

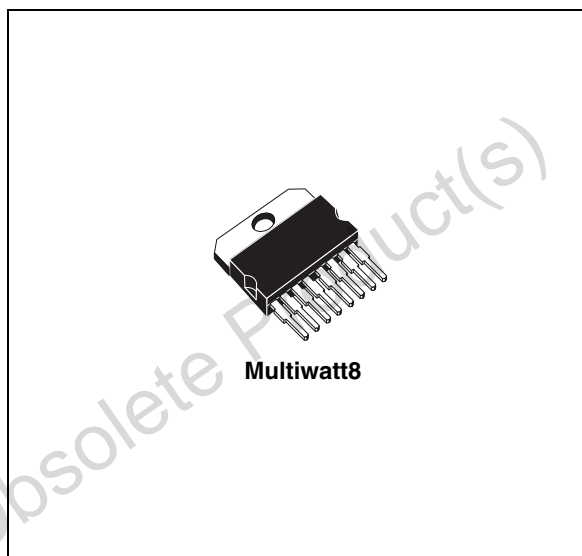
## Car alternator voltage regulator

### Features

- For air and liquid cooled applications
- Ambient air temperature (thermistor) compensated
- Special default compensation curve with TS-terminal open
- Compensation curve with application specific resistor on TS
- Thermal protection
- Field driver, lamp driver, relay driver, and df (field monitor) short circuit protected
- Load response control
- Single phase autostart

### Description

The L9473 is a monolithic multifunction generator Voltage regulator intended for use in automotive charging applications.



This All Silicon Voltage Regulator regulates the output of an automotive generator by controlling the field winding current by means of a variable frequency PWM high side driver.

**Table 1. Device summary**

Order code	Package	Packing
L9473J	Multiwatt8	Tube

# Contents

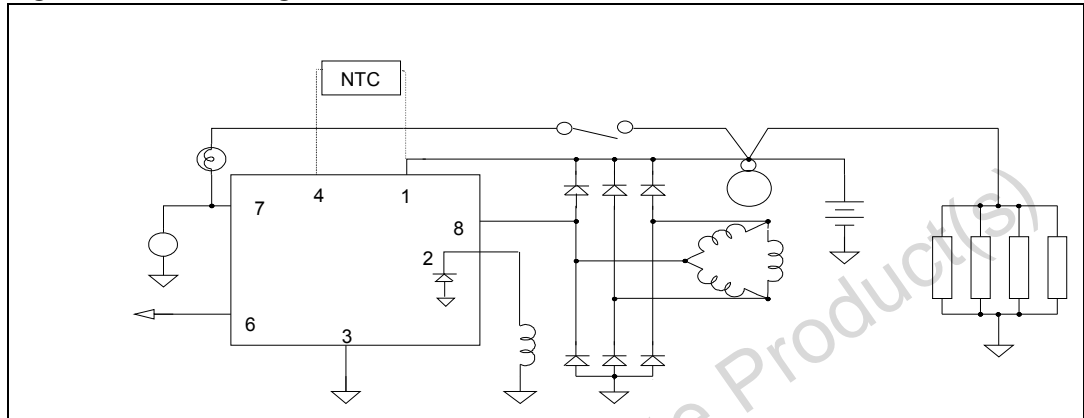
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# 1 Block diagram and pin description

## 1.1 Block diagram

Figure 1. Block diagram

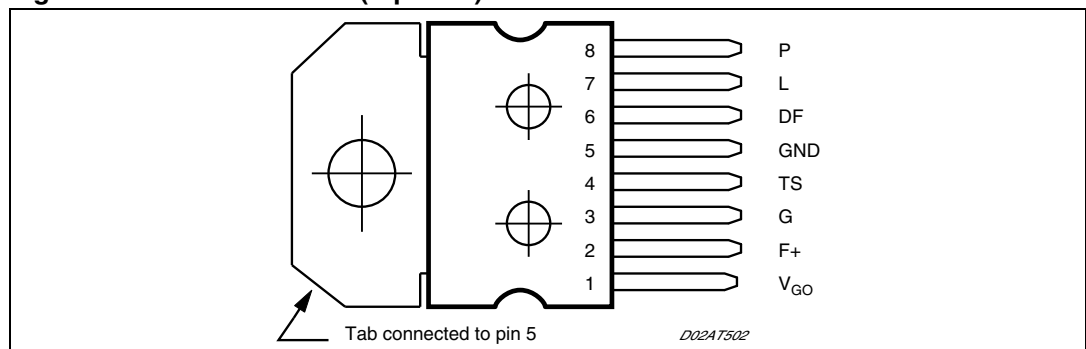


## 1.2 Pin description

Table 2. Pin description

N°	Pin	Description
1	V <sub>GO</sub>	Generator Output – Voltage Sense and Power Supply to ASVR
2	F+	Field Driver - High Side Drive Output
3	G	Ground for ASVR (Must be connected for Ground for ASVR)
4	TS	Thermistor Sense Terminal
5	GND	Internally connected to the Tab or Slug in MW-8. Shall not be used for ASVR Ground, nor voltage applied to Pin 5 to cause $\geq 50\text{mV}$ Pin 5 to Pin 3. May be unconnected or externally connected to Pin 3.
6	DF	Inverted Field Monitor Output
7	L	Lamp - Low Side Driver; Relay - High Side Driver
8	P	Phase Sense Input

Figure 2. Pin connection (top view)



## 2 Electrical specifications

### 2.1 Absolute maximum ratings

**Table 3. Absolute maximum ratings**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$I_{OC}$	Output current capability	Internally limited	A
$P_{tot}$	Power dissipation	6	W
	Short circuit protected	All terminal, to VGO and GND	

### 2.2 Thermal data

**Table 4. Thermal data**

Symbol	Parameter	Value	Unit
$T_j$	Junction temperature	-40 to +150	°C
$T_{stg}$	Storage temperature	-50 to +150	°C
$T_{sd}$	Thermal shut-down	175 ± 15	°C
$R_{th\ j-case}$	Thermal resistance junction to case	1.5	°C/W

### 2.3 Electrical characteristics

**Table 5. Electrical characteristics**

( $T_{case} = -35^{\circ}C$  to  $+150^{\circ}C$  continuous unless otherwise specified)

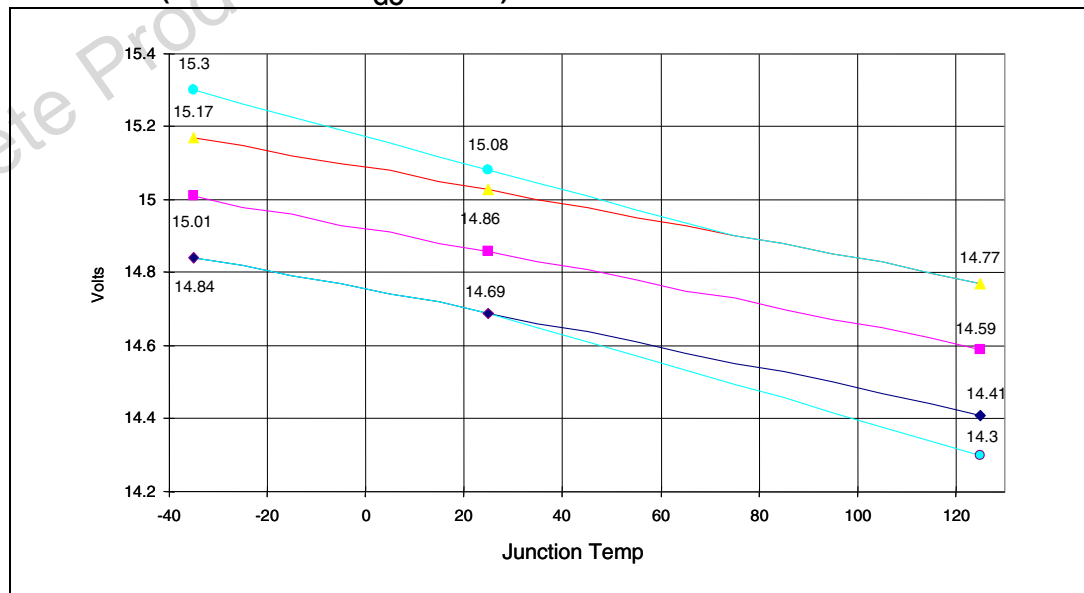
Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$V_{OS}$	Operating supply voltage	$T_{case} = +25^{\circ}C$ to $+150^{\circ}C$	8		$V_{ov}$	V
		$T_{case} = -40^{\circ}C$ to $+25^{\circ}C$	10		$V_{ov}$	V
$I_{SB}$	Standby current	$V_{GO} = 12.6V$ ; $T_{case} = 25^{\circ}C$ ; $10k\Omega$ $V_{GO}$ to TS; F+, G & Tab (Slug) Grounded; L, DF, & P unconnected; Regulator NOT Activated.			300	$\mu A$
$V_{SP}$	Regulator set-point	$10k\Omega$ between $V_{GO}$ and TS	Curve shown in <a href="#">Figure 3</a>			
		NTC thermistor with $R_{25^{\circ}C} = 10k\Omega$ ; $T_j = 90^{\circ}C$	Curves shown in <a href="#">Figure 4</a> (with MURATA NTC NTH4G39A1)			
$V_{NB}$	Generator output, no battery	No battery, $I_{OUT} = 2A$ to 50% Max. Load	$V_{SP} - 2$		$V_{SP} + 2$	V
$T_C$	Thermal compensation	Voltage @ $V_{GO}$	Curves shown in <a href="#">Figure 4</a> and <a href="#">5</a>			
$V_{LR}$	Load regulation	6500 grpm, 10% to 95% load			300	mV

**Table 5. Electrical characteristics (continued)**  
 ( $T_{\text{case}} = -35^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+150^{\circ}\text{C}$  continuous unless otherwise specified)

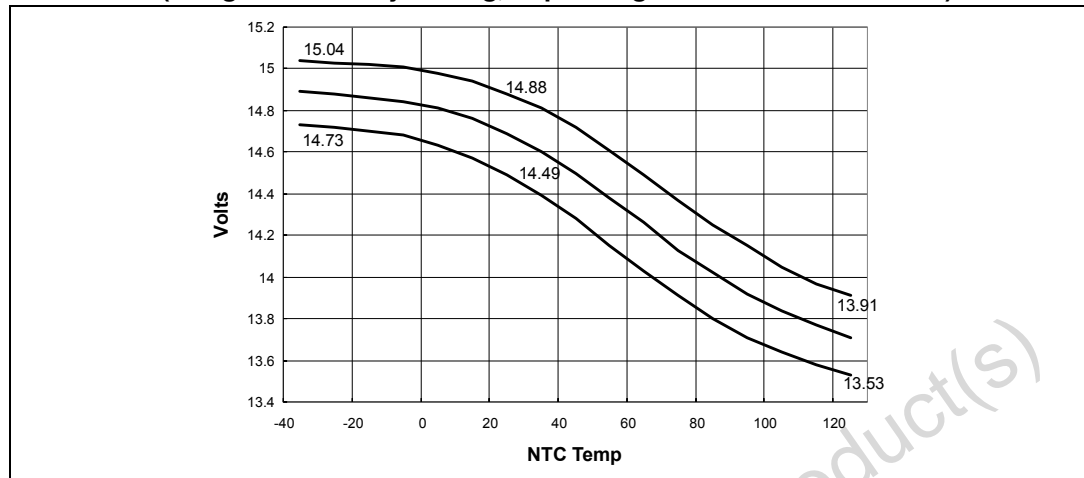
Symbol	Parameter	Test condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$V_{\text{SR}}$	Speed regulation	15A load, 2000 to 20,000 grpm			100	mV
$V_{\text{F-ON}}$	Output saturation voltage	$I_{\text{F}} = 6\text{A}$ , $V_{\text{GO}} = 14.0\text{V}$ , $T_{\text{case}} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			750	mV
$V_{\text{F-ON}}$	Output saturation voltage	$I_{\text{F}} = 5\text{A}$ , $V_{\text{GO}} = 13.5\text{V}$ , $T_{\text{case}} = 125^{\circ}\text{C}$			850	mV
$I_{\text{F-LIM}}$	Field limit current <sup>(1)</sup>	Current F+ Terminal to Gnd. @ $T_{\text{case}} \leq 25^{\circ}\text{C}$	9.0			A
$I_{\text{F-LIM}}$	Field limit current <sup>1</sup>	Current F+ Terminal to Gnd. @ $T_{\text{case}} = +150^{\circ}\text{C}$	6.0			A
$I_{\text{G-MIN}}$	Min. generator current load	Current measured @ generator output	0.5			A
$V_{\text{D-F}}$	Field discharge diode	$I_{\text{F}} = 6\text{A}$ , $T_{\text{case}} = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$			1.85	V
$I_{\text{D-R}}$	Diode reverse current	$V_{\text{R}} = 20\text{V}$			1	mA
$F_{\text{OSC}}$	Oscillation frequency	During LRC operation	340	400	460	Hz
$V_{\text{DF}}$	DF saturation voltage	$I_{\text{DF}} \leq 10\text{mA}$			0.8	V
$I_{\text{DF-LK}}$	DF output leakage current	$V_{\text{DF}} < 25\text{V}$			10	$\mu\text{A}$
$F_{\text{TURBO}}$	Internal clock frequency	$V_{\text{DF}} = 32 - 35\text{V}$ ; at $2.2\text{k}\Omega$		4X		Hz

1. The Field Drive capability shall not decrease as a function of temperature between  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$  and  $150^{\circ}\text{C}$ , at a rate faster than  $-0.024\text{A}/^{\circ}\text{C}$  (for example, Field Drive shall be capable of  $\geq 7.2\text{A}$  at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

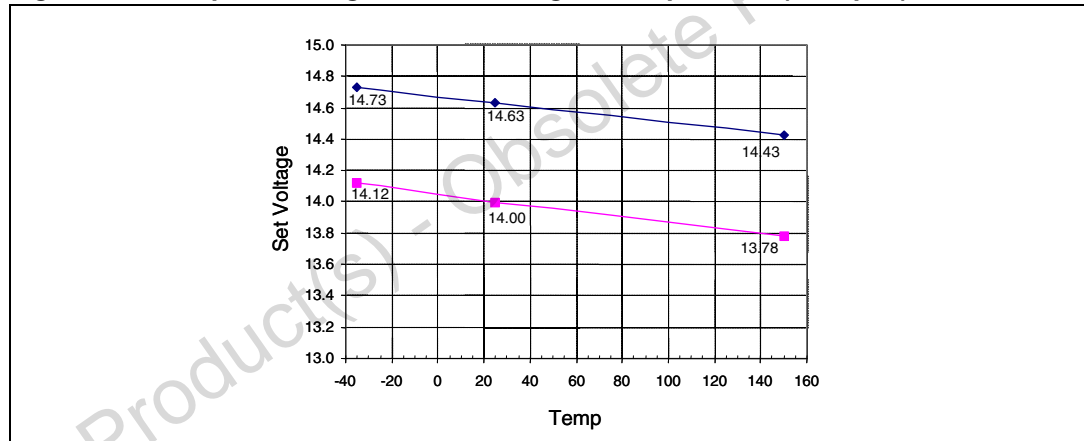
**Figure 3. Set-point voltage vs. mounting tab temperature (10k $\Omega$  between  $V_{\text{GO}}$  and TS)**



**Figure 4. Set-point voltage vs. thermistor temperature,  $T_j = 90^\circ\text{C}$   
(Not guaranteed by testing, depending on NTC characteristics)**



**Figure 5. Set-point voltages vs. mounting tab temperature (TS-Open)**



**Table 6. Diagnostic**  
( $T_{\text{case}} = -35^\circ\text{C}$  to  $+150^\circ\text{C}$  unless otherwise specified)

Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Units
$V_{\text{OV}}$	Over voltage		$V_{\text{SP}} + 1$	$V_{\text{SP}} + 1.3$	$V_{\text{SP}} + 2$	V
$V_{\text{UV}}$	Under voltage	$F_P > F_{P\text{-LRC}}$ , 10kohm between $S_{\text{term}}$ and $V_{\text{GO}}$	10.95		11.8	V
$V_{\text{L-SAT}}$	Lamp ON saturation voltage	$I_L = 0.5\text{A}$ (sunked by ASVR)	$>V_{\text{L-ACT}}$	1.33	1.45	V
$V_{\text{L-SAT-BO}}$	Lamp ON voltage <sup>(1)</sup>	$I_L < 0.5\text{A}$ , $V_{\text{GO}} = \text{Open}$ ; $T_{\text{case}} = -35^\circ\text{C}$ to $85^\circ\text{C}$		3.8	5	V
$V_{\text{L-RLY}}$	Lamp OFF (Relay Drive) saturation voltage (vs. B+)	$I_L = 750\text{mA}$ (Sourced by ASVR) <sup>(2)</sup> $T_{\text{case}} < 125^\circ\text{C}$			1.85	V
$T_{\text{DELAY}}$	Fault Indication Delay Time	Delay before Lamp ON	0.9	1.1	1.3	s

1. This condition can happen when the connection between the battery and VGO or the output terminal of the generator is broken. The 1.1 second delay is not required, and current is sunked by ASVR.
2. When no fault is detected the Lamp terminal is pulled up by ASVR.

**Table 7. Fault indication**

Conditions	TDelay?
Initial KEY-ON Bulb and Wiring Check (Lamp ON for 1 sec $\pm$ 15% after initial KEY-ON)	No
$V_{GO} > V_{OV}$	Yes
$V_P < V_{P-F}$ AND $V_{GO} < V_{SP}$	Yes
$F_P < F_{P-TR}$ @ $V_{P-TR}$	Yes
No connection between battery and $V_{GO}$	No
At start: Lamp ON until $F_P > F_{P-IR}$ AND $V_P > V_{P-F}$ i.e. until $V_P$ reaches 8V.	No

**Table 8. Regulation characteristics**

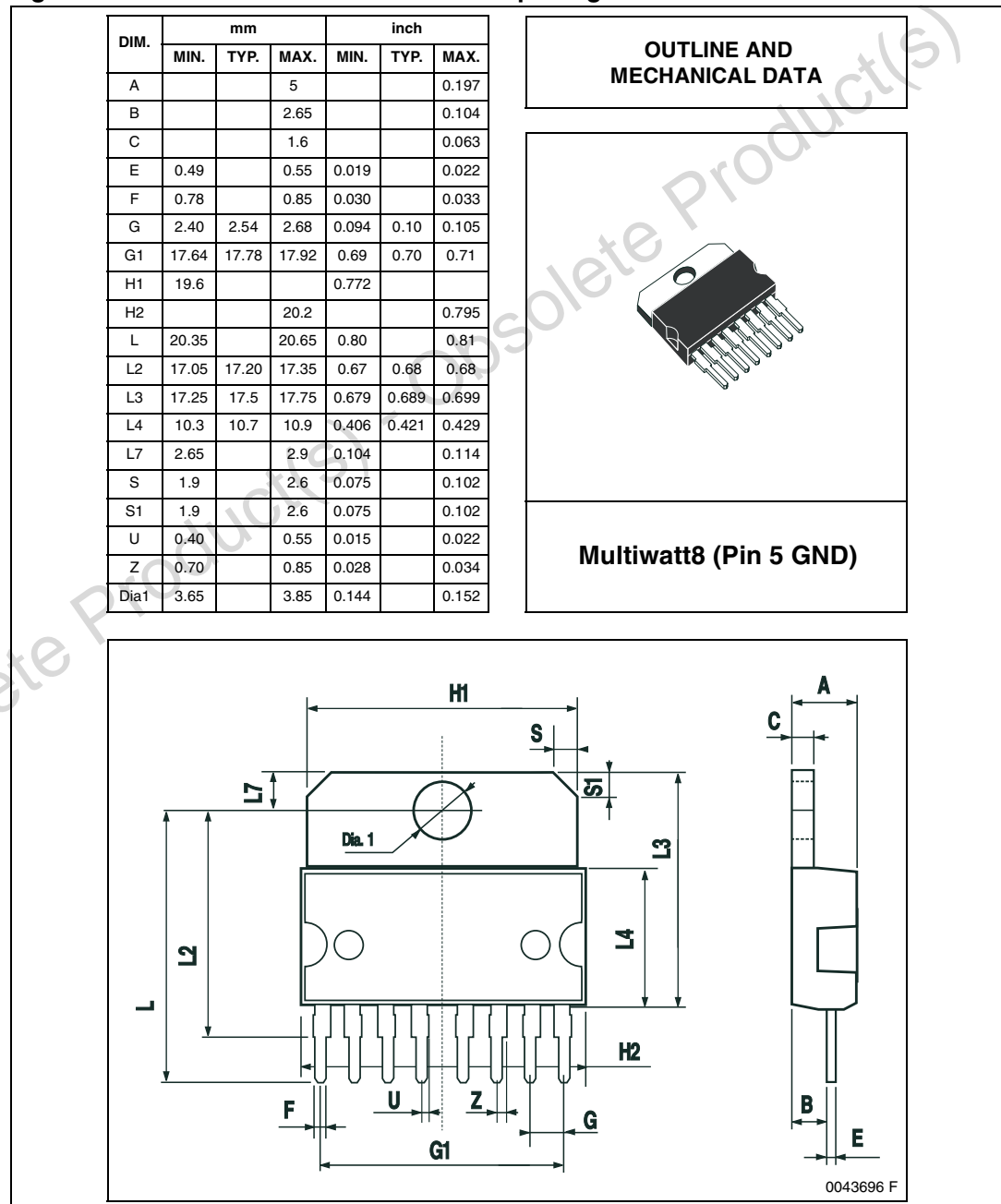
Symbol	Parameter	Conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
$V_{L-PD}$	L terminal regulator activate threshold	$V_{GO}=12.6V$	0.8	1	1.15	V
$I_{L-PD}$	L terminal pull down current	$V_L = V_{L-ACT}$ $V_{GO}=12.6V$	0.09		0.78	mA
$V_{P-IR}$	Initiate regulation phase voltage threshold	Regulator Activated	1.1	1.3	1.5	V
$I_P$	Phase terminal current sink	$V_P > 1.5V$ and $< 12.6V$ $V_{GO} = 12.6V$	0.25		3.5	mA
$F_{P-IR}$	Initiate regulation phase frequency		123	145	167	Hz
$F_{P-TR}$	Terminate regulation phase frequency		59	72	86	Hz
IRD	Initiate regulation delay	Regulator Activated, $V_{P-IR}$ AND $F_{P-IR}$ Conditions Met First Time.	2.5	3	3.5	s
FSDC	Field strobe duty cycle	Regulator Activated AND (Regulation Terminated OR Regulation NOT Initiated)	16	18.75	22	%
LRC	Load response control rate	Field Drive Duty Cycle Increase	8.5	10	11.5	%/s
$F_{P-LRC}$	LRC transition frequency	LRC Enabled if $F_P < F_{P-LRC}$	255	300	345	Hz
SS	Soft-start	LRC enabled until $V_{SP}$ reached regardless other conditions	34	40	46	%/s

### 3 Package information

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**Figure 6. Multiwatt8 mechanical data and package dimensions**





## 4 Revision history

**Table 9. Document revision history**

Date	Revision	Changes
20-May-1994	1	Initial release.
24-Oct-2008	2	Document reformatted. "Added ECOPACK mention" in <a href="#">Section 3: Package information</a> .
19-Sep-2013	3	Updated Disclaimer.

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