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FAN7621 PFM Controller for Half-Bridge Resonant Converters

Features

- Variable Frequency Control with 50% Duty Cycle for Half-bridge Resonant Converter Topology
- High Efficiency through Zero Voltage Switching (ZVS)
- Fixed Dead Time (350ns)
- Up to 300kHz Operating Frequency
- Pulse Skipping for Frequency Limit (Programmable) at Light-Load Condition
- Remote On/Off Control Using CON Pin
- Protection Functions: Over-Voltage Protection (OVP), Overload Protection (OLP), Over-Current Protection (OCP), Abnormal Over-Current Protection (AOCP), Internal Thermal Shutdown (TSD)

Applications

- PDP and LCD TVs
- Desktop PCs and Servers
- Adapters
- Telecom Power Supplies
- Video Game Consoles

Description

The FAN7621 is a pulse frequency modulation controller for high-efficiency half-bridge resonant converters. Offering everything necessary to build a reliable and robust resonant converter, the FAN7621 simplifies designs and improves productivity, while improving performance. The FAN7621 includes a high-side gatedrive circuit, an accurate current controlled oscillator, frequency limit circuit, soft-start, and built-in protection functions. The high-side gate-drive circuit has a common-mode noise cancellation capability, which guarantees stable operation with excellent noise immunity. Using the zero-voltage-switching (ZVS) technique dramatically reduces the switching losses and efficiency is significantly improved. The ZVS also reduces the switching noise noticeably, which allows a small-sized Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) filter.

The FAN7621 can be applied to various resonant converter topologies; such as series resonant, parallel resonant, and LLC resonant converters.

Related Resources

<u>AN4151 — Half-bridge LLC Resonant Converter Design</u> using FSFR-series Fairchild Power Switch (FPSTM)

Ordering Information

Part Number	Operating Junction Temperature	Package	Packaging Method	
FAN7621N		16-Lead, Dual Inline Package (DIP)	Tube	
FAN7621SJ	-40°C ~ 130°C	16-Lead, Small-Outline Package (SOP)	Tube	
FAN7621SJX		16-Lead, Small-Outline Package (SOP)	Tape & Reel	

Application Circuit Diagram

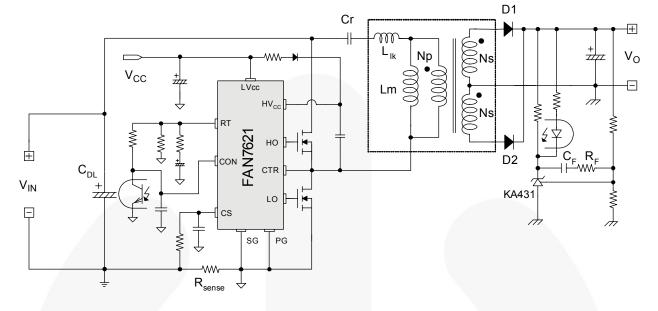
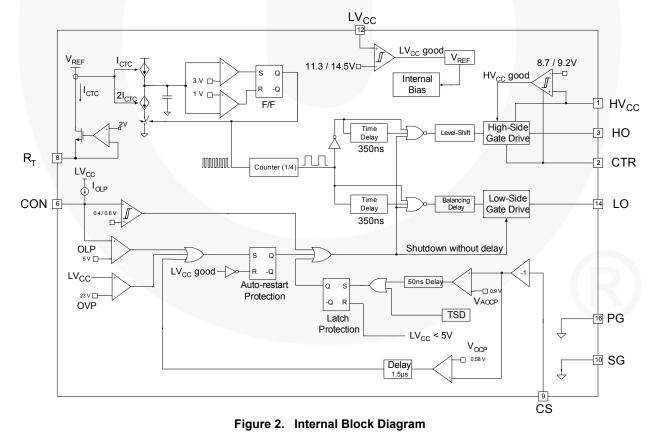


Figure 1. Typical Application Circuit (LLC Resonant Half-Bridge Converter)

Block Diagram



Pin Configuration

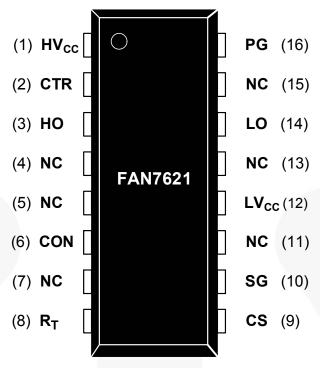


Figure 3. Package Diagram

Pin Definitions

Pin#	Name	Description			
1	HV _{CC}	his is the supply voltage of the high-side gate-drive circuit IC.			
2	CTR	This is the drain of the low-side MOSFET. Typically, a transformer is connected to this pin.			
3	НО	This is the high-side gate driving signal.			
4	NC	No connection.			
5	NC	No connection.			
6	CON	is pin is for a protection and enabling/disabling the controller. When the voltage of this pin above 0.6V, the IC operation is enabled. When the voltage of this pin drops below 0.4V, te drive signals for both MOSFETs are disabled. When the voltage of this pin increases ove 5V, protection is triggered.			
7	NC	No connection.			
8	R _T	This pin programs the switching frequency. Typically, an opto-coupler is connected to control the switching frequency for the output voltage regulation.			
9	CS	This pin senses the current flowing through the low-side MOSFET. Typically, negative voltage is applied on this pin.			
10	SG	This pin is the control ground.			
11	NC	No connection.			
12	LV _{CC}	This pin is the supply voltage of the control IC.			
13	NC	No connection.			
14	LO	This is the low-side gate driving signal.			
15	NC	No connection.			
16	PG	his pin is the power ground. This pin is connected to the source of the low-side MOSFET.			

Absolute Maximum Ratings

Stresses exceeding the absolute maximum ratings may damage the device. The device may not function or be operable above the recommended operating conditions and stressing the parts to these levels is not recommended. In addition, extended exposure to stresses above the recommended operating conditions may affect device reliability. The absolute maximum ratings are stress ratings only. $T_A=25^{\circ}C$ unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Para	Min.	Max.	Unit	
V_{HO}	High-Side Gate Driving Voltag	V _{CTR} -0.3	HV _{CC}	V	
V_{LO}	Low-Side Gate Driving Voltage	-0.3	LV _{CC}	V	
LV _{CC}	Low-Side Supply Voltage		-0.3	25.0	V
HV _{CC} to V _{CTR}	High-Side V _{CC} Pin to Center V	oltage	-0.3	25.0	V
V _{CTR}	Center Voltage	-0.3	600.0	V	
V _{CON}	Control Pin Input Voltage	-0.3	LV _{CC}	V	
V _{CS}	Current Sense (CS) Pin Input	Voltage	-5.0	1.0	V
V _{RT}	R _⊤ Pin Input Voltage		-0.3	5.0	V
dV _{CTR} /dt	Allowable Center Voltage Slev	v Rate		50	V/ns
D	T. 1.1.5	16-DIP		1.56	W
P_D	Total Power Dissipation	16-SOP		1.13	W
_	Maximum Junction Temperature ⁽¹⁾			+150	00
T_J	Recommended Operating Junction Temperature ⁽¹⁾		-40	+130	°C
T _{STG}	Storage Temperature Range	-55	+150	°C	

Note:

Thermal Impedance

Symbol	Parameter		Value	Unit	
٥	Junction-to-Ambient Thermal Impedance	16-DIP	80	°C/W	
θ_{JA}		16-SOP	110	C/VV	

^{1.} The maximum value of the recommended operating junction temperature is limited by thermal shutdown.

Electrical Characteristics

 $T_A \text{=} 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ and LV $_{\text{CC}} \text{=} 17\text{V}$ unless otherwise specified.

Symbol	Parameter Test Conditions		Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Supply Sect	ion	•		•	•	•
I_{LK}	Offset Supply Leakage Current	HV _{CC} =V _{CTR}			50	μA
I_QHV_{CC}	Quiescent HV _{cc} Supply Current	(HV _{CC} UV+) - 0.1V		50	120	μA
I _Q LV _{CC}	Quiescent LV _{cc} Supply Current	(LV _{CC} UV+) - 0.1V		100	200	μΑ
I _O HV _{CC}	Operating HV _{cc} Supply Current (RMS Value)	f_{OSC} =100kHz, V_{CON} > 0.6V, C_{Load} =1nF		5	8	mA
	(Rivio value)	No Switching, V _{CON} < 0.4V		100	200	μA
loLVcc	Operating LV _{cc} Supply Current (RMS Value)	$\begin{array}{l} f_{OSC}\text{=}100\text{kHz}, \ V_{CON} \text{>} 0.6\text{V}, \\ C_{Load}\text{=}1\text{nF} \end{array}$		6	9	mA
	(Nive value)	No Switching, V _{CON} < 0.4V		2	4	mA
UVLO Section	on					
LV _{CC} UV+	LV _{CC} Supply Under-Voltage Positive	Going Threshold (LV _{CC} Start)	13.0	14.5	16.0	V
LV _{CC} UV-	LV _{CC} Supply Under-Voltage Negative	Going Threshold (LV _{CC} Stop)	10.2	11.3	12.4	V
LV _{cc} UVH	LV _{CC} Supply Under-Voltage Hysteres	is		3.2		V
HV _{CC} UV+	HV _{CC} Supply Under-Voltage Positive	Going Threshold (HV _{CC} Start)	8.2	9.2	10.2	V
HV _{CC} UV-	HVcc Supply Under-Voltage Negative	Going Threshold (HV _{cc} Stop)	7.8	8.7	9.6	V
HV _{CC} UVH	HV _{CC} Supply Under-Voltage Hysteres	sis		0.5		V
Oscillator &	Feedback Section		l	l		
V _{CONDIS}	Control Pin Disable Threshold Voltag	0.36	0.40	0.44	V	
V_{CONEN}	Control Pin Enable Threshold Voltage	0.54	0.60	0.66	V	
V _{RT}	V-I Converter Threshold Voltage		1.5	2.0	2.5	V
fosc	Output Oscillation Frequency R_T =5.2k Ω		94	100	106	kHz
DC	Output Duty Cycle		48	50	52	%
f _{SS}	Internal Soft-Start Initial Frequency	$f_{SS}=f_{OSC}+40kHz$, $R_T=5.2k\Omega$	7	140		kHz
t _{SS}	Internal Soft-Start Time	'	2	3	4	ms
Output Sect	ion		l .	I.		
I _{source}	Peak Sourcing Current	HV _{CC} =17V	250	360		mA
I _{sink}	Peak Sinking Current	HV _{CC} =17V	460	600		mA
t _r	Rising Time			65		ns
t _f	Falling Time	C _{Load} =1nF, HV _{CC} =17V		35	71	ns
V_{HOH}	High Level of High-Side Gate Driving Signal (V _{HVCC} -V _{HO})	le Gate Driving			1.0	V
V _{HOL}	Low Level of High-Side Gate Driving Signal	L =20mA			0.6	V
V_{LOH}	High Level of High-Side Gate Driving Signal (V _{LVCC} -V _{LO})	I ₀ =20mA			1.0	V
V_{LOL}	Low Level of High-Side Gate Driving Signal				0.6	٧

Electrical Characteristics (Continued)

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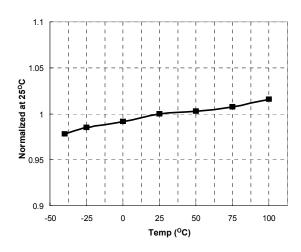
Symbol	Parameter	Test Conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Protection S	Section		•	•	•	
I _{OLP}	OLP Delay Current	V _{CON} =4V	3.8	5.0	6.2	μA
V_{OLP}	OLP Protection Voltage	V _{CON} > 3.5V	4.5	5.0	5.5	V
V _{OVP}	LV _{CC} Over-Voltage Protection	LV _{CC} > 21V	21	23	25	V
V _{AOCP}	AOCP Threshold Voltage		-1.0	-0.9	-0.8	V
t _{BAO}	AOCP Blanking Time			50		ns
V _{OCP}	OCP Threshold Voltage		-0.64	-0.58	-0.52	V
t _{BO}	OCP Blanking Time ⁽²⁾		1.0	1.5	2.0	μs
t _{DA}	Delay Time (Low-Side) Detecting from V _{AOCP} to Switch Off ⁽²⁾			250	400	ns
T _{SD}	Thermal Shutdown Temperature ⁽²⁾		110	130	150	°C
I _{SU}	Protection Latch Sustain LV _{CC} Supply Current	LV _{CC} =7.5V		100	150	μΑ
V _{PRSET}	Protection Latch Reset LV _{CC} Supply Voltage		5			٧
Dead-Time	Control Section		1			
D _T	Dead Time			350		ns

Note:

2. These parameters, although guaranteed, are not tested in production.

Typical Performance Characteristics

These characteristic graphs are normalized at T_A=25°C.



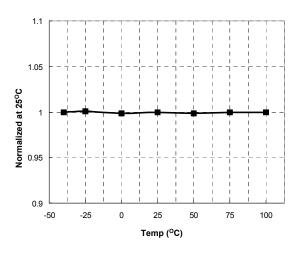
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Figure 4. Low-Side MOSFET Duty Cycle vs. Temperature

Figure 5. Switching Frequency vs. Temperature



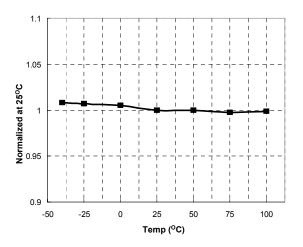
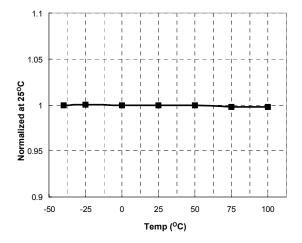


Figure 6. High-Side V_{CC} (HV_{CC}) Start vs. Temperature

Figure 7. High-Side V_{CC} (HV_{CC}) Stop vs. Temperature



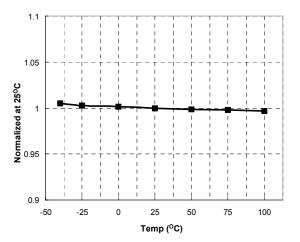
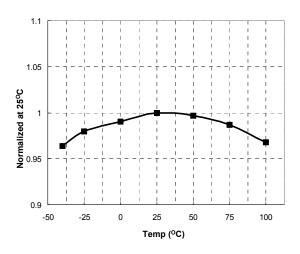


Figure 8. Low-Side V_{CC} (LV_{CC}) Start vs. Temperature

Figure 9. Low-Side V_{CC} (LV_{CC}) Stop vs. Temperature

Typical Performance Characteristics (Continued)

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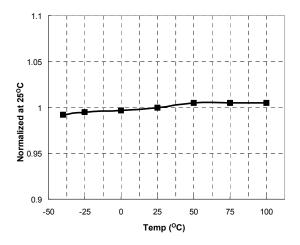
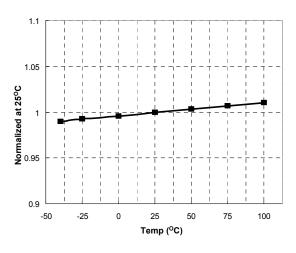


Figure 10. OLP Delay Current vs. Temperature

Figure 11. OLP Protection Voltage vs. Temperature



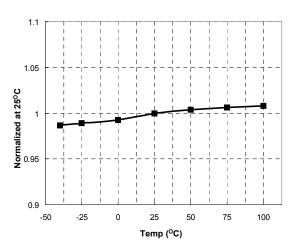
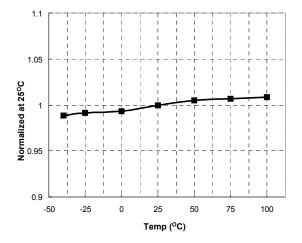


Figure 12. LV_{CC} OVP Voltage vs. Temperature

Figure 13. R_T Voltage vs. Temperature



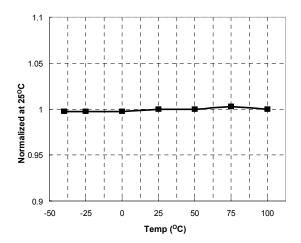


Figure 14. CON Pin Enable Voltage vs. Temperature

Figure 15. OCP Voltage vs. Temperature

Functional Description

1. Basic Operation

FAN7621 is designed to drive high-side and low-side MOSFETs complementarily with 50% duty cycle. A fixed dead time of 350ns is introduced between consecutive transitions, as shown in Figure 16.

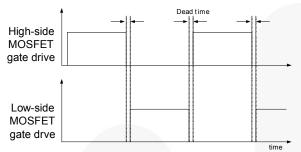


Figure 16. MOSFETs Gate Drive Signal

2. Internal Oscillator

FAN7621 employs a current-controlled oscillator, as shown in Figure 17. Internally, the voltage of R_T pin is regulated at 2V and the charging / discharging current for the oscillator capacitor, C_T , is obtained by copying the current flowing out of $R_T \, \text{pin} \, (I_{\text{CTC}})$ using a current mirror. Therefore, the switching frequency increases as I_{CTC} increases.

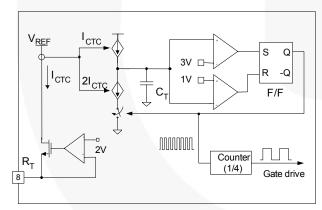


Figure 17. Current Controlled Oscillator

3. Frequency Setting

Figure 18 shows the typical voltage gain curve of a resonant converter, where the gain is inversely proportional to the switching frequency in the ZVS region. The output voltage can be regulated by modulating the switching frequency. Figure 19 shows the typical circuit configuration for R_T pin, where the optocoupler transistor is connected to the R_T pin to modulate the switching frequency.

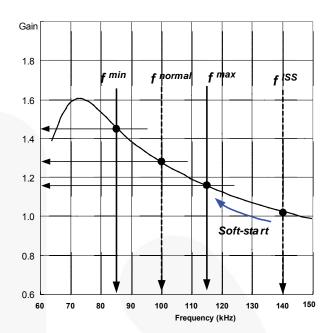


Figure 18. Resonant Converter Typical Gain Curve

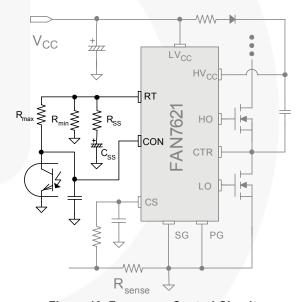


Figure 19. Frequency Control Circuit

The minimum switching frequency is determined as:

$$f^{\min} = \frac{5.2k\Omega}{R_{\min}} \times 100(kHz) \tag{1}$$

Assuming the saturation voltage of opto-coupler transistor is 0.2V, the maximum switching frequency is determined as:

$$f^{\text{max}} = (\frac{5.2k\Omega}{R_{\text{min}}} + \frac{4.68k\Omega}{R_{\text{max}}}) \times 100(kHz)$$
 (2)

To prevent excessive inrush current and overshoot of output voltage during startup, increase the voltage gain of the resonant converter progressively. Since the voltage gain of the resonant converter is inversely proportional to the switching frequency, the soft-start is

implemented by sweeping down the switching frequency from an initial high frequency (f^{ISS}) until the output voltage is established. The soft-start circuit is made by connecting R-C series network on the R_T pin, as shown in Figure 19. FAN7621 also has an internal soft-start for 3ms to reduce the current overshoot during the initial cycles, which adds 40kHz to the initial frequency of the external soft-start circuit, as shown in Figure 20. The initial frequency of the soft-start is given as:

$$f^{ISS} = (\frac{5.2k\Omega}{R_{\min}} + \frac{5.2k\Omega}{R_{SS}}) \times 100 + 40 \ (kHz)$$
 (3)

It is typical to set the initial (soft-start) frequency of two \sim three times the resonant frequency (f_O) of the resonant network.

The soft-start time is three to four times the RC time constant. The RC time constant is as follows:

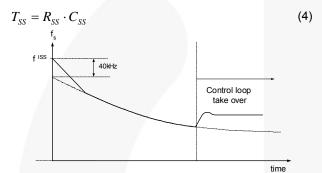


Figure 20. Frequency Sweeping of Soft-Start

4. Control Pin

The FAN7621 has a control pin for protection, cycle skipping, and remote on/off. Figure 21 shows the internal block diagram for control pin.

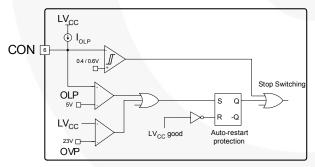


Figure 21. Internal Block of Control Pin

Protection: When the control pin voltage exceeds 5V, protection is triggered. Detailed applications are described in the protection section.

Pulse Skipping: FAN7621 stops switching when the control pin voltage drops below 0.4V and resumes switching when the control pin voltage rises above 0.6V. To use pulse-skipping, the control pin should be connected to the opto-coupler collector pin. The frequency that causes pulse skipping is given as:

$$f^{\text{SKIP}} = \left(\frac{5.2 \text{k}\Omega}{\text{R}_{\text{min}}} + \frac{4.16 \text{k}\Omega}{\text{R}_{\text{max}}}\right) \times 100 \text{(kHz)}$$
 (5)

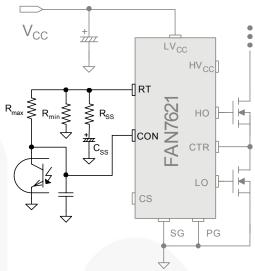


Figure 22. Control Pin Configuration for Pulse Skipping

Remote On / Off: When an auxiliary power supply is used for standby, the main power stage using FAN7621 can be shut down by pulling down the control pin voltage, as shown in Figure 23. R1 and C1 are used to ensure soft-start when switching resumes.

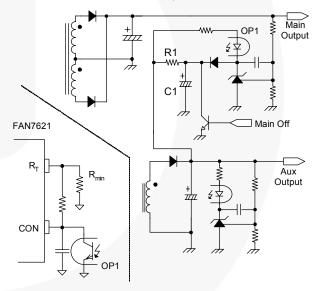


Figure 23. Remote On / Off Circuit

5. Protection Circuits

The FAN7621 has several self-protective functions, such as Overload Protection (OLP), Over-Current Protection (OCP), Abnormal Over-Current Protection (AOCP), Over-Voltage Protection (OVP), and Thermal Shutdown (TSD). OLP, OCP, and OVP are auto-restart mode protections; while AOCP and TSD are latch-mode protections, as shown in Figure 24.

5.1 Auto-Restart Mode Protection: Once a fault condition is detected, switching is terminated and the MOSFETs remain off. When LV_{CC} falls to the LV_{CC} stop voltage of 11.3V, the protection is reset. FAN7621

resumes normal operation when LV_{CC} reaches the start voltage of 14.5V.

5.2 Latch-Mode Protection: Once this protection is triggered, switching is terminated and the gate output signals remain off. The latch is reset only when LV_{CC} is discharged below 5V.

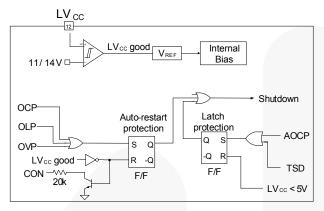


Figure 24. Protection Blocks

5.3 Current Sensing Using Resistor: FAN7621 senses drain current as a negative voltage, as shown in Figure 25 and Figure 26. Half-wave sensing allows low power dissipation in the sensing resistor, while full-wave sensing has less switching noise in the sensing signal.

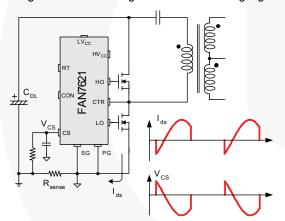


Figure 25. Half-Wave Sensing

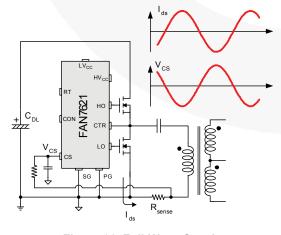


Figure 26. Full-Wave Sensing

5.4 Current Sensing Using Resonant Capacitor Voltage: For high-power applications, current sensing using a resistor may not be available due to the severe power dissipation in the resistor. In that case, indirect current sensing using the resonant capacitor voltage can be a good alternative because the amplitude of the resonant capacitor voltage (V_{cr}^{p-p}) is proportional to the resonant current in the primary side (I_p^{p-p}) as:

$$V_{Cr}^{\ \ p-p} = \frac{I_p^{\ p-p}}{2\pi f_s C_r} \tag{6}$$

To minimize power dissipation, a capacitive voltage divider is generally used for capacitor voltage sensing, as shown in Figure 27.

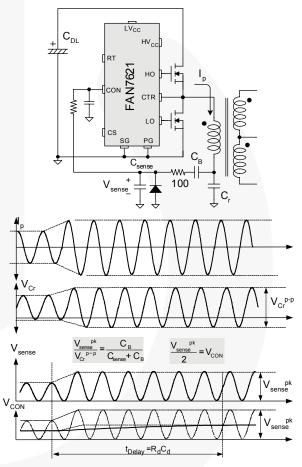


Figure 27. Current Sensing Using Resonant Capacitor Voltage

- **5.5 Over-Current Protection (OCP)**: When the sensing pin voltage drops below -0.6V, OCP is triggered and the MOSFETs remain off. This protection has a shutdown time delay of 1.5µs to prevent premature shutdown during startup.
- **5.6 Abnormal Over-Current Protection (AOCP)**: If the secondary rectifier diodes are shorted, large current with extremely high di/dt can flow through the MOSFET before OCP or OLP is triggered. AOCP is triggered without shutdown delay when the sensing pin voltage drops below -0.9V. This protection is latch mode and reset when LV $_{\rm CC}$ is pulled down below 5V.

5.7 Overload Protection (OLP): Overload is defined as the load current exceeding its normal level due to an unexpected abnormal event. In this situation, the protection circuit should trigger to protect the power supply. However, even when the power supply is in the normal condition, the overload situation can occur during the load transition. To avoid premature triggering of protection, the overload protection circuit should be designed to trigger only after a specified time to determine whether it is a transient situation or a true overload situation. Figure 27 shows a typical overload protection circuit. By sensing the resonant capacitor voltage on the control pin, the overload protection can be implemented. Using RC time constant, shutdown delay can be also introduced. The voltage obtained on the control pin is given as:

$$V_{CON} = \frac{C_B}{2(C_B + C_{sense})} V_{Cr}^{p-p}$$
 (7)

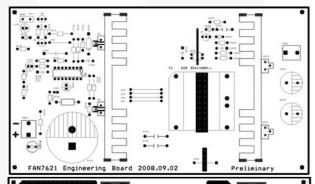
where $V_{\text{Cr}}^{\text{p-p}}$ is the amplitude of the resonant capacitor voltage.

- **5.8** Over-Voltage Protection (OVP): When the LV_{CC} reaches 23V, OVP is triggered. This protection is used when auxiliary winding of the transformer to supply V_{CC} to the controller is utilized.
- **5.9 Thermal Shutdown (TSD)**: If the temperature of the junction exceeds approximately 130°C, the thermal shutdown triggers.

6. PCB Layout Guideline

Duty imbalance problems may occur due to the radiated noise from main transformer, the inequality of the inductances secondary-side leakage οf transformer, and so on. Among them, it is one of the dominant reasons that the control components in the vicinity of R_T pin are enclosed by the primary current flow pattern on PCB layout. The direction of the magnetic field on the components caused by the primary current flow is changed when the high-and-low side MOSFET turns on by turns. The magnetic fields with opposite direction from each other induce a current through, into, or out of the R_T pin, which makes the turn-on duration of each MOSFET different. It is strongly recommended to separate the control components in the vicinity of R_T pin from the primary current flow pattern on PCB layout. Figure 28 shows an example for the duty-balanced case. The yellow and blue lines show the primary current flows when the lower-side and higher-side MOSFETs turns on, respectively. The primary current does not enclose any component of controller.

It is helpful to reduce the duty imbalance to make the loop configured between CON pin and opto-coupler as small as possible, as shown in the red line in Figure 28.



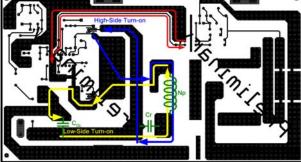


Figure 28. Example for Duty Balancing

Typical Application Circuit (Half-Bridge LLC Resonant Converter)

Application	Device	Input Voltage Range	Rated Output Power	Output Voltage (Rated Current)
LCD TV	FAN7621	390V _{DC} (340~400V _{DC})	200W	24V-8.3A

Features

- High efficiency (>94% at 400V_{DC} input)
- Reduced EMI noise through zero-voltage-switching (ZVS)
- Enhanced system reliability with various protection functions

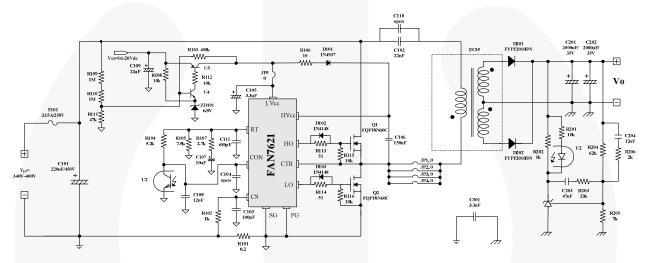


Figure 29. Typical Application Circuit

Typical Application Circuit (Continued)

Usually, LLC resonant converters require large leakage inductance value. To obtain a large leakage inductance, sectional winding method is used.

Core: EC35 (Ae=106 mm²)
 Bobbin: EC35 (Horizontal)

Transformer Model Number: SNX-2468-1

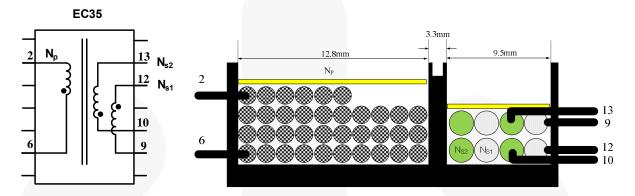
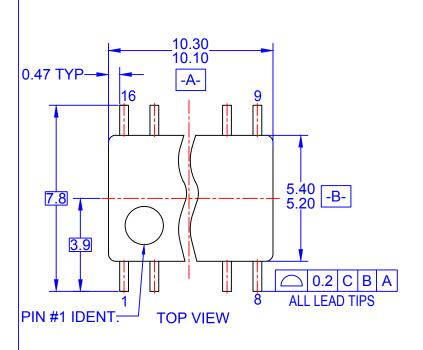


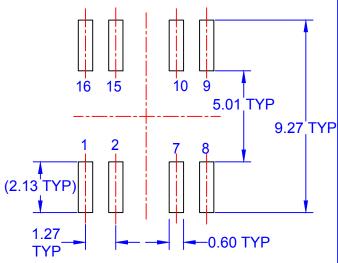
Figure 30. Transformer Construction

	Pins (S \rightarrow F)	Wire	Turns	Note
Np	6 → 2	0.08φ×88 (Litz Wire)	36	
N _{s1}	12 → 9	0.08φ×234 (Litz Wire)	4	Bifilar Winding
N _{s2}	10 → 13	0.08φ×234 (Litz Wire)	4	Bifilar Winding

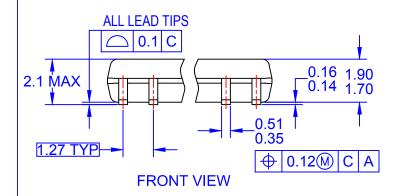
	Pins	Specifications	Remark
Primary-Side Inductance (L _p)	2-6	550μH ± 10%	100kHz, 1V
Primary-Side Effective Leakage (L _r)	2-6	110μH ± 10%	Short one of the secondary windings

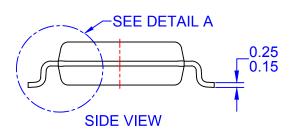
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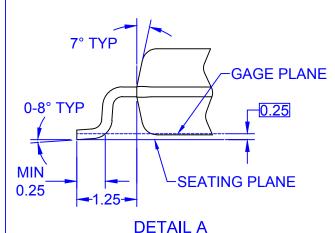




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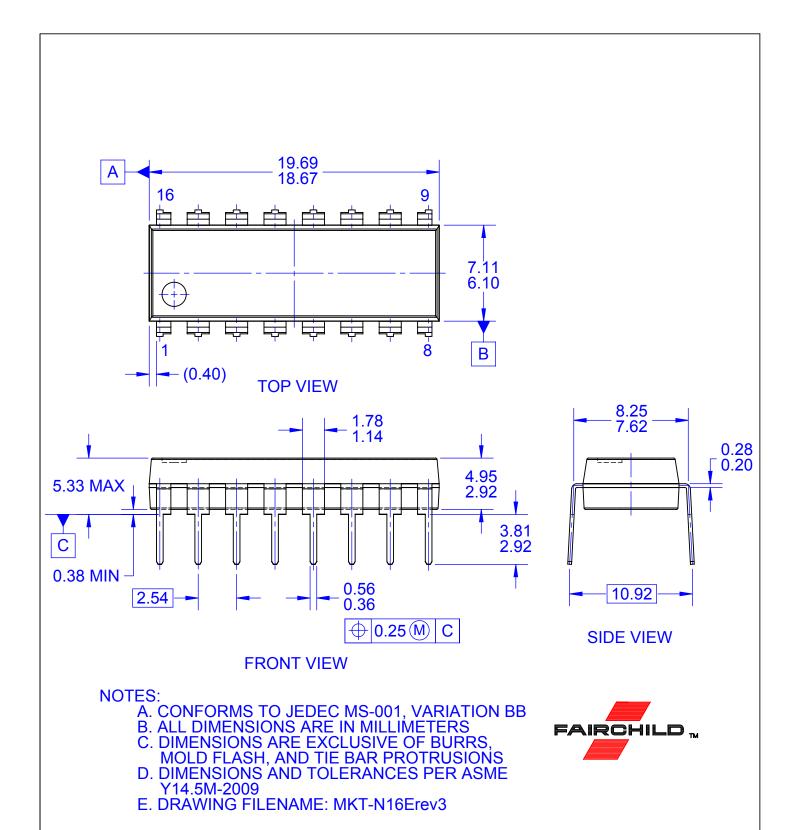




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