

LTM8083 36V, 1.5A Buck-Boost µModule Regulator

- <sup>n</sup> **Complete Buck-Boost Switch Mode Power Supply**
- <sup>n</sup> **Wide Input Voltage Range: 3V to 36V**
- Wide Output Voltage Range: **1V** to 36V
- $\blacksquare$  12V/0.8A Output at 6V<sub>IN</sub>
- **n 12V/1.5A Output at 12V**<sub>IN</sub>
- $\blacksquare$  **12V/1.5A Output at 36V<sub>IN</sub>**
- Integrated Three-Terminal Capacitors and Spread **Spectrum for Excellent EMI Performance**
- Compliant with CISPR25 Class 5 Limits (Refer to **[Figure 25](#page-20-0))**
- 300kHz to 2MHz Fixed Switching Frequency with External Frequency Synchronization
- Adiustable Output Current Limit
- Output Current Monitoring
- RoHS Compliant Package
- 6.25mm  $\times$  6.25mm  $\times$  2.22mm BGA Package

### **APPLICATIONS**

- Battery-Operated Devices
- Test and Measurement Equipment
- **n** Industrial Control
- Solar-Powered Voltage Regulator
- Solar-Powered Battery Charging

# TYPICAL APPLICATION



#### FEATURES DESCRIPTION

The LTM®8083 is a 36V<sub>IN</sub>, buck-boost µModule<sup>®</sup> regulator. Included in the package is the switching controller, the power switches, an inductor, and support components. All that is needed to complete the design is resistors for setting the output voltage and operating frequency, and input and output capacitors. Operating over an input voltage range from 3V to 36V, the LTM8083 can regulate output voltages between 1V and 36V with seamless low noise transitions between operation regions, as well as controlling both input and output average currents through external sense resistors.

The low profile package enables utilization of unused space on the bottom of PC boards for high density pointof-load regulation. The LTM8083 is packaged in thermally enhanced, compact over-molded Ball Grid Array (BGA) package suitable for automated assembly by standard surface mount equipment. The LTM8083 is RoHS compliant.

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## <span id="page-1-0"></span>ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS PIN CONFIGURATION

**(Note 1)**



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# ORDER INFORMATION



• Contact the factory for parts specified with wider operating temperature ranges. Pad or ball finish code is per IPC/JEDEC J-STD-609.

\*The temperature grade is identified by a label on the shipping container.

• Recommended LGA and BGA PCB Assembly and Manufacturing Procedures

• LGA and BGA Package and Tray Drawings

#### **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** The  $\bullet$  denotes the specifications which apply over the full operating

**temperature range, otherwise specifications are at TA = 25°C. VIN = SVIN = 12V, VEN/UVLO = 1.5V, unless otherwise noted.**



**Note 1:** Stresses beyond those listed under [Absolute Maximum Ratings](#page-1-0)  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:** The LTM8083E is guaranteed to meet performance specifications from 0°C to 125°C operating junction temperature. Specifications over the –40°C to 125°C operating junction temperature range are assured by design, characterization and correlation with statistical process controls. The LTM8083I is guaranteed over the –40°C to 125°C operating junction temperature range.

**Note 3:** The LTM8083 includes overtemperature protection that is intended to protect the device during momentary overload conditions. Junction temperature will exceed 150°C when overtemperature protection is active. Continuous operation above the specified absolute maximum operating junction temperature may impair device reliability or permanently damage the device.

**Note 4:** See output current derating curves for different  $V_{IN}$ ,  $V_{OUT}$  and  $T_A$ .

### <span id="page-3-0"></span>TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS **TA = 25°C, unless otherwise noted.**













**36V<sub>OUT</sub>** Efficiency 100 95 90 EFFICIENCY (%) EFFICIENCY (%) 85 80  $V_{IN} = 12V$  $V_{\text{IN}} = 18V$ 75  $-V_{\text{IN}}^{\text{III}} = 24V$  $\cdot \cdot \cdot V_{IN}^{IN} = 36V$ <sub>70</sub> l 0 0.3 0.6 0.9 1.2 1.5 LOAD CURRENT (A) 8083 G07





#### **Transient Response from 5V<sub>IN</sub>** to 5V<sub>OUT</sub>



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Start-Up with 24V<sub>IN</sub> and 12V<sub>OUT</sub> **at IOUT = 1.5A**



Start-Up with 36V<sub>IN</sub> and 12V<sub>OUT</sub> **at**  $I_{OUT} = 1.5A$ 



 $V_{1N}$  = 36V,  $V_{OUT}$  = 12V,  $f_{SW}$  = 1MHz, 1.5A  $C<sub>OUT</sub>$  = 10μF CERAMIC  $S$ OFT-START CAPACITOR =  $0.1 \mu$ F USE EN/UVLO PIN TO CONTROL START-UP



**Short-Circuit with 6VIN and 12VOUT at IOUT = 0.8A**



#### **Short-Circuit with 12V<sub>IN</sub> and**  $12V_{OUT}$  at  $I_{OUT}$  = 1.5A











### PIN FUNCTIONS



**PACKAGE ROW AND COLUMN LABELING MAY VARY AMONG µModule PRODUCTS. REVIEW EACH PACKAGE LAYOUT CAREFULLY.**

**GND (Bank 0, Pin D7):** Tie these GND pins to a local ground plane below the LTM8083 and the circuit components. In most applications, the majority of the heat of the LTM8083 flows out through these pads, so the printed circuit design has a large impact on the thermal performance of the part. See the [PC Board Layout Checklist/](#page-18-0) [Examples](#page-18-0) and [Thermal Considerations and Output Current](#page-13-0)  [Derating](#page-13-0) sections for more details. Return the feedback divider ( $R_{FB}$ ) to this net.

**V<sub>IN</sub> (Bank 1):** Input Power. The V<sub>IN</sub> pin supplies current to the internal power switches. These pins must be locally bypassed with an external, low ESR ceramic capacitor.

**V<sub>OUT</sub> (Bank 2):** Power Output Pins. Apply the output filter capacitor and the output load between these pins and GND pins.

**SV<sub>IN</sub>** (Pin A6): Bias Supply. The SV<sub>IN</sub> pin supplies the internal circuitry and the  $INTV_{CC}$  linear regulator. Connect this pin to  $V_{IN}$  or another power supply. Bypass this pin to ground with a ceramic capacitor.

**TST2 (Pin A7):** Test Pin 2. This pin is used in production testing. Do not drive a voltage into this pin; this pin must be tied to GND.

**EN/UVLO (Pin B6):** Enable and Undervoltage Lockout. Force the pin below 0.3V to shut down the part and reduce  $V_{IN}$  quiescent current to 0.9µA. Force the pin above 1.240V for normal operation. The accurate 1.210V falling threshold can be used to program an undervoltage lockout (UVLO) threshold with a resistor divider from  $V_{IN}$  to ground. An accurate 2.5μA pull-down current allows the programming of  $V_{IN}$  UVLO hysteresis. If neither function is used, tie this pin directly to  $V_{IN}$ .

**OVLO (Pin B7):** Overvoltage Lockout. The OVLO pin is used to program an overvoltage lockout (OVLO) threshold with a resistor divider from  $V_{\text{IN}}$  to ground. Force the pin above 1.250V to pull SS pin to ground and stop switching. If not used, tie this pin to ground.

**INTV<sub>CC</sub>** (Pin C6): Internal 3.6V Linear Regulator Output. Powered from the  $SV_{IN}$  pin, the INTV<sub>CC</sub> supplies the internal control circuitry and gate drivers. No decoupling ceramic capacitor is required.

**CTRL (Pin C7):** ISP – ISN Current Sense Adjustment. The voltage on this pin determines current limit threshold voltage of ISP – ISN. The current limit threshold is 100mV when this pin is floated. Apply a voltage below 1.35V to reduce the current limit threshold of ISP – ISN across the output sense resistor. This pin is internally pulled up to 2V reference voltage with a 100k resistor. See the [Applications Information](#page-9-0) section for more details.

**ISMON (Pin D6):** ISP – ISN Current Monitor. This pin produces a voltage that is 10 times the voltage of  $V_{\text{ISP}}$  –  $V_{\rm ISN}$  plus 0.25V offset voltage. ISMON will equal 1.25V when  $V_{\text{ISP}} - V_{\text{ISM}} = 100 \text{mV}$ .

V<sub>C</sub> (Pin E6): Error Amplifier Output. The V<sub>C</sub> pin is normally left open in LTM8083 applications as it is already internally compensated.

**RT (Pin E7):** Switching Frequency Setting. Connect a resistor from this pin to ground to set the internal oscillator frequency from 300kHz to 2MHz. See [Table 1](#page-9-1) for resistor values to set common switching frequencies.

**ISN (Pin F3):** Negative Terminal of Current Sense Resistor. Ensure accurate current sense with Kelvin connection.

**SS (Pin F6):** Soft-Start. A 10nF capacitor has been integrated inside LTM8083 for start-up. To increase the built-in soft-start time, connect a capacitor from SS to GND. If no additional soft-start time is required, leave this pin floating.

**FB (Pin F7):** Feedback. The LTM8083 regulates its FB pin to 1V. Connect a resistor divider from this pin to the output and to ground to set the output voltage. When an output current sense resistor is connected to ISP and ISN, connect the resistor network to ISN for improved load regulation.

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**ISP (Pin G3):** Positive Terminal of Current Sense Resistor. Ensure accurate current sense with Kelvin connection.

**SYNC (Pin G6):** Switching Frequency Synchronization or Spread Spectrum Enable. Ground this pin to switch at the internal oscillator frequency. Apply a clock signal for external frequency synchronization. Tie to  $INTV_{CC}$ for 25% triangle spread spectrum above internal oscillator frequency.

**TST1 (Pin G7):** Test Pin 1. This pin is used in production testing. This pin must be floated. Do not drive a voltage to this pin.



# BLOCK DIAGRAM

# **OPERATION**

The LTM8083 is a standalone nonisolated buck-boost switching DC/DC power supply. The buck-boost topology allows the LTM8083 to regulate its output voltage below or above input voltage. Maximum output current is determined by the input voltage. Higher input voltages yield higher maximum output current.

The LTM8083 contains ADI's proprietary peak-buck peakboost current mode controller with four internal low resistance N-channel DMOS switches, power inductor and a modest amount of input and output capacitors.

This control scheme directly senses the inductor current across the internal power switches and provides smooth transition between buck region, buck-boost region and boost region. A simplified block diagram is given on the previous page. A precisely regulated output voltage is programmable via an external resistor divider from 1V to 36V. The input voltage range is from 3V to 36V.

The LTM8083 is a fixed frequency PWM regulator. A resistor from RT pin to GND sets the switching frequency from 300kHz to 2MHz, allowing applications to be optimized for broad area and efficiency. Driving the SYNC pin will synchronize the LTM8083 to an external clock source.

In addition to the voltage control loop, the LTM8083 is equipped with average current control loop for the output. Add a current sense resistor between ISP and ISN to limit the output current below the maximum value set by the CTRL pin. The ISMON pin reflects the current flowing through the sense resistor.

A voltage less than 1.35V applied to the CTRL pin reduces the maximum output current. The current flowing through the sense resistor is reflected by the voltage of the ISMON pin. Drive CTRL pin below 0.2V to stop switching.

At light load, the LTM8083 typically runs at its switching frequency in discontinuous conduction mode. Both buck and boost reverse current sense thresholds are set to be zero, thus preventing any reverse current flowing from the output to the input.

As the load becomes lower and lower, the LTM8083 may run in pulse-skipping mode, where the switches are held off for multiple cycles (i.e., skipping pulses) to maintain the regulation.

The LTM8083 enters shutdown mode with less than 0.9μA quiescent current when the EN/UVLO pin is below its shutdown threshold (0.3V minimum).

The LTM8083 is equipped with a thermal shutdown that inhibits operation when junction temperature is above 165°C. Prolonged or repetitive operation at junction temperature higher than 125°C may damage or impair the reliability of the device.

A low-ESL 10nF three-terminal capacitor is added on the input side as well as output side, improving noise decoupling for better EMI performance. With a small filter and Spread Spectrum function enabled, the LTM8083 module passes CISPR25 Class 5 conducted and radiated EMI standards. Refer to [Figure 2](#page-10-0) and [Figure 3](#page-10-1) for more details.

<span id="page-9-0"></span>The front page shows a typical LTM8083 application circuit. This Applications Information section serves as a guideline of selecting external components for typical applications. The examples and equations in this section assume continuous conduction mode unless otherwise specified.

#### **Programming Output Voltage and Thresholds**

The LTM8083 has a voltage feedback pin FB that can be used to program a constant-voltage output. The output voltage can be set by selecting the values of R5 and R6 ([Figure 1](#page-9-2)) according to the following equation:



**Figure 1. Feedback Resistor Connection**

In addition, the FB pin also sets output overvoltage threshold. Once the FB pin hits its overvoltage threshold 1.05V, the LTM8083 stops switching by turning off all four power switches for protection. The output overvoltage threshold can be set as:

 $V_{\text{OUT(OVP)}} = 1.05 \text{V} \cdot \frac{\text{R5} + \text{R6}}{\text{R6}}$ R6

#### **Switching Frequency Selection**

The LTM8083 uses a constant frequency control scheme between 300kHz and 2MHz. Selection of the switching frequency is a trade-off between efficiency and capacitor size to filter input and output voltage switching noise. Low frequency operation improves efficiency by reducing MOSFET switching loss but requires larger capacitor values. In a noise-sensitive system, the switching frequency is usually selected to keep the switching noise out of a sensitive frequency band. For most applications, 1MHz switching frequency is recommended.

#### **Switching Frequency Setting**

The switching frequency of the LTM8083 can be set by the internal oscillator. With the SYNC pin pulled to ground, the switching frequency is set by a resistor from the RT pin to ground. [Table 1](#page-9-1) shows  $R<sub>T</sub>$  resistor values for common switching frequencies.

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#### <span id="page-9-2"></span>**Spread Spectrum Frequency Modulation**

Switching regulators can be particularly troublesome for applications where electromagnetic interference (EMI) is a concern. To improve the EMI performance, the LTM8083 implements a triangle spread spectrum frequency modulation scheme. With the SYNC pin tied to  $INTV_{CC}$ , the LTM8083 starts to spread its switching frequency 25% above the internal oscillator frequency. Besides, a low-ESL three-terminal capacitor is added on the input side as well as output side to further improve the EMI performance. [Figure 2](#page-10-0) and [Figure 3](#page-10-1) show the noise spectrum of the front page application with spread spectrum enabled and a small EMI filter at  $12V_{IN}$ ,  $12V_{OIII}$ , and 1A load current. The detailed schematic is shown in [Figure 25.](#page-20-0)

#### **Frequency Synchronization**

The LTM8083 switching frequency can be synchronized to an external clock using the SYNC pin. Driving the SYNC with a 50% duty cycle waveform is always a good choice, otherwise maintain the duty cycle between 10% and 90%. Due to the use of a phase-locked loop (PLL) inside, there

#### 80 CLASS 5 LIMITS AVERAGE CONDUCTED EMISSIONS (dBµV) AVERAGE CONDUCTED EMISSIONS (dBμV) 70 MAX EMISSIONS 60 50 40 30 20 10  $\Omega$ –10 –20 150k 1M 10M 108M FREQUENCY (Hz) 8083 F02

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<span id="page-10-0"></span>**Figure 2. CISPR25 Average Conducted EMI**



**Figure 3. CISPR25 Average Radiated EMI**

is no restriction between the synchronization frequency and the internal oscillator frequency. The rising edge of the synchronization clock represents the beginning of a switching cycle.

#### **C<sub>IN</sub>** and C<sub>OUT</sub> Selection

Input and output capacitors are necessary to suppress voltage ripple caused by discontinuous current moving in or out of the regulator. A parallel combination of capacitors is typically used to achieve high capacitance and low equivalent series resistance (ESR). Dry tantalum, special polymer, aluminum electrolytic and ceramic capacitors are all available in surface mount packages. Capacitors with low ESR and high ripple current ratings, such as OS-CON and POSCAP are also available.

To suppress high frequency switching spikes, ceramic capacitors of at least  $1 \mu$ F should be placed from  $V_{IN}$  to GND and  $V_{\text{OUT}}$  to GND as close to the LTM8083 pins as possible. Due to their excellent low ESR characteristics, ceramic capacitors can significantly reduce input ripple voltage and help reduce power loss in the higher ESR bulk capacitors. X5R or X7R capacitors of dielectrics are preferred, as these materials retain their capacitance over wide voltage and temperature ranges. Other types, including Y5V and Z5U have very large temperature and voltage coefficients of capacitance. Many ceramic capacitors, particularly 0805 or 0603 case sizes, have greatly reduced capacitance at the desired operating voltage. In an application circuit, they may have only a small fraction of their nominal capacitance resulting in much higher output voltage ripple than expected.

#### **Input Capacitance C<sub>IN</sub>**

Discontinuous input current is highest in the buck region due to the top switch M1 toggling on and off. A 10nF low-ESL three-terminal capacitor is integrated inside the module to decouple high frequency input noise. Make sure that the  $C_{IN}$  capacitor network has low enough ESR and is sized to handle the maximum RMS current. In buck region, the input RMS current is given by:

$$
I_{RMS} = I_{0MAX} \cdot \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \sqrt{\frac{V_{IN}}{V_{OUT}} - 1}
$$

<span id="page-10-1"></span>The formula has a maximum at  $V_{\text{IN}} = 2V_{\text{OUT}}$ , where  $I_{\text{RMS}} =$ IoMAX/2. This simple worst-case condition is commonly used for design.

#### **Output Capacitance COUT**

Discontinuous current shifts from the input to the output in the boost region. Make sure that the  $C<sub>OUT</sub>$  capacitor network is capable of reducing the output voltage ripple. The effects of ESR and the bulk capacitance must be considered when choosing the right capacitor for a given

output ripple voltage. The maximum steady state ripple due to charging and discharging the bulk capacitance is given by:

$$
\Delta V_{CAP(BOOST)} = \frac{I_{OMAX} \cdot (V_{OUT} - V_{IN(MIN)})}{C_{OUT} \cdot V_{OUT} \cdot f_{SW}}
$$

$$
\Delta V_{CAP(BUCK)} = \frac{V_{OUT} \cdot (V_{IN(MAX)} - V_{OUT})}{8 \cdot L \cdot C_{OUT} \cdot V_{IN(MAX)} \cdot f_{SW}^2}
$$

The maximum steady ripple due to the voltage drop across the ESR is given by:

$$
\Delta V_{ESR(BOOST)} = \frac{V_{OUT} \cdot I_{0MAX}}{V_{IN(MAX)}} \cdot ESR
$$

$$
\Delta V_{ESR(BUCK)} = \frac{V_{OUT} \cdot (V_{IN(MAX)} - V_{OUT})}{V_{IN(MAX)} \cdot L \cdot f_{SW}} \cdot ESR
$$

The bulk output capacitors defined as  $C_{\text{OUT}}$  are chosen with low enough ESR to meet the output voltage ripple and transient requirements.  $C<sub>OIII</sub>$  can be the low ESR tantalum capacitor, the low ESR polymer capacitor or the ceramic capacitor. Multiple capacitors can be placed in parallel to meet the ESR and RMS current handling requirements. The typical capacitance is 10μF. Additional output filtering may be required by the system designer, if further reduction of output ripple or dynamic transient spike is required. A 10nF low-ESL three-terminal capacitor is integrated inside the module to decouple high frequency output noise. [Table 6](#page-17-0) shows a matrix of different output voltages and output capacitors to minimize the voltage droop and overshoot at a current transient.

#### **INTV<sub>CC</sub> Regulator**

An internal P-channel low dropout regulator produces 3.6V at the INTV<sub>CC</sub> pin from the SV<sub>IN</sub> supply pin. The  $INTV_{CC}$  powers internal circuitry and gate drivers in the LTM8083. No bypassing capacitor is required.

#### **Programming V<sub>IN</sub> UVLO and OVLO**

A resistor divider from  $V_{IN}$  to the EN/UVLO pin implements  $V_{IN}$  undervoltage lockout (UVLO). The EN/UVLO enable falling threshold is set at 1.21V with 30mV hysteresis. In addition, the EN/UVLO pin sinks 2.5µA when the voltage on the pin is below 1.21V. This current provides user programmable hysteresis based on the value of R1. The programmable UVLO thresholds are:

$$
V_{IN(UVLO+)} = 1.24V \cdot \frac{R1 + R2}{R2} + 2.5\mu A \cdot R1
$$

$$
V_{IN(UVLO-)} = 1.21V \cdot \frac{R1 + R2}{R2}
$$

[Figure 4](#page-11-0) shows the implementation of external shutdown control while still using the UVLO function. The NMOS grounds the EN/UVLO pin when turned on, and puts the LTM8083 in shutdown with 0.9µA quiescent current.



<span id="page-11-0"></span>**Figure 4. V<sub>IN</sub> Undervoltage Lockout (UVLO)** 

A resistor divider from  $V_{IN}$  to the OVLO pin implements  $V_{IN}$ overvoltage lockout (OVLO). The OVLO rising threshold is set at 1.235V with 115mV falling hysteresis. [Figure 5](#page-11-1)  shows the implementation of  $V_{IN}$  OVLO function. The programmable OVLO thresholds are:

$$
V_{IN(OVLO+)} = 1.235V \cdot \frac{R3 + R4}{R4}
$$

$$
V_{IN(OVLO-)} = 1.120V \cdot \frac{R3 + R4}{R4}
$$



<span id="page-11-1"></span>Figure 5. V<sub>IN</sub> Overvoltage Lockout (OVLO)

#### **Programming Current Limit Threshold**

The ISP – ISN current is programmed by placing a current sensing resistor,  $R_{CS}$ , in series with the output. The voltage drop across  $R_{CS}$  is (Kelvin) sensed by the ISP and ISN pins. The voltage on CTRL pin determines current limit threshold voltage of ISP – ISN. The default setting of the current limit threshold is full-scale 100mV. The CTRL pin is pulled up to 2V reference voltage with a 100k resistor internally. A resistor can be added between CTRL and GND to form a voltage divider or an external voltage below 1.3V can be applied to the CTRL pin to reduce the current limit threshold of ISP – ISN across the output sense resistor. When the CTRL pin voltage,  $V_{\text{CTRI}}$ , is less than 1.15V, the current limit threshold is:

$$
I_{CL} = \frac{V_{CTRL} - 250 \text{mV}}{10 \cdot R_{CS}}
$$

When  $V_{\text{CTRI}}$  is between 1.15V and 1.35V, the current limit threshold varies with  $V_{\text{CTRL}}$ , but departs from the equation above by an increasing amount as  $V_{\text{CTRI}}$  increases. Ultimately, when  $V_{\text{CTRI}} > 1.35V$  the output current threshold is 100mV and no longer varies. The typical  $V_{(ISP - ISN)}$ threshold vs  $V_{\text{CTRI}}$  is listed in [Table 2](#page-12-0).

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When  $V_{\text{CTR}}$  is higher than 1.35V, the output current limit threshold is:

$$
I_{CL} = \frac{100 \text{mV}}{R_{CS}}
$$

The CTRL pin can also be used in conjunction with a thermistor to provide overtemperature protection for the output load, or with a resistor divider to  $V_{IN}$  to reduce output power and switching current when  $V_{IN}$  is low. The presence of a time varying differential voltage ripple signal across ISP and ISN at the switching frequency is expected. The amplitude of this signal is increased by higher load current, lower switching frequency, or smaller value output filter capacitor. Some level of ripple signal is acceptable, and the compensation capacitor on the  $V_C$ pin filters the signal so the average difference between ISP and ISN is regulated to the user-programmed value. The ripple voltage amplitude (peak-to-peak) in excess of 20mV should not cause misoperation, but may lead to noticeable offset between the average value and the user-programmed value.

#### **Monitoring Sensed Current**

The ISMON pin provides a linear indication of the current flowing through the sensing resistor on the output. It outputs a buffered and amplified monitor of the voltage difference between ISP and ISN pins. The equation for VISMON is:

 $V_{\text{ISMON}} = 10 \cdot V_{\text{(ISP - ISN)}} + 250 \text{mV}$ 

#### **Soft-Start**

The SS pin can be used to program soft-start by connecting an external capacitor  $C_{SS}$  from the SS pin to ground. A 10nF capacitor has been integrated inside the module. The internal 32µA pull-up current charges up the capacitor, creating a voltage ramp on the SS pin. As the SS pin voltage rises linearly from 0.25V to 1V (and beyond), the output voltage rises smoothly and transitions into output voltage regulation. The soft-start range is defined to be the voltage range from 0V to the FB voltage, which is 1V when output is regulated. The soft-start time can be approximately calculated as:

$$
t_{SS} = 1V \cdot \frac{C_{SS} + 10nF}{32\mu A}
$$

Make sure the  $C_{SS}$  is at least five to ten times larger than the optional compensation capacitor on the  $V_C$  pin.

#### **Loop Compensation**

The LTM8083 has already been internally compensated and should be stable for all output voltages and capacitor combinations including all ceramic capacitor applications. If more switching noise attenuation is required, an optional capacitor can be added on  $V_C$  pin to ground

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outside of the module. Furthermore, to further increase the bandwidth and phase margin of the circuit, a feedforward capacitor ( $C_{FF}$ ) could be added by connecting from  $V_{\text{OUT}}$  to FB pin which is in parallel with R5 in [Figure 1.](#page-9-2)

The LTpowerCAD® design tool is available to download online to perform specific control loop optimization and analyze the control stability and load transient performance.

#### <span id="page-13-0"></span>**Thermal Considerations and Output Current Derating**

The thermal resistances reported in the [Pin Configuration](#page-1-1)  section are consistent with those parameters defined by JESD51-12 and are intended for use with finite element analysis (FEA) software modeling tools that leverage the outcome of thermal modeling, simulation, and correlation to hardware evaluation performed on a µModule package mounted to a hardware test board. The motivation for providing these thermal coefficients is found in JESD51-12 (Guidelines for Reporting and Using Electronic Package Thermal Information).

Many designers may opt to use laboratory equipment and a test vehicle such as the demo board to anticipate the µModule regulator's thermal performance in their application at various electrical and environmental operating conditions to compliment any FEA activities. Without FEA software, the thermal resistances reported in the [Pin Configuration](#page-1-1) section are, in and of themselves, not relevant to providing guidance of thermal performance; instead, the derating curves provided in this data sheet can be used in a manner that yields insight and guidance pertaining to one's application usage, and can be adapted to correlate thermal performance to one's own application.

The [Pin Configuration](#page-1-1) section gives three thermal coefficients explicitly defined in JESD51-12; these coefficients are quoted or paraphrased below.

1.  $\theta_{JA}$ , the thermal resistance from junction to ambient, is the natural convection junction-to-ambient air thermal resistance measured in a one cubic foot sealed enclosure. This environment is sometimes referred to as "still air" although natural convection causes the air to move. This value is determined with the part mounted to a  $95$ mm  $\times$  76mm PCB with four layers.

- 2.  $\theta_{\text{JCbottom}}$ , the thermal resistance from junction to the bottom of the product case, is determined with all of the component power dissipation flowing through the bottom of the package. In the typical  $\mu$ Module regulator, the bulk of the heat flows out the bottom of the package, but there is always heat flow out into the ambient environment. As a result, this thermal resistance value may be useful for comparing packages, but the test conditions don't generally match the user's application.
- 3.  $\theta$ <sub>JCtop</sub>, the thermal resistance from junction to top of the product case, is determined with nearly all of the component power dissipation flowing through the top of the package. As the electrical connections of the typical µModule regulator are on the bottom of the package, it is rare for an application to operate such that most of the heat flows from the junction to the top of the part. As in the case of  $\theta_{\text{JCbottom}}$ , this value may be useful for comparing packages but the test conditions don't generally match the user's application.

A graphical representation of the aforementioned thermal resistances is given in [Figure 6;](#page-14-0) blue resistances are contained within the μModule regulator, whereas green resistances are external to the µModule package.

As a practical matter, it should be clear to the reader that no individual or sub-group of the three thermal resistance parameters defined by JESD51-12 or provided in the [Pin Configuration](#page-1-1) section replicates or conveys normal operating conditions of a μModule regulator. For example, in normal board-mounted applications, never does 100% of the device's total power loss (heat) thermally conduct exclusively through the top or exclusively through bottom of the µModule package—as the standard defines for  $\theta_{\text{JCtop}}$  and  $\theta_{\text{JCbottom}}$ , respectively. In practice, power loss is thermally dissipated in both directions away from the package—granted, in the absence of a heat sink and airflow, a majority of the heat flow is into the board.

Rev. A Within the LTM8083, be aware that there are multiple power devices and components dissipating power, with a consequence that the thermal resistances relative to different junctions of components or die are not exactly linear with respect to total package power loss. To reconcile this complication without sacrificing



**Figure 6. Graphical Approximation of the Thermal Coefficients, Including JESD51-12 Terms**

modeling simplicity—but also, not ignoring practical realities—an approach has been taken using FEA software modeling along with laboratory testing in a controlled environment chamber to reasonably define and correlate the thermal resistance values supplied in this data sheet: (1) Initially, FEA software is used to accurately build the mechanical geometry of the LTM8083 and the specified PCB with all of the correct material coefficients along with accurate power loss source definitions; (2) this model simulates a software-defined JEDEC environment consistent with JESD51-12 to predict power loss heat flow and temperature readings at different interfaces that enable the calculation of the JEDEC-defined thermal resistance values; (3) the model and FEA software is used to evaluate the LTM8083 with heat sink and airflow; (4) having solved for and analyzed these thermal resistance values and simulated various operating conditions in the software model, a thorough laboratory evaluation replicates the simulated conditions with thermocouples within a controlled environment chamber while operating the device at the same power loss as that which was simulated. An outcome of this process and due diligence yields the set of derating curves shown in this data sheet. After these laboratory tests have been performed and correlated to the LTM8083 model, then the  $\theta_{JA}$  is provided assuming approximately 100% of power loss flows from the junction through the board into ambient with no airflow or top mounted heat sink.

The 3.3V, 5V, 8V, 12V, 18V, 24V and 36V power loss curves in [Figure 7](#page-15-0) to [Figure 13](#page-15-1) can be used in coordination with the load current derating curves in [Figure 14](#page-15-2) to <span id="page-14-0"></span>[Figure 20](#page-16-0) for calculating an approximate  $\theta_{JA}$  thermal resistance for the LTM8083 with various airflow conditions. The power loss curves are taken at room temperature, and are increased with a multiplicative factor according to the ambient temperature. This approximate factor is: 1.2 for 120°C at junction temperature. Maximum load current is achievable while increasing ambient temperature as long as the junction temperature is less than 120°C, which is a 5°C guard band from maximum junction temperature of 125°C. When the ambient temperature reaches a point where the junction temperature is 120°C, then the load current is lowered to maintain the junction at 120°C while increasing ambient temperature up to 120°C. The derating curves are plotted with the output current starting at 1.5A and the ambient temperature at 30°C. The output voltages are 5V, 12V, and 36V. These are chosen to include the lower and higher output voltage ranges for correlating the thermal resistance. Thermal models are derived from several temperature measurements in a controlled temperature chamber along with thermal modeling analysis. The junction temperatures are monitored while ambient temperature is increased with and without airflow. The power loss increase with ambient temperature change is factored into the derating curves. The junctions are maintained at 120°C maximum while lowering output current or power with increasing ambient temperature. The decreased output current will decrease the internal module loss as ambient temperature is increased. The monitored junction temperature of 120°C minus the ambient operating temperature specifies how much module temperature rise can be allowed. As an example, in [Figure 18](#page-16-1)  the load current is derated to 0.6A at ~100°C with no air



<span id="page-15-0"></span>**Figure 7. Power Loss at 3.3V<sub>OUT</sub> Figure 8. Power Loss at 5V<sub>OUT</sub> Figure 9. Power Loss at 8V<sub>OUT</sub>** 









<span id="page-15-1"></span>Figure 13. Power Loss at 36V<sub>OUT</sub> Figure 14. 5V to 5V Derating



**Figure 10. Power Loss at 12V<sub>OUT</sub> Figure 11. Power Loss at 18V<sub>OUT</sub> Figure 12. Power Loss at 24V<sub>OUT</sub>** 

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<span id="page-15-2"></span>**Curve, No Heat Sink**

<span id="page-15-4"></span>



<span id="page-15-3"></span>**Figure 15. 12V to 5V Derating Curve, No Heat Sink**







1.6 1.4

**Figure 17. 12V to 12V Derating Curve, No Heat Sink**

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<span id="page-16-4"></span>**Figure 19. 12V to 36V Derating Curve, No Heat Sink**

**Curve, No Heat Sink**

0LFM 200LFM 400LFM

**Figure 18. 36V to 12V Derating** 

30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100 110 120 AMBIENT TEMPERATURE (°C)

<span id="page-16-1"></span>8083 F18



LOAD CURRENT (A)

.0AD CURRENT

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1.6 1.4 1.2 1.0 0.8 0.6 0.4

 $^{0}$  50

0.2

<span id="page-16-0"></span>**Curve, No Heat Sink**

flow or heat sink and the power loss for the 36V to 12V at 0.6A output is about 0.84W. The 0.84W loss is calculated with the 0.7W room temperature loss from the 36V to 12V power loss curve at 0.6A, and the 1.2 multiplying factor at 120°C junction temperature. If the 100°C ambient temperature is subtracted from the 120°C junction temperature, then the difference of 20°C divided by 0.84W equals a 23.8°C/W  $\theta_{JA}$  thermal resistance. [Table 4](#page-17-1) specifies a 23°C/W value which is very close. [Table 3](#page-17-2), [Table 4](#page-17-1), [Table 5](#page-17-3), provide equivalent thermal resistances for 5V, 12V, and 36V outputs with and without airflow and heat sinking. The derived thermal resistances in [Table 3](#page-17-2), [Table 4](#page-17-1) and [Table 5,](#page-17-3) for the various conditions can be multiplied by the calculated power loss as a function of ambient temperature to derive temperature rise above ambient, thus maximum junction temperature. Room temperature power loss can be derived from the efficiency curves in the [Typical Performance Characteristics](#page-3-0) section and adjusted with the above ambient temperature multiplicative factors. The printed circuit board is a 1.6mm thick 4-layer board with two ounce copper for the two outer layers and one ounce copper for the two inner layers. The PCB dimensions are  $64 \text{mm} \times 64 \text{mm}$ . A Typical thermal image based on this PCB is shown in [Figure 21](#page-18-1).

#### <span id="page-17-2"></span>**Table 3. 5V Output**



#### <span id="page-17-1"></span>**Table 4. 12V Output**



#### <span id="page-17-3"></span>**Table 5. 36V Output**



#### <span id="page-17-0"></span>**Table 6. Output Voltage Response vs Component Matrix (Refer to [Figure 23\)](#page-19-0)**





Note: Use 40.2k  $R_T$  resistor to set switching frequency at 1MHz.



**Figure 21. Thermal Image of LTM8083 Running from 24V Input and 36V Output with 1A Load at 25°C Ambient without Airflow or Heat Sink**

#### <span id="page-18-0"></span>**PC Board Layout Checklist/Examples**

The high integration of LTM8083 makes the PCB board layout very simple and easy. However, to optimize its electrical and thermal performance, some layout considerations are still necessary.

- Use large PCB copper areas for high current paths, including  $V_{IN}$ , GND and  $V_{OUT}$ . It helps to minimize the PCB conduction loss and thermal stress.
- Place high frequency ceramic input and output capacitors next to the  $V_{IN}$ , GND and  $V_{OUT}$  pins to minimize high frequency noise.
- Place a dedicated power ground layer underneath the unit.
- Use planes for  $V_{IN}$  and  $V_{OUT}$  to maintain good voltage filtering and to keep power losses low.
- To minimize the via conduction loss and reduce module thermal stress, use multiple vias for interconnection between top layer and other power layers.
- <span id="page-18-1"></span>• Do not put via directly on the pad, unless they are capped or plated over.
- The ground plane layer should not have any traces.
- Flood all unused areas on all layers with copper. Flooding with copper will reduce the temperature rise of module. Connect the copper areas to GND.
- Keep separation between SYNC and RT pin traces to minimize noise due to crosstalk between these signals.
- Route ISP and ISN traces together with minimum PCB trace spacing. Avoid sense lines passing through noisy areas, such as switch nodes. Ensure accurate current sensing with Kelvin connections at the current sense resistor.
- Connect the optional  $V_C$  pin compensation capacitor close to the module, between  $V_C$  and the signal ground. The capacitor helps to filter the effects of PCB noise and output voltage ripple voltage from the compensation loop.

[Figure 22](#page-19-1) gives a good example of the recommended layout.



<span id="page-19-1"></span>**Figure 22. Recommended PCB Layout**

## TYPICAL APPLICATION



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#### TYPICAL APPLICATIONS



**Figure 24. 7.5W (5V, 1.5A) 1MHz Buck-Boost Voltage Regulator with Output Current Monitor**



<span id="page-20-0"></span>**Figure 25. 18W (12V, 1.5A) 1MHz Buck-Boost Voltage Regulator Compliant with CISPR25 Class 5 Limits**

### PACKAGE DESCRIPTION



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#### **Table 7. LTM8083 Component BGA Pinout**



# PACKAGE DESCRIPTION



**BGA Package**

# REVISION HISTORY





# PACKAGE PHOTO

**Part marking is either ink mark or laser mark**



# DESIGN RESOURCES



# RELATED PARTS



