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# TinyCalc<sup>™</sup> User's Guide (Excel<sup>®</sup> 07 Version)

## Introduction

TinyCalc<sup>TM</sup> is a Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Excel<sup>®</sup>-based calculator created to simplify the design of TinyBuck<sup>TM</sup>-based regulators. TinyBuck<sup>TM</sup> products are integrated synchronous buck regulators with one high-side and one low-side MOSFET and a controller / driver integrated in one 5x6mm molded leadless package (MLP).

The last digit in the part number signifies the current rating of the product. This calculator covers designs with FAN2103, FAN2106, FAN2108, FAN2108, FAN218V04, and FAN218V06 regulators. Regulators with SV in the part numbers have a built-in 5V regulator.

This document describes how to configure Excel 07 so this calculator can work without errors. This guide explains how to use the TinyCalc<sup>™</sup> calculator to choose external components for designs once the input and output conditions are provided.

#### **Video Instructions**

If you would prefer to watch an online video, click on the following link: "TinyCalc Setup Video"

#### Before Opening TinyCalc<sup>™</sup>



#### APPLICATION NOTE

7.

8.

Close the blank worksheet.

- 8. Select Analysis Toolpak and Analysis Toolpak VBA. Disregard any other add-ins.
- 9. Click **OK** and return to the new worksheet.
- **Note**: If these two add-ins aren't available in the Excel installation, it is necessary to install the complete version of Excel.

#### Set Macro Security to Medium

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TinyCalc<sup>™</sup> works by embedding calculations as macros. Excel must be able to run these macros for the application to function, but macros are considered a security risk. Therefore, to run the macros, it is necessary to set your security to medium (vs. high). With the new (blank) worksheet open, follow these steps to set the macro security:

1. Click the Windows icon located at the top left of the screen.





Click **OK** and click **OK** again on the last window open. This returns to the open blank sheet.

# Working with TinyCalc™

- 1. Close any open Excel workbooks or worksheets.
- Open the TinyCalc<sup>™</sup> file delivered with this user guide. (The file name might change based on the revision go to the website to get the latest version of the calculator.)
- 3. If macros are enabled, the file opens without any warning. Skip to step 7.
- 4. If macros are disabled with notification, the file opens with a security warning.
- 5. Click on the **Options...** button.

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- 6. Select the option **Trust all documents from this publisher** and click **OK**. This closes the security alert and allows the TinyCalc<sup>™</sup> file to open.



8. In the Select Regular dialog box, select the regulator for your circuit design from the drop-down list and click OK.



9. Click **OK** to confirm the selection.

Microsoft Excel
You have selected FAN2108
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# TinyCalc<sup>™</sup> User Interface

The figure below is the "Front Page." The numbers from 1 to 7 indicate the order of the steps involved in going through a design. Once you are familiar with this calculator, you can skip to steps as needed by clicking on the appropriate button.

A1 • A FAIRCHILD SEMICONDUCTOR		FAN2108 Design		About this Design Aid
	Welcome / HELP Design Procedure	Design Inputs START HERE	Output L & C Selection	
	5 Loss Estimate	Schematic 4 & Layout Recommendations	Bode Plots / 3 Compensation	
	6 Bill Of Materials	7 Print All Design Documents	Select another Regulator	
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Clicking on the **Welcome / Help / Design Procedure** button opens the following dialog box. It is intended to provide firsttime users a brief description of the steps. It is recommended that you read this page when you use the calculator for the first time. Click **OK** to return to the Front Page.

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Thank the ste some b steps i	you for choosing to use Figs involved in using this s prief descriptions on the built of the same order as the n	airchild products to meet your Power Solution needs.The following are preadsheet to a complete design around TinyBuck regulators. Below are utons you will find in the front page. Please go along with your design umbers below.					
	Help Menu	This Button brought you here - Help Menu.					
1	Design Inputs	Input all the Design requirements in the boxes provided. Start the by putting in the values here.					
2	Output L&C Selection	The calculator provides inital values for L & C. You have a choice to pick your own L & C as well					
3	Bode Plots/Comp	This Button takes you to compensation sheet where you can modify the values to get expected close loop gain and phase for the system as a					
4	Schem & Layout	function of Frequency. This button takes you to the schematic & Layout guidelines page					
5	Loss Estimate	Here, the calculator provides inital estimate on the Losses and efficiency in the system with the components chosen.					
6	Bill Of Materials	This button takes you to the bill of materials page for this design					
7	Print All Design Docs	Here, the calculator provides one button where you can print all the design related documents with one click of a Button, provided all the Inputs are already there					
s	Gelect another Regulator	This button will open up the regulator selection list again so that another one can be chosen. When a new regulator is chosen please follow the design steps again					
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#### STEP 1 – Design Inputs



1. Click on the **Design Inputs / START HERE** button.

	Input Parameters									
	SEMICONDUCTOR <sup>®</sup> Please Enter Input Parameter Values in the Boxes (PWM Mode Only)									
	Input Voltage(Min)	10	Volt							
	Input Voltage(Max)	20	Volt							
	Output Voltage	1.8	Volt							
	Max Load Current(Imax)	3	Amps							
1	Switching Freq(Fsw)	500	KHz							
	Output Ripple Current(%)	30	% (Of Imax)							
	Pk-Pk Ripple Voltage	50	mVolt							
	Max Load Transient	3	Amps							
	Max Output Voltage Step Tolerated	50	mVolt	ОК						

2. In the Input Parameters dialog box, enter the numbers for each of the design input variables.

#### Notes:

- a. Press the tab key to move to the next field.
- b. If you enter a unsuitable value, an error message appears providing the appropriate range for the parameter. The control remains in the window until an acceptable value is entered. The acceptable range is based on the specifications of the regulator selected.
- 3. After all the values are entered, click **OK**. If all the variables are accepted as valid inputs, the calculator closes and returns to the Front page.

Microsoft Excel
Max Load Current Enter a Number Between 0.1 and 8
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#### STEP 2 – Output L&C Section



1. Click on the **Output L&C Section** button to open the Select the Right Inductor and Capacitor dialog box. The top two boxes show suggested inductor and capacitor values.

Select the Right Induc	tor and Capa	acitor				×
	Suggested	Inductor	and Capacitor Values	based on P	arameter	Inputs
Suggested Inductor Value	3.63	uH	Suggested Minimum Capacitor Value	60.02	uF	
Please choose you	r Preferred	Inductor a	and Capacitor Values i	ncluding the	eir ESRs (I	OCRs) below
Inductance	3.3	uH	Bulk Capacitance	0	uF	1
Inductor DCR	10	mOhm	Bulk Cap ESR	0	mOhm	Help
Ripple Current with Chosen Inductor(pk-pk)	0.99	Amps	Bulk Cap ESL	0	nH	
			Net Ceramic Cap Value	88	uF	ок
			Net Ceramic Cap ESR	2	mOhm	

- 2. Enter data for the inductor and capacitors (with combinations) for your design.
  - **Note**: If either of the ceramic OR electrolytic capacitors (bulk) is used alone, put zero (0) for parameters of the capacitor not used. Use only numbers in these boxes.
- 3. After all the values are entered, press **OK** and return to the Front page.

#### STEP 3 – Bode Plots / Compensation



- 1. Click on the **Bode Plots** / **Compensation** button.
- 2. This opens a worksheet where you can select the compensation components required to close the control loop and ensure stable operation of the converter. Before you are given control on this sheet the first time, a message appears informing you that changes affect the bill of materials. This is for your information only.



3. Press **OK** to close this window and begin using the worksheet.

There are five columns in this worksheet, with rows 2 and 3 containing numbers. The second column is a set of recommended values corresponding to the component designators in the pictures below the two rows. The third column is where you can modify the numbers and see how the component values change phase margin.

Parameter / Component Values	Recommended Starter Values	User Chosen Values	Units	Comments	
	50	50		Choose a different crossover frequency if needed. Default value is FSW/10.Choose a number between FSW/12 & FSW/8. Suggested component values in column B change as this	Go to Front Page
Loop Bandwidth	50	50	KHZ.	number changes.	
C1	47	47	p⊢		
C2	3,300	3,300	pF	Suggested component values for C1-C3,R1-R3,Rbias & Rramp	Go To
C3	5,600	5,600	pF	in column C. Proceed to "Bode Plots" after making changes.	Schematic
R1	2.490	2.490	KΩ		
R2	3.83	3.830	KΩ		Go To
R3	0.029	0.029	KΩ		Bode Plots
Rbias	2.000	2.000	KΩ		
Rramp	169	169	KΩ		Print
Expected Phase Margin		73	Degrees	With Vin(max)	this page
Vout	1.796	1.796	V	Expected Vout	
					Copy Data & Pictures

There are buttons to the right to help you navigate from one sheet to other.

Go to Front Page returns you to the Front Page.

Go to Schematic accesses the typical application schematic for the part (same as step 4 from the Front Page).

Go to Bode Plots accesses graphs based on your component selections and values (see next page).

Print this Page sends the current sheet to the printer of your choice.

**Copy Data & Pictures** saves this data to the Windows clipboard in a picture format for you to paste into any other Microsoft document.

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#### The Bode Plots page displays plots for full load at minimum and maximum input voltage conditions.

There are text boxes that display the crossover frequency (bandwidth) and the phase margin for this design. Typically, it is a good idea to have greater than  $60^{\circ}$  of phase margin and bandwidth less than one fifth (1/5) of the switching frequency. Each time you return to this page, the new plot is based on the components selected.

There are buttons along the top to help you navigate from one sheet to other.

Go to Front Page returns you to the Front Page.

Go to Schematic accesses the typical application schematic for the part (same as step 4 from the Front Page).

Go to Compensation allows you to change or adjust any of the component values.

Print Bode Plots sends the current sheet to the printer of your choice.

**Copy Bode Plots** saves the plot to the Windows clipboard in a picture format for you to paste into any other Microsoft document.

#### **STEP 4 – Schematics & Layout Recommendations**



Click on **Schematics & Layout Recommendations** button. The typical application diagram that appears changes based on the controller chosen.



There are buttons at the right to help you navigate from one sheet to other.

Go to Front Page returns you to the Front Page.

**Print Schematic** sends the current diagram to the printer of your choice. All the component designators in the Bill of Material sheet (Step 6) refer to this schematic.

Bode Plots / Compensation allows you to change or adjust any of the component values.

**Layout Recommendations** accesses general recommendation on how to layout switching regulators and provides a copy of the evaluation board layout.

**Copy Schematic** saves the diagram to the Windows clipboard in a picture format for you to paste into any other Microsoft document.

#### STEP 5 –Loss Estimate



Click on the Loss Estimate button. The calculator estimates efficiency and losses at minimum and maximum input voltage conditions with the load current as a variable at room temperature in chart form.



There are buttons at the right to help you navigate from one sheet to other.

Go to Front Page returns you to the Front Page.

Go to Schematic accesses the typical application schematic for the part (same as step 4 from the Front Page).

Print Eff & Losses sends the current charts to the printer of your choice.

**Copy Eff & Losses** saves the charts to the Windows clipboard in a picture format for you to paste into any other Microsoft document.

#### STEP 6 – Bill of Materials



- 1. Click on **Bill of Materials** button.
- 2. A dialog box that appears to make sure that you don't jump into this section without entering right values for the inductor and output capacitor. Press **OK** to proceed to the Bill of Materials worksheet or **Cancel** to return to the Front Page.

Check!	×
Please make sure all the data is entered and L & C ch Compensation values OK? Continue?	iosen!
OK Cancel	

This sheet provides all the component values needed to build the design according to your selections and entered values. This sheet includes any changes made in the "compensation" components as well as the inductor and output capacitors. There are a few component manufacturers links for capacitors and inductors to help you find the right parts.

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C1	47.00	pF	1	5% NPO		Generic			_
C2	3.30	nF	1	10% X7R		Generic			
C3	5.60	nF	1	10% X7R		Generic			
C4	1	uF	1	1.0uf, 10V, X5R		Generic			
C6	TBD	pF	1	10% X7R - See Note Be	low on Snubbers	Generic			
Cboot	0.1	uF	1	0.1uf, 16V, X7R		Generic			
Cen	3.3	nF	1	10% X7R -When delaye	d auto-restart is needed	Generic			
Chf	3.3	nF	1	3.3nf, 50V, X7R		Generic			
Cin	User Select	uF	1	Choose a Capacitor with minim	um RMS Current rating of 1 Amps	United Chemi-con	Panasonic		
Cout (Bulk)	0	uF	1	Net Bulk output Capacitance (Electrolytic)		United Chemi-con	Panasonic		
Cout (Ceramic)	88	uF	1	Net Ceramic Capacitors on the output		AVX	Murata		
L	3.30	uH	1	Output Inductor, with at least 3.49 A Current rating		Inter-Technical	Cooper-Bussman	<u>Sumida</u>	
R <sub>PULL</sub>	10	KΩ	1	PGOOD pull-up to +Vcc.		Generic			
R1	2.49	KΩ	1	1%		Generic			
R2	3.83	KΩ	1	1%		Generic			
R3	28.70	Ω	1	5%	5%				
R6	TBD	Ω	1	5%, 1206 - See Note Below on Snubbers		Generic			
Rbias	2.00	KΩ	1	1%		Generic			
Rilim	200.00	KΩ	1	1% (only if less than def	ault OCP)	Generic			
Rramp	169.00	KΩ	1	1%		Generic			
Rt	28.70	KΩ	1	1%		Generic			

There are buttons along the top to help you navigate from one sheet to other.

Go to Schematic accesses the typical application schematic for the part (same as step 4 from the Front Page).

Print BOM sends the current worksheet to the printer of your choice.

Go to Front Page returns you to the Front Page.

**Copy BOM** saves the worksheet view to the Windows clipboard in a picture format for you to paste into any other Microsoft document.

#### STEP 7 – Print All Design Documents



- 1. Click on the **Print All Design Documents** button.
- 2. A dialog box that appears to make sure that you don't jump into this section without entering right values for the inductor and output capacitor. Press **OK** to proceed to print preview or **Cancel** to return to the Front Page.

Check!
Please Make Sure All the data is entered before printing! Continue?
Cancel

This enables you to print all the design documents once. This feature is helpful if you have this design saved and you want to print the documents at all later time. This accesses the standard MSExcel print preview functionality.

3. Click Print... to select the printer and the number of copies to print.

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	C2	3,300	3,300	pF	Suggested component values for C1-C3, R1-R3, Rbias & Rramp are			
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	R1	2.490	2,490	KΩ				
	R2	3.83	3.830	KΩ	-			
	R3	0.029	0.029	KΩ	-			
	Rblas	2.000	2.000	KΩ	_			
	Rramp	169	169	KΩ				
	Expected Phase Margin	65	73	Degree	s With Vh(max)			
	Vout	1.735	1./95		Expedied volt			

After printing, the control returns to the Front Page.

#### **Select Another Regulator**



1. Click the **Select Another Regulator** Button to repeat the process with a new regulator *(see STEP 1)*.



# Design Complete!

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## **Related Datasheets**

- FAN2103 TinyBuck™ 3A, 24V Input Integrated Synchronous Buck Regulator
- FAN2106 TinyBuck™ 6A, 24V Input Integrated Synchronous Buck Regulator
- FAN2108 TinyBuck<sup>TM</sup> 3-24V Input, 8A, High-Efficiency, Integrated Synchronous Buck Regulator
- FAN2110 TinyBuck™ 3-24V Input, 10A, High-Efficiency, Integrated Synchronous Buck Regulator
- <u>FAN21SV04 TinyBuck<sup>TM</sup> 4A, 24V Single-Input Integrated Synchronous Buck Regulator</u>
- FAN21SV06 TinyBuck™ 6A, 24V Input, Single Supply, Integrated Synchronous Buck Regulator
- TinyCalc<sup>TM</sup> Calculator for the Design of TinyBuck<sup>TM</sup>-Based Regulators

#### Notes:

Every effort has been made to ensure that TinyCalc is accurate and reliable; however, if a command throws a "**Run-Time Error**," closing and opening it resolves the issue.

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