



8V to 36Vin Cool-Power[®] ZVS Buck Regulator Evaluation Board User Guide

Description

The PI33XX-XX-EVAL1 evaluation board demonstrates the features and benefits of the Picor Cool-Power[®] ZVS Buck Regulator PI33XX family. The board features the ZVS Buck Regulator SIP (U1), along with inductor (L1), ceramic input (C1-C8), and output capacitors (C10-C16).

The evaluation board provides several options for making input power (VIN and GND) and output load (VOUT and GND) connections. The user can solder tab style banana jacks or wire, use threaded binding posts secured by a retaining nut, or to simply use a #6 nut and bolt connection.

All the I/O pins are labeled and routed to the board edge for easy access. Each I/O pin is accompanied with an adjacent 50mil through-hole for adding a test point or to facilitate wiring to external circuitry.



Figure 1 – PI33XX-XX-EVAL1 Board

The board has a scope tip jack for measuring output voltage (VOUT), and has locations for two optional jacks for measuring VIN and the switching node of the regulator (See Figure 4). There are two headers installed: an ENABLE jumper which can be used to enable or disable the converter and the remote sense jumper (H1) that will connect the buck's remote sense pin to the output at the VOUT terminal.

For PI33XX-20 regulators only, there is a location for a 4-pin I²C header that allows users to set certain device parameters and to read the fault registers of the regulator. Each regulator can be assigned an address from 0 to 7 using the two tri-state address pins (ADR0 and ADR1).

Connections required for parallel regulator operation are grouped together (labeled Current Sharing) to allow for easy connection between evaluation boards. There is a connection wire from SYNCI to SGND that ensures SYNCI is grounded when not used in parallel with another PI33XX regulator. This wire should be removed for parallel operation.

There are two unpopulated resistor footprints (RADJ1 and RADJ2) used in trimming the output voltage and a capacitor footprint (CTRK) to add additional capacitance to the output tracking pin. Please refer to the product datasheet for more detailed information on these topics.

The evaluation board is constructed using 4 layers of 2oz copper and is routed to optimize the regulation path between input and output voltage, which reduces the parasitic losses and yields the best efficiency.





Evaluation Board Supply and Load Connections

Figure 2 - Evaluation board measurement connection

Figure 2 displays the recommended connections for input supply and output loading, and the best test points for measuring input and output voltages. All the I/O pins are brought out to the edge to allow for easy measurement and/or connection to the user's external circuitry.



Evaluation Board Schematic



Figure 3 – PI33XX-XX-EVAL1 Schematic

Device	Qty	Designators	Value	Description	Manufacturer	Part Number
PI3312	1	U1	2.5V ZVS Regulator	ZVS Regulator	PICOR	PI3312-00-LGIZ
	4	C10, C11, C12, C13	100uF, 6V	Ceramic Output Capacitor	Murata	GRM31CR60J107ME39L
	1	L1	200nH	Buck Inductor	Cooper	FPT705-200-R
PI3301	1	U1	3.3V ZVS Regulator	ZVS Regulator	PICOR	PI3301-00-LGIZ
	4	C10, C11, C12, C13	100uF, 6V	Ceramic Output Capacitor	Murata	GRM31CR60J107ME39L
	1	L1	200nH	Buck Inductor	Cooper	FPT705-200-R
PI3302	1	U1	5V ZVS Regulator	ZVS Regulator	PICOR	PI3302-00-LGIZ
	4	C10, C11, C12, C13	47uF, 16V	Ceramic Output Capacitor	Murata	GRM31CR61A476ME15
	1	L1	200nH	Buck Inductor	Cooper	FPT705-200-R
PI3303	1	U1	12V ZVS Regulator	ZVS Regulator	PICOR	PI3303-00-LGIZ
	4	C10, C11, C12, C13	22uF, 25V	Ceramic Output Capacitor	Murata	GRM31CR61E226KE15L
	1	L1	230nH	Buck Inductor	Cooper	FPT705-230-R

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Device	Qty	Designators	Value	Description	Manufacturer	Part Number
PI3305	1	U1	15V ZVS Regulator	ZVS Regulator	PICOR	PI3305-00-LGIZ
	4	C10, C11, C12, C13	22uF, 25V	Ceramic Output Capacitor	Murata	GRM31CR61E226KE15L
	1	L1	230nH	Buck Inductor	Cooper	FPT705-230-R
Common	10	ADJ, ADRO, ADR1, EAO, EN, REM, SGND, SYNCI, SYNCO, TRK		SM Testpoint	Keystone	5015
	4	C1, C2, C3, C4	4.7uF, 50V	Ceramic Capacitor, 50V, X7R	Murata	GRM31CR71H475KA12L
	4	C5, C6, C7, C8	0.1uF, 50V	Ceramic Capacitor	ТDК	C2012X7R1H104K
	1	C14	0.1uF, 50V	Ceramic Capacitor	Murata	GRM319R71H104KA01D
	2	C15, C16	1uF, 50V	Ceramic Capacitor	Murata	GRM188R71C105KA12J
	1	CTRK	47nF	Ceramic Capacitor	Murata	GRM188F51H473ZA01D
	2	ENABLE, H1		Header Jumper	Samtec	TSW-148-07-F-S
	3	GND, VIN, VOUT		TH Testpoint	Vector	К24
	1	JJVOUT		Johnson Jack	Tektronix	131503100
	1	РСВ		PI33XX-xx-EVAL1 PCB	PICOR	PCB0108
User Optional	2	RADJ1, RADJ2	User defined	0603 Trim resistors	TBD	TBD
	2	JJVIN, JJVSW	Optional	Scope Tip Jack	Tektronix	131503100

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Evaluation Board Notes

The evaluation board has solder mask openings on the bottom side of the board to allow for the option of additional output capacitance (4 x 1206 or 2 x 1812).

There are two additional, unmarked, scope tip test points (circled in red in figure 4) that allow the user to measure VIN and the switching node (VS1). These are labeled as JJVIN and JJVSW in Figure 4.

There are two thru-hole pads (blue circle) for the addition of an electrolytic bulk storage capacitor. This capacitor is required when the evaluation board is connected to the input voltage source through long leads. A 100μ F, 50V Electrolytic is recommended with an ESR between 20 and $50m\Omega$.

The two pins labeled as "N/C" (highlighted in green box in figure 4) are not electrically connected to each other.

There is an internal connection within the PI33XX between grounds SGND and PGND. It is not required to tie these two grounds together externally and these two grounds are not connected together on the evaluation board.



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Figure 5 – PI33XX-XX-EVAL1 Board Dimensions



PCB Metal Layers





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