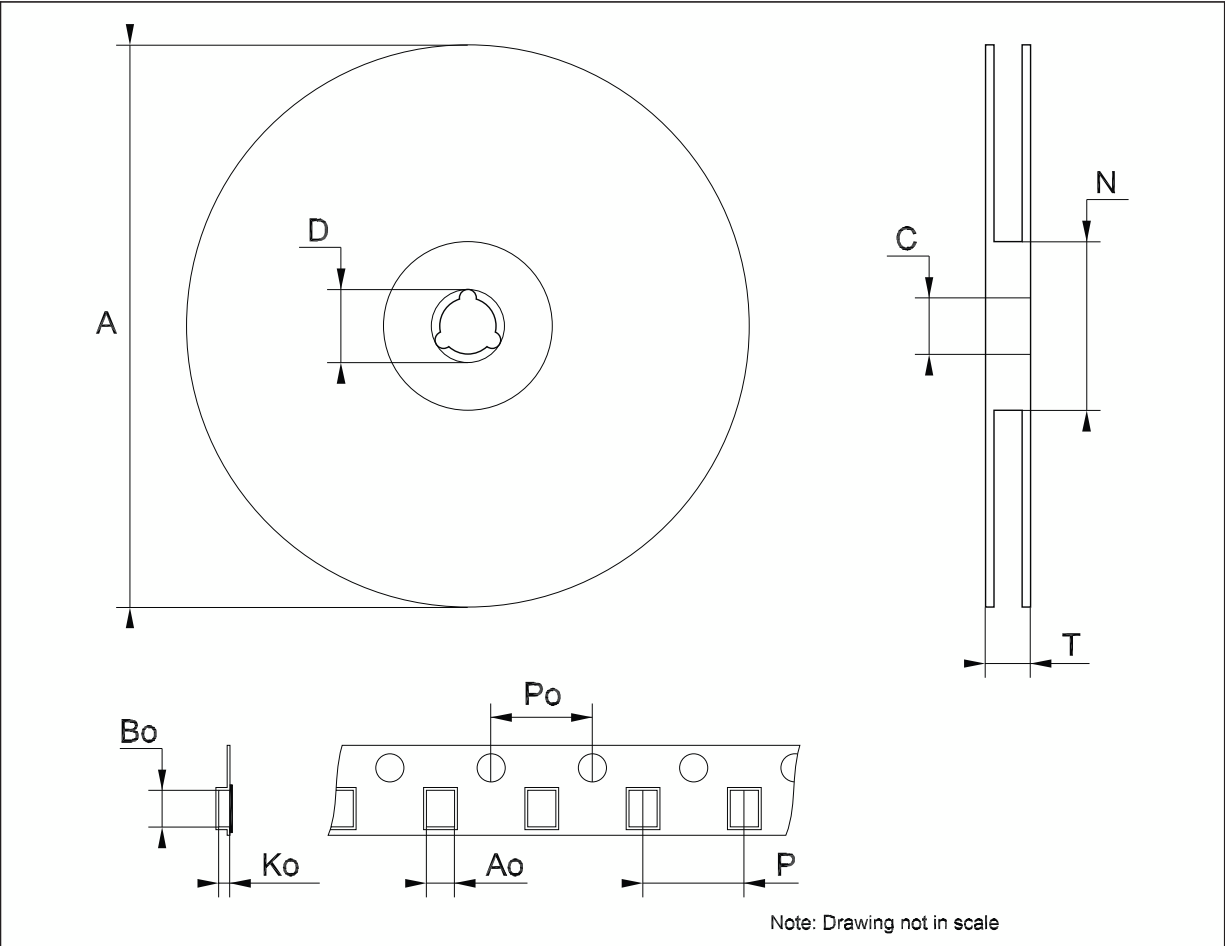
SO-8 mechanical data

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|------|-----------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
|      | Min.      | Typ. | Max. | Min.  | Typ.  | Max.  |
| A    | 1.35      |      | 1.75 | 0.053 |       | 0.069 |
| A1   | 0.10      |      | 0.25 | 0.04  |       | 0.010 |
| A2   | 1.10      |      | 1.65 | 0.043 |       | 0.065 |
| B    | 0.33      |      | 0.51 | 0.013 |       | 0.020 |
| C    | 0.19      |      | 0.25 | 0.007 |       | 0.010 |
| D    | 4.80      |      | 5.00 | 0.189 |       | 0.197 |
| E    | 3.80      |      | 4.00 | 0.150 |       | 0.157 |
| e    |           | 1.27 |      |       | 0.050 |       |
| H    | 5.80      |      | 6.20 | 0.228 |       | 0.244 |
| h    | 0.25      |      | 0.50 | 0.010 |       | 0.020 |
| L    | 0.40      |      | 1.27 | 0.016 |       | 0.050 |
| k    | 8° (max.) |      |      |       |       |       |
| ddd  |           |      | 0.1  |       |       | 0.04  |



Tape & reel SO-8 mechanical data

| Dim. | mm.  |      |      | inch. |      |        |
|------|------|------|------|-------|------|--------|
|      | Min. | Typ. | Max. | Min.  | Typ. | Max.   |
| A    |      |      | 330  |       |      | 12.992 |
| C    | 12.8 |      | 13.2 | 0.504 |      | 0.519  |
| D    | 20.2 |      |      | 0.795 |      |        |
| N    | 60   |      |      | 2.362 |      |        |
| T    |      |      | 22.4 |       |      | 0.882  |
| Ao   | 8.1  |      | 8.5  | 0.319 |      | 0.335  |
| Bo   | 5.5  |      | 5.9  | 0.216 |      | 0.232  |
| Ko   | 2.1  |      | 2.3  | 0.082 |      | 0.090  |
| Po   | 3.9  |      | 4.1  | 0.153 |      | 0.161  |
| P    | 7.9  |      | 8.1  | 0.311 |      | 0.319  |



## 8 Revision history

**Table 13. Document revision history**

| Date        | Revision | Changes                                                                                                                   |
|-------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 20-Nov-2007 | 10       | Added Table 1.                                                                                                            |
| 24-Apr-2013 | 11       | Removed note in Table 1.                                                                                                  |
| 11-Feb-2020 | 12       | Corrected a typo on Reg <sub>line</sub> parameter (from 5 mV Max. to 10 mV Max.) in <a href="#">Table 7: Comparator</a> . |

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