



# PBT223 User Manual DC-DC Sync Buck, 0.8-22VDC/3A, Programmable, OLED Display

# **Product Features**

- PBT223 series is a UART programmable DC-DC synchronous buck module.
  - > PBT223-FIXED: supports constant voltage (CV) mode only
  - ➤ PBT223-ADJ: supports 3 operation modes: constant voltage (CV), constant power (CP), and 12-bit DAC mode
- DC-DC Buck Synchronous Step-Down Converter
  - $\triangleright$  Vin = 3.8 30 V
  - Vout = 0.8 22 V (fixed & adjustable output)
  - $\triangleright$  lout = 0 3 A
  - Switching frequency  $f_{sw}$ : default 500kHz, supports 200kHz 2.2MHz
  - > Duty cycle: max 98%
  - > **Soft start time**: default 4.8ms
- UART Read Command: DC-DC output state, Vin, Vout, Iout, Pout, temperature, EEPROM data, etc
- **UART Write Command**: enabled/disable DC-DC output, configure max Vin, max Vout, max lout, max Pout protection values, EEPROM data, etc
- OLED Display: shows real-time Vout, lout, Pout, temperature sensor value
- Software and Hardware Protection Circuits: UVLO, OVP, OCP, OPP, OTP, short circuit protection, input/output reverse polarity protection, ESD protection
- Python API & Example Codes: Python examples, support windows, Linux and Mac
- Operating Temperature: -40 85 °C







Figure 2 PBT223-ADJ





# **Product Selection**

	PBT223-	PBT223-	PBT223-	PBT223-	PBT223-	PBT223-
Functions	0V8	3V3	5V0	12V	22V	ADJ
UART						
Programmable	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>
Vin	2 - 30V	5 - 30V	7 - 30V	14 - 30V	24 - 30V	$V_{out}$ + 5V
						1 - 22V
Vout	0.8V	3.3V	5V	12V	22V	adjustable
lout	0 - 3A	0 - 3A	0 - 3A	0 - 3A	0 - 3A	0 - 3A
Vout ripple	<150mV	<150mV	<150mV	<150mV	<150mV	<400mV
Switching	200 -	200 -	200 -	200 -	200 -	200 -
frequency $f_{sw}$	2200kHz	2200kHz	2200kHz	2200kHz	2200kHz	2200kHz
Operating		-40 -	-40 -	-40 -	-40 -	
Temperature	-40 - 85 °C	85 °C	85 °C	85 °C	85 °C	-40 - 85 °C
Full protection						
circuits	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>~</b>





# **Application Scenarios**

- Industrial automation production lines
- Automated test machines
- Embedded electronic devices
- Constant power load
- High-precision power supply systems
- Battery management systems
- Universities, research institutions, and laboratories
- STEM education and training institutions

# **Version Control**

Version Number	Release Date	Version Description and Changes
1.0	May 1, 2024	Initial release
2.0	June 1, 2024	<ul> <li>Updated PBT223 communication protocol</li> <li>Added detailed introduction of PBT223-ADJ</li> </ul>





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# 1 Electrical Parameter

# 1.1 DC-DC Synchronous Buck Converter

Parameter	Value	Value			
Vin	• Vin = 3.8 – 30 V				
	▶ PBT223-FIXED: (Vout + 2) < Vin < 30V				
	> <b>PBT223-ADJ</b> : (Vout + 5) < Vin < 30V				
	Model Vout Vin range				
	PBT223-0V8	Vout = 0.8V	Vin = 2 – 30 V		
	PBT223-3V3	Vout = 3.3V	Vin = 5 – 30 V		
	PBT223-5V0	Vout = 5.0V	Vin = 7 – 30 V		
	PBT223-12V	Vout = 12V	Vin = 14 – 30 V		
	PBT223-22V	Vout = 22V	Vin = 24 – 30 V		
	PBT223-ADJ	Vout = 1-22V	Vin = (Vout + 5V) – 30 V		
		adjustable			
I <sub>in</sub>	• 0-3A				
Vout	• Vout = 0.8 – 2	22 V			
	PBT223-FIXED: fixed output				
	PBT223-ADJ: programmable & manually adjustable output				
lout	• 0-3A				
Vout ripple	PBT223-FIXE	<b>D</b> : <100mV			
	• PBT223-ADJ: <400mV				
Working frequency $f_{sw}$	Default 500kHz				
	Support 200 kHz – 2.2 MHz				
Soft Start Time $t_{ss}$	Default 5ms				
	• Support ≥ 1ms				
Efficiency $\eta$	• 85 - 97%				





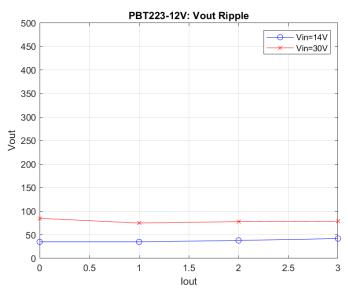
## 1.2 PBT223-FIXED Fixed Output

The following experimental data was obtained under the following test conditions:

- PBT223-12V module
- Room temperature 25°C
- 1 standard atmosphere

#### 1.2.1 Vout Ripple

**Test Objective:** The Vout ripple should be <100mV under different lout load conditions as the Vin varies.



PBT223-12V: Output voltage ripple @ Vin = 14V						
lout (A)	ut (A) Vout ripple Pass Criteria Test Result					
	$V_{out\_pp}$ (mV)					
0	35	≤100mV	PASS			
1	35	≤100mV	PASS			
2	38	≤100mV	PASS			
3	42	≤100mV	PASS			

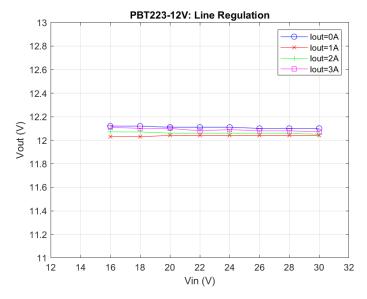
PBT223-12V: Output voltage ripple @ Vin = 30V					
Iout (A) Vout ripple Pass Criteria Test Result					
	$V_{out\_pp}$ (mV)				
0	85	≤100mV	PASS		
1	75	≤100mV	PASS		
2	78	≤100mV	PASS		
3	79	≤100mV	PASS		





## 1.2.2 Line Regulation

 $\textbf{Test Objective} : \textbf{The output voltage } V_{out} \ \textbf{should remain stable as the input voltage } V_{in} \ \textbf{varies}.$ 



	PBT223-12V: Line regulation			
I <sub>out</sub> (A)	Vin (V)	Vout (V)		
0	16	12.12		
	18	12.12		
	20	12.11		
	22	12.11		
	24	12.11		
	26	12.1		
	28	12.1		
	30	12.1		
1	16	12.03		
	18	12.03		
	20	12.04		
	22	12.04		
	24	12.04		
	26	12.04		
	28	12.04		
	30	12.04		
2	16	12.07		
	18	12.07		
	20	12.06		
	22	12.06		
	24	12.06		
	26	12.06		
	28	12.06		
	30	12.05		





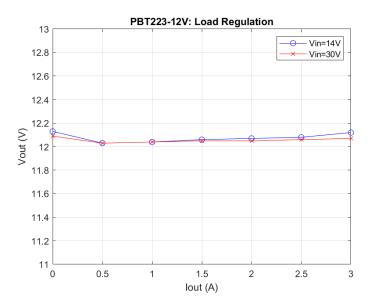
3	16	12.11
	18	12.1
	20	12.1
	22	12.08
	24	12.09
	26	12.08
	28	12.08
	30	12.07





## 1.2.3 Load Regulation

**Test Objective:** the output voltage Vout should remain stable under different load lout conditions.



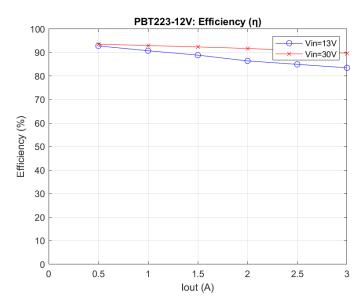
	PBT223-12V: Load Regulation			
Vin (V)	lout (A)	Vout (V)		
14	0	12.13		
	0.5	12.03		
	1	12.04		
	1.5	12.06		
	2	12.07		
	2.5	12.08		
	3	12.12		
30	0	12.09		
	0.5	12.03		
	1	12.04		
	1.5	12.05		
	2	12.05		
	2.5	12.06		
	3	12.07		





## 1.2.4 Efficiency (%)

**Test Objective**: the lower the conversion efficiency, the higher the heat generated by the buck chip; conversely, the higher the conversion efficiency, the lower the heat generated by the buck chip.

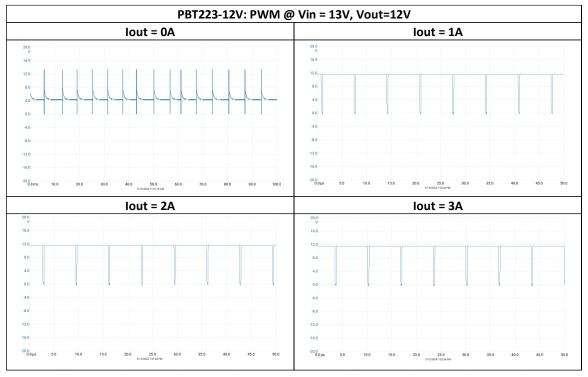


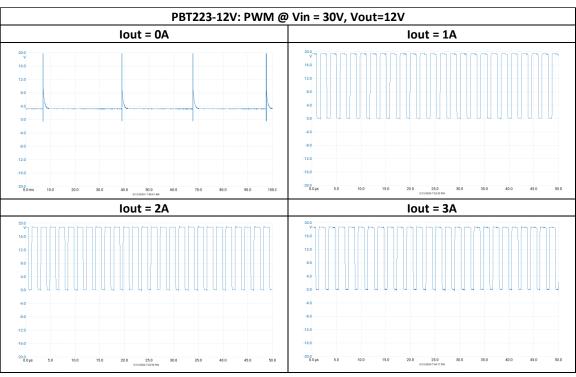
PBT223-12V: Efficiency (η)				
Vin (V)	lout (A)	Efficiency (%)		
13V	0.5	92.83		
	1	90.78		
	1.5	88.91		
	2	86.46		
	2.5	85.00		
	3	83.52		
30V	0.5	93.58		
	1	92.99		
	1.5	92.40		
	2	91.75		
	2.5	90.86		
	3	89.71		





#### 1.2.5 PWM









#### 1.3 PBT223-ADJ Adjustable Output

PBT223-ADJ supports 3 operating modes: constant voltage (CV), constant power (CP), and DAC mode. It can be manual control or program control via UART commands.

#### **3 Operation Modes**

- **DAC Mode**: By adjusting the 12-bit digital signal from 0 to 4095, the Vout can be linearly adjusted from 1 to 22V.
- **Constant Voltage (CV) Mode**: The MCU monitors Vout in real-time and uses a PID algorithm to automatically adjust to the target Vout within 3 seconds.
- Constant Power (CP) Mode: The MCU monitors Vout and lout in real-time, calculates
  Pout, and uses a PID algorithm to automatically adjust to the target Pout within 3
  seconds.

#### **Manual Control**

Users can rotate encoder clockwise or anti-clockwise, short press or long press the
encoder button to manually control operation mode and target value. Please read
<Rotary Encoder with Button> section for more details.

#### **Program Control**

- Please read the <<u>UART Program Control</u>> section to understand read and write commands.
- The latest Python API and example code can be downloaded from the official <u>GitHub</u> repository





#### 1.3.1 DAC Mode (0-4095)

As shown in the following graph, the closer the  $R^2 = 1$ , the more linear the relationship between 12-bit DAC signal and Vout.

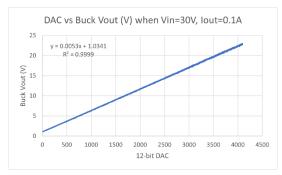


Figure 3 DAC vs Vout when Vin=30V, lout=0.1A

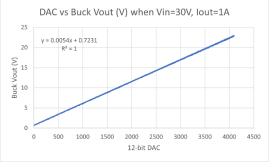


Figure 4 DAC vs Vout when Vin=30V, lout=1A

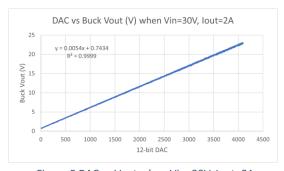


Figure 5 DAC vs Vout when Vin=30V, Iout=2A





## 1.3.2 Constant Voltage (CV) Mode

The following graphs shows the PBT223-ADJ CV mode with target voltage from 2 to 22V, with increment step size 2V, with output loading current lout = 0.1/1/2 A.

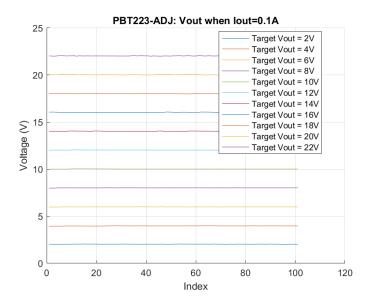


Figure 6 Constant Voltage (CV) Mode: Iout=0.1A

	PBT223-ADJ CV Mode: Vout Statistics (lout=0.1A)					
Target Vout	Mean	Variance	Std	Max	Min	
2	2.04	0	0.01	2.06	2.03	
4	3.98	0	0.01	3.99	3.95	
6	5.99	0	0.01	6	5.98	
8	8.02	0	0.01	8.03	7.98	
10	10.02	0	0.01	10.05	10	
12	12.04	0	0.01	12.06	12.03	
14	14.04	0	0.01	14.07	14.01	
16	16.03	0	0.02	16.08	15.99	
18	18.03	0	0.02	18.08	17.99	
20	20.04	0	0.02	20.1	20	
22	22.04	0	0.02	22.11	22	



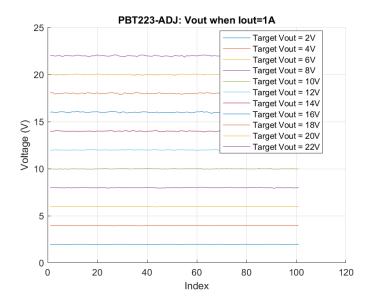


Figure 7 Constant Voltage (CV) Mode: Iout=1A

PBT223-ADJ CV Mode: Vout Statistics (lout=1A)					
Target Vout	Mean	Variance	Std	Max	Min
2	1.95	0	0.01	1.97	1.93
4	3.96	0	0.01	3.99	3.93
6	5.98	0	0.02	6.02	5.93
8	7.99	0	0.02	8.03	7.92
10	9.99	0	0.02	10.04	9.93
12	11.99	0	0.03	12.05	11.9
14	13.99	0	0.03	14.08	13.91
16	16	0	0.04	16.09	15.86
18	18.01	0	0.05	18.12	17.88
20	19.99	0	0.04	20.07	19.9
22	22	0	0.06	22.12	21.83



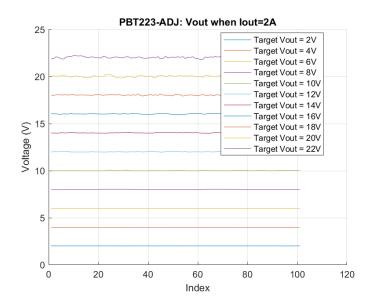


Figure 8 Constant Voltage (CV) Mode: Iout=2A

PBT223-ADJ CV Mode: Vout Statistics (lout=2A)					
Target Vout	Mean	Variance	Std	Max	Min
2	2.01	0	0	2.02	2.01
4	3.97	0	0	3.98	3.96
6	5.98	0	0.01	5.99	5.96
8	8.01	0	0.01	8.02	7.99
10	10.01	0	0.01	10.06	9.99
12	12.01	0	0.02	12.07	11.97
14	14.03	0	0.02	14.08	13.97
16	16.03	0	0.03	16.09	15.97
18	18.03	0	0.05	18.16	17.92
20	20.03	0.01	0.09	20.23	19.86
22	22.02	0.01	0.1	22.24	21.81





#### 1.3.3 Constant Power (CP) Mode

- CP mode can be used for supplying power to heating rods to achieve stable heat power dissipation.
- The heating rod is a resistive device which converts electrical energy to thermal energy. The heat dissipation formula is P=I<sup>2</sup>\*R. After about 100-300 hours of heating, the heating rod resistance will drift. As a result, output heat power will drift as well.
- PBT223-ADJ CP mode could continuously monitor the Vout, lout and Pout, and automatically compensate the Pout drift due to the heating rod resistance variation. As a result, making sure the Pout is stable. It's an innovative method for power and temperature control applications.

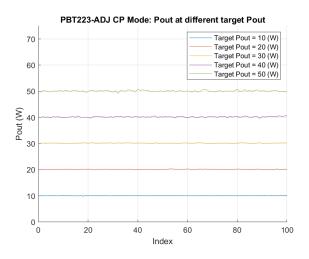


Figure 9 Constant Power (CP) Mode

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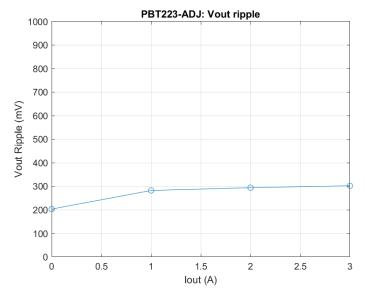
- PBT223-ADJ module
- Room temperature 25°C
- 1 standard atmosphere





## 1.3.4 Vout Ripple

**Test Objective:** The Vout ripple  $V_{out\_pp}$  should be <350mV under different lout load conditions.



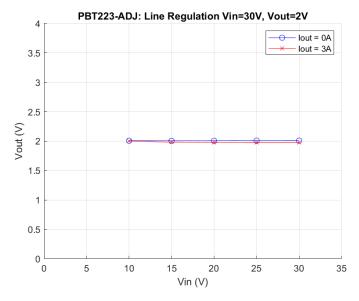
PBT223-ADJ: Vin = 30V, Vout=22V			
lout (A)	Vout Ripple (mV)	Pass Criteria	Test Result
0	203	≤350mV	PASS
1	282	≤350mV	PASS
2	294	≤350mV	PASS
3	302	≤350mV	PASS





## 1.3.5 Line Regulation

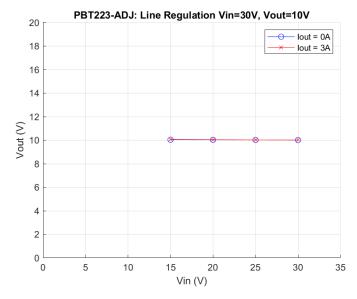
**Test Objective:** The Vout should remain stable as the Vin varies.



PBT223-ADJ: Line Regulation (Vin=30V, Vout=2V)			
lout (A)	Vin (V)	Vout (V)	
0	10	2.008	
	15	2.006	
	20	2.007	
	25	2.009	
	30	2.01	
3	10	2.001	
	15	1.983	
	20	1.978	
	25	1.977	
	30	1.977	·



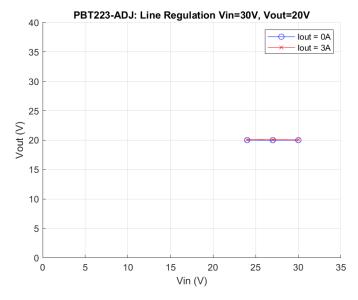




PBT223-ADJ: Line Regulation (Vin=30V, Vout=10V)			
lout (A)	Vin (V)	Vout (V)	
0	15	10.04	
	20	10.03	
	25	10.02	
	30	10.01	
3	15	10.06	
	20	10.04	
	25	10.02	
	30	10.02	







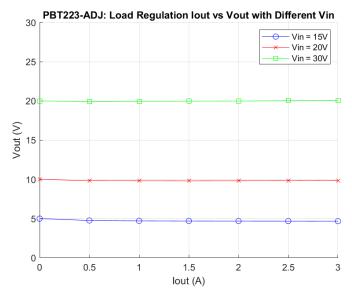
PBT223-ADJ: Line Regulation (Vin=30V, Vout=20V)			
lout (A)	Vin (V)	Vout (V)	
0	24	20.01	
	27	20	
	30	20	
3	24	20.1	
	27	20.08	
	30	20.06	





## 1.3.6 Load Regulation

**Test Objective:** The Vout should remain stable under different lout load conditions.



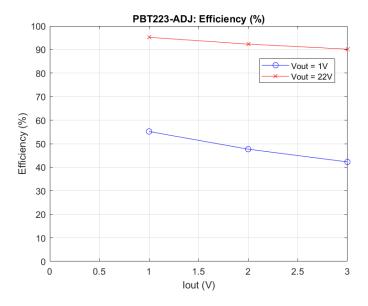
PBT223-ADJ: Load Regulation			
Vin (V)	lout (A)	Vout (V)	
15	0	5	
	0.5	4.765	
	1	4.711	
	1.5	4.695	
	2	4.688	
	2.5	4.684	
	3	4.673	
20	0	10	
	0.5	9.84	
	1	9.83	
	1.5	9.82	
	2	9.83	
	2.5	9.84	
	3	9.86	
30	0	20.01	
	0.5	19.92	
	1	19.96	
	1.5	19.98	
	2	19.99	
	2.5	20.04	
	3	20.06	





## 1.3.7 Efficiency (%)

**Test Objective:** The higher the conversion efficiency, the lower the heat dissipation from the DC-DC buck circuit, the better energy usage.

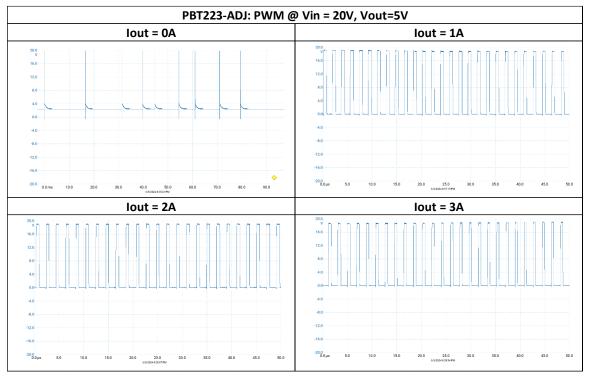


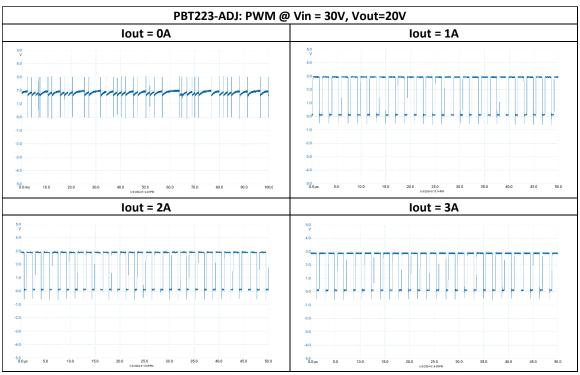
Vin (V)	Vout (V)	lout (A)	Pin (W)	Pout (W)	Efficiency (%)
30	1	1	1.83	1.01	55.19
		2	3.72	1.7733	47.67
		3	5.55	2.3461	42.27
	22	1	23.1	21.992	95.20
		2	47.67	44.006	92.31
		3	73.14	65.96	90.18





#### 1.3.8 PWM









#### 1.4 Rotary Encoder with Button

Only the PBT223-ADJ model includes a rotary encoder.

- **Encoder rotation**: The knob can be manually rotated clockwise or counterclockwise. Each rotatory adjustment has tactile feedback.
- **Encoder button**: it's a tactile button which resets automatically when released.
- ➤ Short Press: A press of <1 second is considered a short press. Short presses are used to adjust the step size, allowing for quick and precise adjustment of the target voltage, power or DAC value.

Adjustment Level	Constant Voltage	<b>Constant Power</b>	DAC Mode
	(CV) Mode	(CP) Mode	0 - 4095
	1 – 22V	0.1 – 66W	
Level 1	0.01 V	0.01 W	1
Level 2	0.1 V	0.1 W	10
Level 3	1 V	1 W	100
Level 4	10 V	10 W	1000

➤ Long Press: A press of >1 second is considered a long press. Long presses are used to switch between 3 operating modes: constant voltage (CV), constant power (CP) or DAC mode.



Figure 10 PBT223-ADJ: CV Mode = 1V



Figure 11 PBT223-ADJ: CV Mode = 22V



Figure 12 PBT223-ADJ: CP Mode = 1W



Figure 13 PBT223-ADJ: CP Mode = 50W



Figure 14 PBT223-ADJ: DAC Mode = 0



*Figure 15 PBT223-ADJ: DAC Mode = 4095* 





# 1.5 UART Program Control

Parameter	Value
Communication Mode	USART
Baud Rate	115200
Data Bits	8
Stop Bits	1
Parity	Odd
Flow Control	None

# 1.6 Temperature Sensor

Parameter	Value
Chip Model	PN: TMP102 (Texas Instruments, USA)
Temperature Range	-40 − 125 °C
Temperature Resolution	0.0625 ℃
Temperature Accuracy	-25 – 85 °C : ± 0.5°C
	-40 − 125 °C : ± 1°C
Update Rate	4 Hz







#### 1.7 DC-DC Switch Button

It is used to turn the DC-DC output ON or OFF.



#### 1.8 EEPROM Data Mapping

- When the PBT223-ADJ operating mode or target DAC/Vout/Pout values are adjusted, the EEPROM automatically saves the user's last configuration.
- Upon restarting the PBT223-ADJ board, it will revert and keep the most recent configuration.
- Users can read and write EEPROM data via the USART port. The simple way is to use provided <a href="Python API from GitHub">Python API from GitHub</a>.
  - ➤ **EEPROM address**: 0x00 0xFF
  - ➤ User self-defined address: 0x00 0xDF
  - Pre-defined and reversed address: 0xE0 0xFF
  - ➤ EEPROM each address could read or write 1 byte data: 0x00 0xFF

EEPROM Data Map			
EEPROM	EEPROM Data	Unit	
Address			
0x00 -	User-defined	/	
0xDF			
0xE0	PBT233-ADJ operating mode	0: Constant Voltage (CV) mode	
		1: Constant Power (CP) mode	
		2: DAC mode"	
0xE1	PBT233-ADJ: Target Vout in CV mode	Target Vout = XX.XX (V)	
	(integer part)		
0xE2	PBT233-ADJ: Target Vout in CV mode	Target Vout = XX.XX (V)	
	(decimal part, 2 decimal places)		
0xE3	PBT233-ADJ: Target Pout in CP mode	Target Pout = XX.XX (W)	
	(integer part)		





Compared to the compared to	0xE4	DDT222 ADI: Towart Dout in CD made	Towart Doub - VV VV (M)
OxE5 PBT233-ADJ: Target DAC value in DAC mode (high 4 bits of 12-bit DAC value)  OxE6 PBT233-ADJ: Target DAC value in DAC mode (low 8 bits of 12-bit DAC value)  OxE7 - Reserved, not used  OXE7 - Software protection: max Vin integer part (2 decimal places)  OxF2 Software protection: max Vout integer part (2 decimal places)  OxF3 Software protection: max Vout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF4 Software protection: max Vout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF5 Software protection: max lout integer part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used /	UXE4	PBT233-ADJ: Target Pout in CP mode	Target Pout = XX.XX (W)
mode (high 4 bits of 12-bit DAC value)  OxE6 PBT233-ADJ: Target DAC value in DAC mode (low 8 bits of 12-bit DAC value)  OxE7 Reserved, not used  OxF0 Software protection: max Vin integer part  OxF1 Software protection: max Vin decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF2 Software protection: max Vout integer part  OxF3 Software protection: max Vout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF4 Software protection: max lout integer part  OxF5 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used  /   //		(decimal part, 2 decimal places)	
OxE6 PBT233-ADJ: Target DAC value in DAC mode (low 8 bits of 12-bit DAC value)  OxE7 - Reserved, not used  OxF0 Software protection: max Vin integer part  OxF1 Software protection: max Vin decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF2 Software protection: max Vout integer part  OxF3 Software protection: max Vout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF4 Software protection: max lout integer part  OxF5 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used  // XXXX (W)	0xE5	PBT233-ADJ: Target DAC value in DAC	/
mode (low 8 bits of 12-bit DAC value)  OxE7 - OxEF  OxF0		mode (high 4 bits of 12-bit DAC value)	
0xE7 - 0xEF       Reserved, not used       /         0xF0       Software protection: max Vin integer part       XX.XX (V)         0xF1       Software protection: max Vin decimal part (2 decimal places)       XX.XX (V)         0xF2       Software protection: max Vout integer part       XX.XX (V)         0xF3       Software protection: max Vout decimal part (2 decimal places)       XX.XX (V)         0xF4       Software protection: max lout integer part       X.XX (A)         0xF5       Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)       XX.XX (W)         0xF6       Software protection: max Pout integer part       XX.XX (W)         0xF7       Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)       XX.XX (W)         0xF8 -       Reserved, not used       /	0xE6	PBT233-ADJ: Target DAC value in DAC	/
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DXF3 Software protection: max Vout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OXF4 Software protection: max lout integer part  OXF5 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OXF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OXF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OXF8 - Reserved, not used  XX.XX (V)  XX.XX (A)  XX.XX (A)  XX.XX (W)  XX.XX (W)		part (2 decimal places)	
OxF3 Software protection: max Vout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF4 Software protection: max lout integer part  OxF5 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used  XX.XX (V)  XX.XX (V)  XX.XX (W)  XX.XX (W)	0xF2	Software protection: max Vout integer	XX.XX (V)
part (2 decimal places)  OxF4 Software protection: max lout integer part  OxF5 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used  X.XX (A)  X.XX (A)  X.XX (A)  X.XX (B)  XX.XX (C)		part	
OxF4 Software protection: max lout integer part  OxF5 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used  X.XX (A)  X.XX (A)  X.XX (A)  X.XX (A)	0xF3	Software protection: max Vout decimal	XX. <b>XX</b> (V)
part  OxF5 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used  XX.XX (W)		part (2 decimal places)	
OxF5 Software protection: max lout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used /	0xF4	Software protection: max lout integer	X.XX (A)
part (2 decimal places)  OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used /		part	
OxF6 Software protection: max Pout integer part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used /	0xF5	Software protection: max lout decimal	X. <b>XX</b> (A)
part  OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal XX.XX (W)  part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used /		part (2 decimal places)	
OxF7 Software protection: max Pout decimal XX.XX (W) part (2 decimal places)  OxF8 - Reserved, not used /	0xF6	Software protection: max Pout integer	XX.XX (W)
part (2 decimal places)  0xF8 - Reserved, not used /		part	
0xF8 - Reserved, not used /	0xF7	Software protection: max Pout decimal	XX.XX (W)
, and the second se		part (2 decimal places)	
0xFF	0xF8 -	Reserved, not used	/
	0xFF		





# 1.9 OLED 1.3" Display

Screen Size: 1.3 inchesRefresh Rate: 5 Hz



## 1.10 LED Indicators

LED	Indication	
Green LED (left)	ON: digital circuit power supply is normal	
	OFF: No digital circuit power supply	
Green LED (right)	ON: DC-DC output is enabled	
	OFF: DC-DC output is disabled	
USART RX Yellow LED	ON or blink: Receiving data	
	OFF: No data received	
USART RX Blue LED	ON or blink: Transmitting data	
	OFF: No data transmitted	





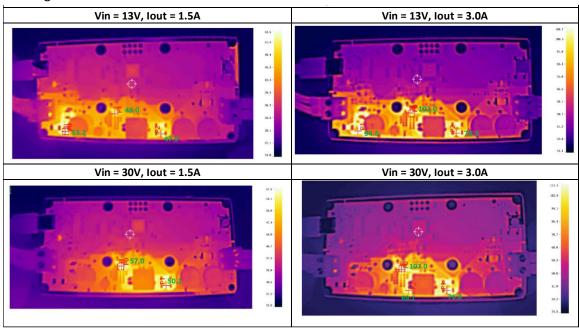


## 1.11 Watchdog

- The MCU firmware has the watchdog function.
- Under normal conditions, the MCU feeds the watchdog every 500ms to prevent the MCU from restarting.
- If the MCU fails to feed the watchdog >2000ms, the MCU will automatically restart.

#### 1.12 Operating Temperature

- The product's operating temperature range is -40 to 85  $^{\circ}$ C
- [Note] When the Pout>50W continuously, heat sink or fan is necessary for cooling.
- The following images show the PBT223 bare PCBA thermal performance under different working conditions.







# 2. Communication Protocol

# 2.1 Read Command

	Read Command				
Byte	Command	Function	Remarks		
Byte 0	0x00	Represents read command	/		
Byte 1	0x00	Read buck status: ON/OFF	1: DCDC is ON 0: DCDC is OFF		
	0x01	Read Vin	2 decimal places (V)		
	0x02	Read Vout	2 decimal places (V)		
	0x03	Read Iout	2 decimal places (A)		
	0x04	Read Pout	2 decimal places (W)		
	0x05	Read PBT223-ADJ mode	Applicable only to PBT223-ADJ, 3 modes include:  1) Constant Voltage (CV)  2) Constant Power (CP)  3) DAC mode: 0 - 4095		
	0x06	Read target voltage in constant voltage (CV) mode	2 decimal places (V)		
	0x07	Read target power in constant power (CP) mode	2 decimal places (W)		
	0x08	Read 12-bit DAC value: 0 - 4095	* Applicable only to PBT223-ADJ		
	0x09	Read max Vin software protection	2 decimal places (V)		
	0x10	Read max Vout software limit	2 decimal places (V)		
	0x11	Read max lout software limit	2 decimal places (A)		
	0x12	Read max Pout software limit	2 decimal places (W)		
	0x13	Read LDO VDDA voltage	3 decimal places (V)		
	0x14	Read MCU temperature	2 decimal places (°C)		
	0x15	Read temperature sensor	2 decimal places (°C)		
	0x16	Read OLED status: ON/OFF	1: OLED is ON 0: OLED is OFF		
	0x17	Read data from specified EEPROM address	1) EEPROM address range = 0x00 - 0xFF 2) Data range = 0x00 - 0xFF		





	0xF0	Read PN	Possible PN includes:
			PBT223-0V8
			PBT223-3V3
			PBT223-5V
			PBT223-12V
			PBT223-22V
			PBT223-ADJ
	0xF1	Read SN	96-bit UUID
	0xF2	Read hardware version	HW: X.Y.Z
			X = Major hardware change (e.g.,
			add/remove components)
			Y = Minor hardware update (e.g.,
			PN change)
			Z = Patch (e.g., bug fix)
	0xF3	Read firmware version	FW: X.Y.Z
			X = Major firmware change (e.g.,
			new features or algorithms)
			Y = Minor firmware update (e.g.,
			feature improvements)
			Z = Patch (e.g., bug fix)
Byte	If Byte 1 is	Read data from any EEPROM	Data at EEPROM address 0x00 -
2	0x17	address (0x00 - 0xFF)	0xFF
	Otherwise	Undefined, can be filled with any	1
		byte	
Byte	Undefined	Can be filled with any byte	/
3			





# 2.2 Write Command

	Write Command				
Byte	Command Function		Remarks		
Byte	0x01	Represents write command	/		
0					
Byte	0x00	Turn off DC-DC	/		
1	0x01	Turn on DC-DC	/		
	0x02	Set target Vout in Constant Voltage	Applicable only to PBT223-ADJ		
		(CV) mode	Vout range = 1 - 22 (V), float, 2		
			decimal places		
			Requires Byte 2 and Byte 3		
	0x03	Set target Pout in Constant Power	Applicable only to PBT223-ADJ		
		(CP) mode	Pout range = 1 - 66 (W), float, 2		
			decimal places		
			Requires Byte 2 and Byte 3		
	0x04	Set target DAC value in DAC mode	Applicable only to PBT223-ADJ		
			DAC range = 0 - 4095 (integer)		
			Requires Byte 2 and Byte 3		
	0x05	Set max Vin software protection	2 decimal places (V)		
			Requires Byte 2 and Byte 3		
	0x06	Set max Vout software protection	2 decimal places (V)		
			Requires Byte 2 and Byte 3		
	0x07	Set max lout software protection	2 decimal places (A)		
			Requires Byte 2 and Byte 3		
	0x08	Set max Pout software protection	2 decimal places (W)		
			Requires Byte 2 and Byte 3		
	0x09	Turn on OLED screen	/		
	0x10	Turn off OLED screen	/		
	0x11	Enable data stream mode	2 ways to view data stream:		
			1) Via serial port tool, data format:		
			/Vin, Vout, Iout, Pout,		
			temperature/, 2 decimal places		
			2) Download 'Serial Studio' software		
			for real-time data graphing		
			See User Manual for details		
	0x12	Disable data stream mode	/		
	0x13	Write data to EEPROM address	/		
Byte	If Byte 1 is	Write integer part of value XX.XX	/		
2	0x02 -				
	0x08				





	If Byte 1 is	Select EEPROM address, save user-	EEPROM addresses 0xE0 - 0xFF are
	0x13	defined data: 0x00 - 0xDF	reserved for specific functions
	Otherwise	Undefined, can be filled with any	/
		byte	
Byte	If Byte 1 is	Write decimal part of value XX.XX	2 decimal places
3	0x02 -		
	0x08		
	If Byte 1 is	Write EEPROM data: 0x00 - 0xFF	1
	0x13		
	Otherwise	Undefined, can be filled with any	/
		byte	

# 2.3 Error Message

Error Message		
Byte 0 Error "Error byte 0: unknown read / write command"		
Byte 1 Error (Read)	Byte 1 Error (Read) "Error byte 1: unknown read command"	
Byte 1 Error (Write) "Error byte 1: unknown write command"		





# 3. Protection Circuits

#### 3.1 Electrical Software Protections

- User can use UART command to configure the software protection values: max Vin, max Vout, max lout, max Pout.
- By default, the software protection

PN	Max Vin (V)	Max Vout (V)	Max lout (A)	Max Pout (W)
PBT223-0V8	33.0	1.5	3.5	5.25
PBT223-3V3	33.0	4.5	3.5	15.75
PBT223-5V0	33.0	6.0	3.5	21.0
PBT223-12V	33.0	13.0	3.5	45.5
PBT223-22V	33.0	25.0	3.5	75.0
PBT223-ADJ	33.0	25.0	3.5	75.0

# 3.2 Electrical Input Protections

Protection	Hardware Input Protection	Software Input Protection
Function		
Over-voltage Protection (OVP)	TVS diode 36V over-voltage protection	<ul> <li>When Vin &gt; max Vin for more than 300ms, MCU shuts down DC-DC output.</li> <li>Users can set max input voltage max Vin via USART command (Python API).</li> </ul>
Over-current	One-time fuse (Littlefuse USA)	/
Protection	blows at $I_{in} > 3.5$ A	
(OCP)		
Reverse	PMOS reverse polarity protection	/
Polarity		
Protection		





# 3.3 Electrical Output Protections

Protection	Hardware Output Protection	Software Output Protection
Over-voltage	When Vout > 115% of the	When Vout > max Vout for more
Protection	rated value, DC-DC shuts	than 300ms, MCU shuts down DC-
(OVP)	down output and Vout drops.	DC output
	When Vout drops to 110% of	Users can set max Vout via <u>USART</u>
	the rated value, DC-DC	command (Python API)
	resumes output.	
	TVS diode protection to	
	support both resistive and	
	inductive load.	
Under-voltage	When DC-DC malfunctions or load	/
Protection	is abnormal and Vout < 65% of the	
(UVP)	rated value, DC-DC shuts down	
	and enters hiccup mode.	
Over-current	/	When lout > max lout for more
Protection		than 300ms, MCU shuts down DC-
(OCP)		DC output
		Users can set max lout via <u>USART</u>
		command (Python API)
Short-circuit	DC-DC chip short-circuit protection	/
Protection		
(SCP)		
Over-power	/	When Pout > max Pout for more
Protection		than 300ms, MCU shuts down DC-
(OPP)		DC output
		Users can set max Pout via <u>USART</u>
		command (Python API)





#### 3.4 Over Temperature Protection (OTP)

- The MCU will activate OTP and disable the DC-DC output when any of the following conditions are met:
  - ➤ The MCU internal temperature sensor >80°C for 300ms continuously
  - ➤ The temperature sensor near the DC-DC converter >120°C for 300ms continuously
  - ➤ The temperature of the DC-DC chip >165°C immediately
- The MCU will deactivate OTP and enable the DC-DC output when all of the following conditions are met:
  - ➤ The MCU internal temperature sensor <70°C for 300ms continuously
  - ➤ The temperature sensor near the DC-DC converter <110°C for 300ms continuously
  - ➤ The temperature of the DC-DC chip >135°C immediately

#### 3.5 ESD Protection

ESD Protection Area	Protection Circuit	Notes
USB connector	TVS diode and capacitor	/
DC-DC Input Connector	TVS diode and capacitor	/
DC-DC Output Connector	TVS diode and capacitor	Support both resistive and
	High speed	inductive load
PCBA Edge	Grounded and punched PCBA	/
	edge	





# 4. Functional Block Diagram

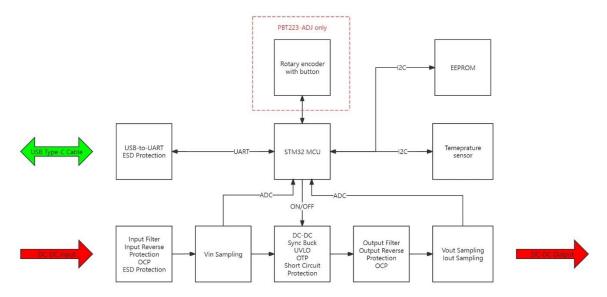


Figure 16 PBT223 Functional Block Diagram

# 5. Product Images

## 5.1 Real Product







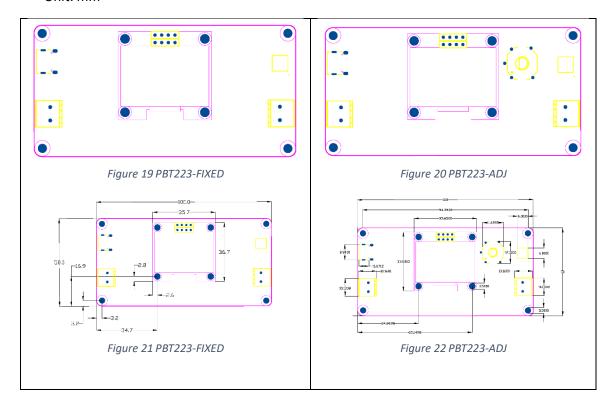
Figure 18 PBT223-ADJ





# 5.2 2D Drawings

- 2D drawings formats: DWG, DXF, PNG
- Unit: mm

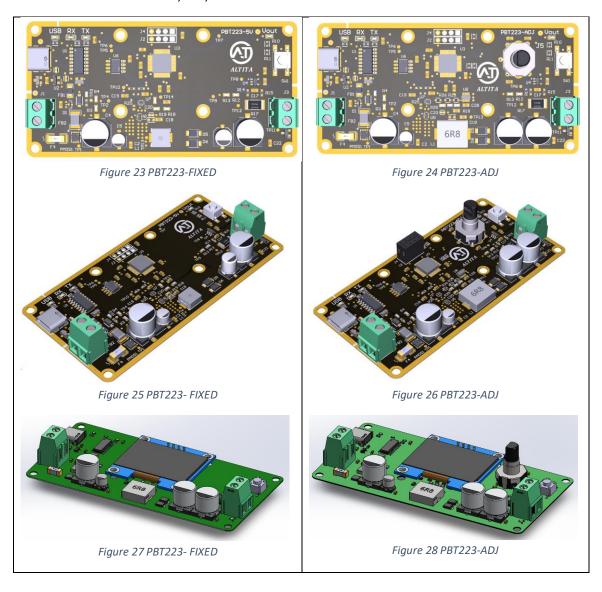






## 5.3 3D Models

• 3D model formats: STEP, STL, PDF 3D

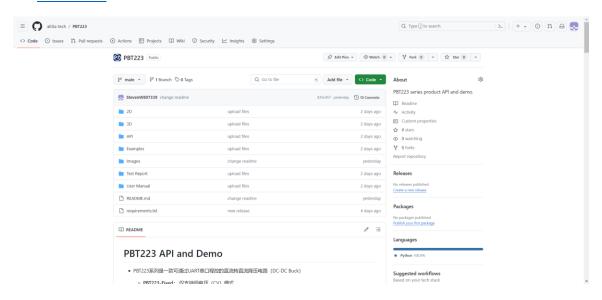






# 6. GitHub & Python API

• GitHub Link



## 7. Test Report

All products are 100% tested with a test report when delivered. Test report templates are given below.

- PBT223-FIXED test report
- PBT223-ADJ test report

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