



EVQ8875A-VE-00A

36V, 5A, Single-Channel, Quad-Switch, Synchronous, DC/DC Buck-Boost Converter Evaluation Board

DESCRIPTION

The EVQ8875A-VE-00A is an evaluation board designed to demonstrate the capabilities of the MPQ8875A, a 36V, monolithic, synchronous DC/DC buck-boost converter.

The device's wide 2.2V to 36V input voltage range is ideal for multi-purpose automotive and industrial applications.

Constant-on-time (COT) control and the integrated quad-switch configuration allow the MPQ8875A to flexibly change between the buck, boost, and buck-boost topologies. This optimizes performance and efficiency for input voltages above, below, or equal to the output voltage (V_{OUT}). COT also ensures seamless transitions between the adjacent operational regions.

The MPQ8875A's configurable parameters are set via the I²C interface, and do not require any additional hardware changes.

The switching frequency (f_{sw}) can be configured between 200kHz and 1MHz or synchronized between 250kHz and 1MHz via an external clock signal. To improve EMI performance, the configurable frequency spread spectrum function can dither f_{sw} periodically.

Fault protections include input under-voltage lockout (UVLO), input over-voltage protection (OVP), cycle-by-cycle peak current limiting, output OVP, output short-circuit protection (SCP), and thermal shutdown. The built-in power good (PG) indicator determines whether V_{OUT} is regulated properly.

The EVQ8875A-VE-00A is a fully assembled and tested evaluation board.

ELECTRICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Units
Input voltage	V_{IN}	4.5 to 36	V
Output voltage	V_{OUT}	11.5	V
Output current	I_{OUT}	0 to 5	A

FEATURES

- Wide 2.2V to 36V Operating Input Range
- Up to 5A Continuous Output Current
- <25 μ A Shutdown Current
- 180 μ A Quiescent Current when $V_{IN} = 12V$
- Single-Channel, Quad-Switch, Synchronous Buck-Boost Configuration:
 - 10m Ω Internal Buck HS-FET
 - 10m Ω Internal Boost LS-FET
 - 25m Ω Internal Boost High-Side (HS) Synchronous Rectifier
 - 25m Ω Internal Buck Low-Side (LS) Synchronous Rectifier
- COT Control for Seamless Transitions
- Internal Soft Start (SS)
- Smart Power Good (PG) Output
- Optimized for Efficiency and EMI Performance:
 - 200kHz to 1MHz Configurable Switching Frequency (f_{sw})
 - 250kHz to 1MHz Synchronized f_{sw}
 - Frequency Spread Spectrum
 - Configurable Switching Speed
- Protection Features:
 - Cycle-by-Cycle Current Limiting
 - Over-Current Protection (OCP)
 - Configurable Input UVLO
 - Output Over-Voltage Protection (OVP)
 - Input OVP
 - Output Short-Circuit Protection (SCP)
 - Over-Temperature Protection (OTP)
- Standard, Configurable via I²C Interface:
 - Converter On/Off
 - Input Range Selection
 - 0.5V to 30V Output Range for Forced Continuous Conduction Mode (FCCM)
 - 5V to 30V Output Range for Discontinuous Conduction Mode (DCM)
 - Synchronized Input and Output
 - Switching Slew Rate
 - f_{sw}
 - Frequency Spread Spectrum
 - Compensation Network
 - Ramp Compensation

FEATURES (continued)

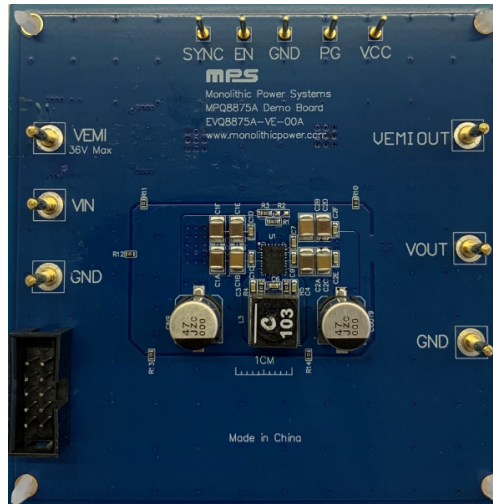
- Soft-Start Time
- Dynamic V_{OUT} with Slew Rate Control
- DCM and FCCM
- COT Control for Boost Switch in Buck-Boost Mode
- Input and Output OVP
- Cycle-by-Cycle Current Limit Threshold
- Reverse Current Limit Threshold
- OCP
- Output SCP
- Thermal Protection
- PG Threshold
- Junction Temperature Reading
- One-Time Programmable (OTP) Default Parameter
- Available in a QFN-34 (4mmx5mm) Package
- Available in a Wettable Flank Package
- Available in AEC-Q100 Grade 1

APPLICATIONS

- Sensor Fusion Systems
- Camera Monitoring Systems
- Infotainment Systems
- Automotive Applications

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EVQ8875A-VE-00A EVALUATION BOARD

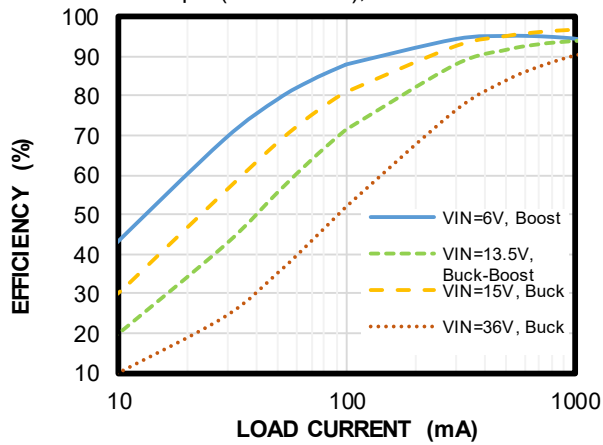


LxWxH (9cmx9cmx1.3cm)

Board Number	MPS IC Number
EVQ8875A-VE-00A	MPQ8875A

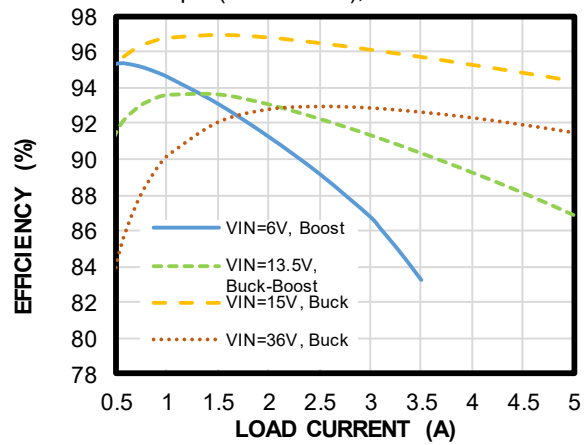
Efficiency vs. Load Current

$V_{OUT} = 11.5V$, $f_{sw} = 450kHz$, FCCM,
 $L = 10\mu H$ (23m Ω DCR), $I_{OUT} = 10mA$ to 1A



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QUICK START GUIDE

1. Preset the load current between 0A and 5A, and preset the power supply between 4.5V and 36V. Note that electronic loads represent a negative impedance to the regulator, which can trigger over-current protection (OCP) if the current is set too high.
2. Turn off the power supply. If longer cables (>0.5m total) are being used between the source and the evaluation board, install a damping capacitor at the input terminals. This is critical when V_{IN} exceeds 24V.
3. Connect the power supply terminals to:
 - a. Positive (+): VIN
 - b. Negative (-): GND
4. For EMI testing, connect the power supply terminals to:
 - a. Positive (+): VEMI
 - b. Negative (-): GND
5. Connect the load terminals to:
 - a. Positive (+): VOUT
 - b. Negative (-): GND
6. For EMI testing, connect the load terminals to:
 - a. Positive (+): VEMI_OUT
 - b. Negative (-): GND
7. After making the connections, turn on the power supply. The MPQ8875A should automatically start up. The default V_{OUT} is 11.5V.
8. To use the enable (EN) function, apply a digital input to the EN pin. Drive EN between 1.55V to 5.5V to turn the regulator on; drive EN below 1.4V to turn it off. ⁽¹⁾

Note:

- 1) For more information and function tests, refer to the MPQ8875A GUI, which can be downloaded from the MPS website.

EVALUATION BOARD SCHEMATIC

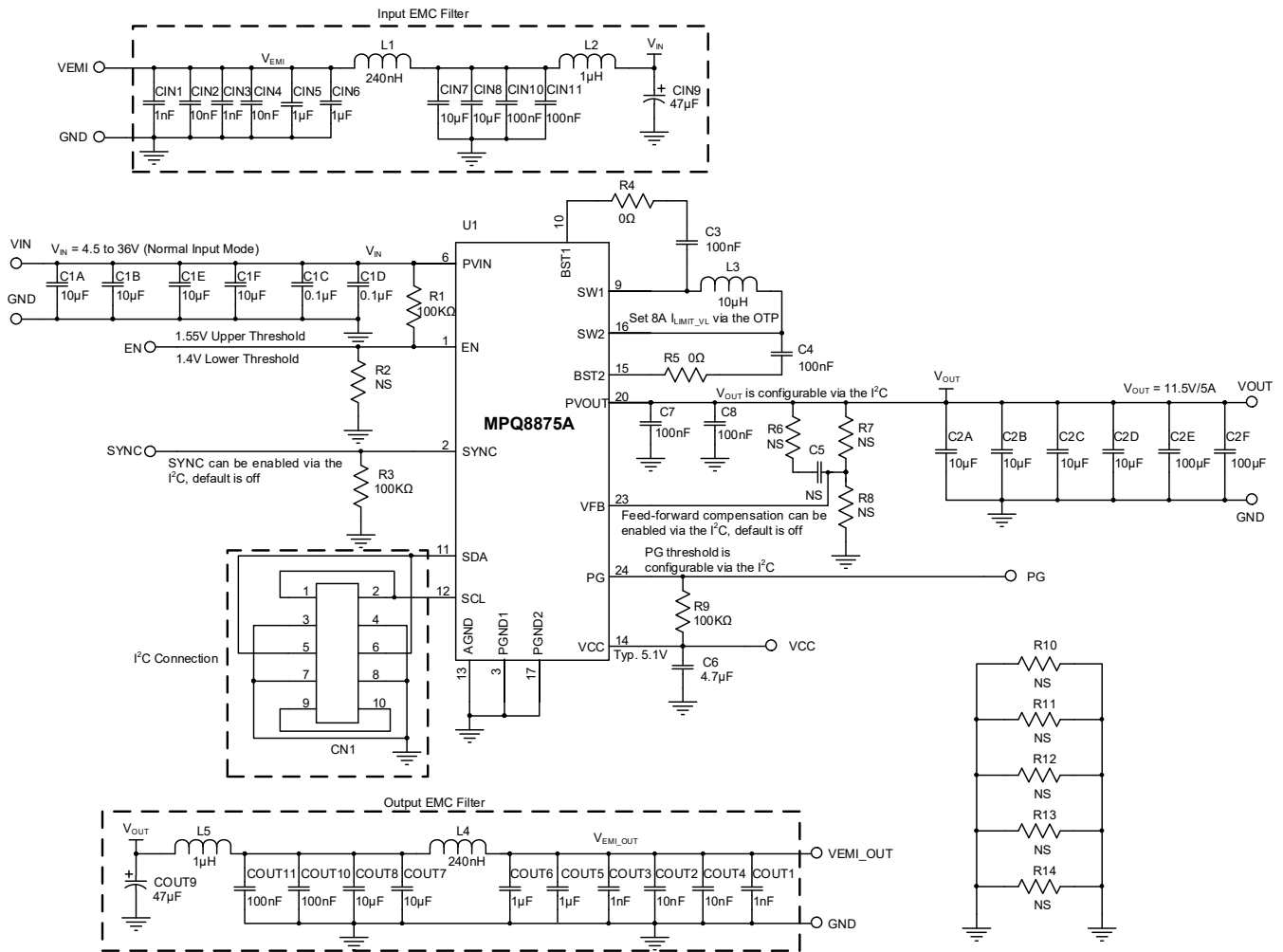


Figure 1: Evaluation Board Schematic

EVQ8875A-VE-00A BILL OF MATERIALS

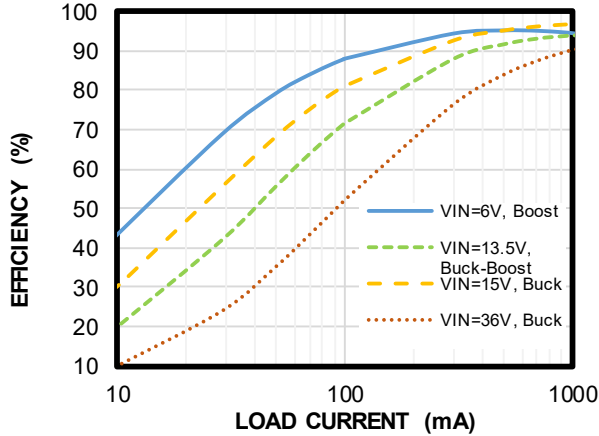
Qty	Ref	Value	Description	Package	Manufacturer	Manufacturer PN
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4	CIN2, CIN4, COUT2, COUT4	10nF	Ceramic capacitor, 50V, X7R	0603	Murata	GRM188R71H103KA01D
4	CIN5, CIN6, COUT5, COUT6	1 μ F	Ceramic capacitor, 50V, X7R	0805	Murata	GRM21BR71H105KA12L
4	CIN7, CIN8, COUT7, COUT8	10 μ F	Ceramic capacitor, 50V, X5R	1206	Murata	GRM31CR61H106KA12L
2	CIN9, COUT9	47 μ F	63V, 40m Ω	SMD	Panasonic	EEHZC1J470P
12	CIN10, CIN11, COUT10, COUT11, C1C, C1D, C3, C4, C7, C8, C2E, C2F	0.1 μ F	Ceramic capacitor, 50V, X7R	0603	Murata	GRM188R71H104KA93D
8	C1A, C1B, C1E, C1F, C2A, C2B, 2C, C2D	10 μ F	Ceramic capacitor, 50V, X7R	1210	Murata	GRM32ER71H106KA12L
0	C5	NS		0603		
1	C6	4.7 μ F	Ceramic capacitor, 10V, X5R	0603	Murata	GRM188R61A475KE15D
2	L1, L4	240nH	Inductor, 19m Ω , 6.6A	SMD	Toko	DFE201612E-R24M=P2
2	L2, L5	1 μ H	Inductor, 14.6m Ω , 9.6A	SMD	Coilcraft	XEL4020-102MEB
1	L3	10 μ H	Inductor, 23.1m Ω , 8.7A	SMD	Coilcraft	XAL8080-103MEB
3	R1, R3, R9	100k Ω	Film resistor, 1%	0603	Yageo	RC0603FR-07100KL
0	R2, R6, R7, R8,	NS				
7	R4, R5, R10, R11, R12, R13, R14	0 Ω	Film resistor, 5%	0603	Yageo	RC0603JR-070RL
1	U1	MPQ8875A	Quad-switch buck- boost converter	QFN-34 (4mmx5mm)	MPS	MPQ8875AGRE-0000- AEC1
6	VEMI, VIN, GND, VEMI_OUT, VOUT, GND	2mm	Golden pins, test point	DIP	Any	
5	SYNC, VCC, EN, PG, GND	1mm	Golden pin, test point	DIP	Any	
1	CN1	2.54mm	Male box header, 2x5	DIP	Any	

EVB TEST RESULTS

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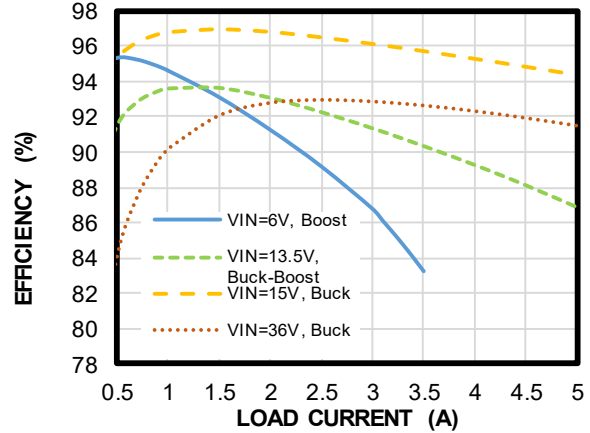
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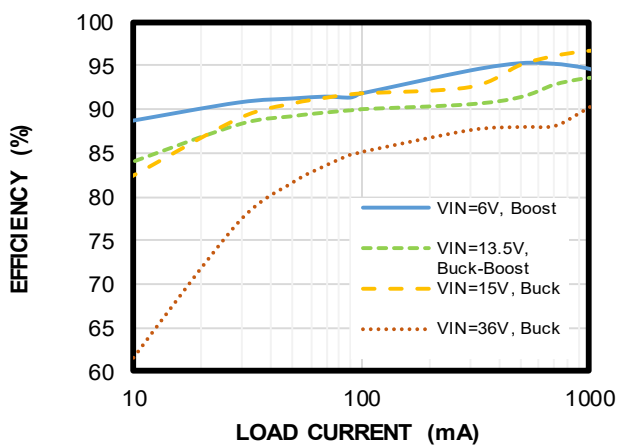
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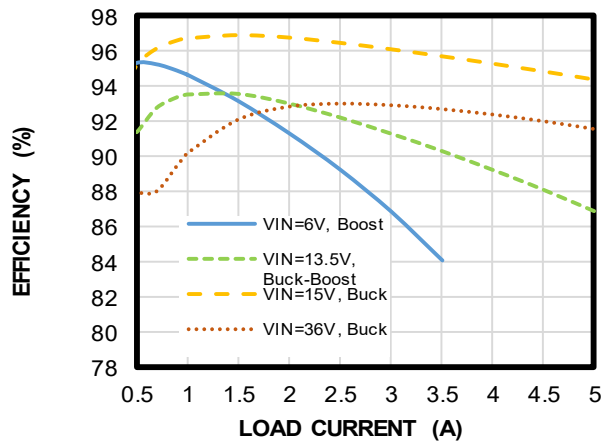
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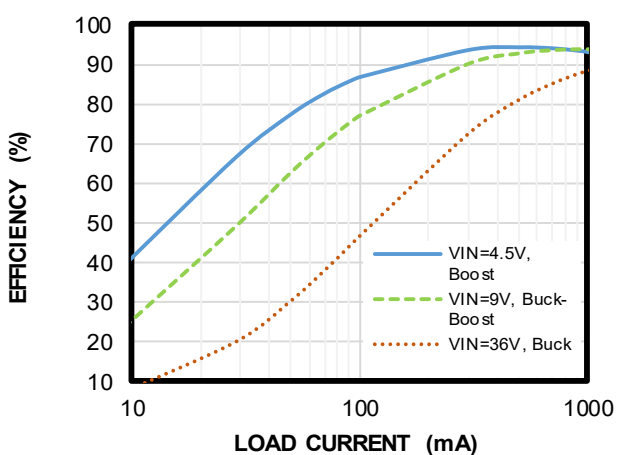
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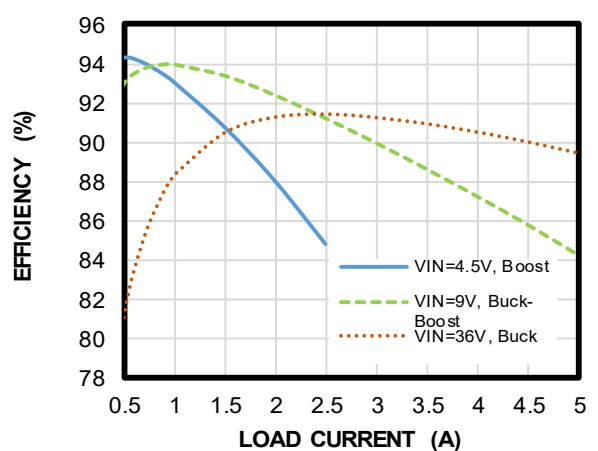
Efficiency vs. Load Current

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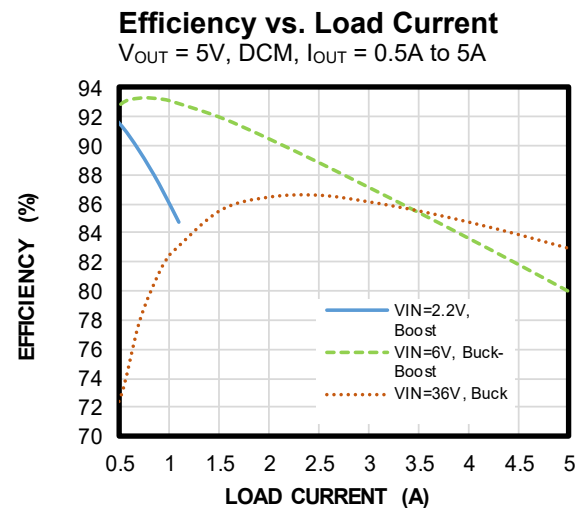
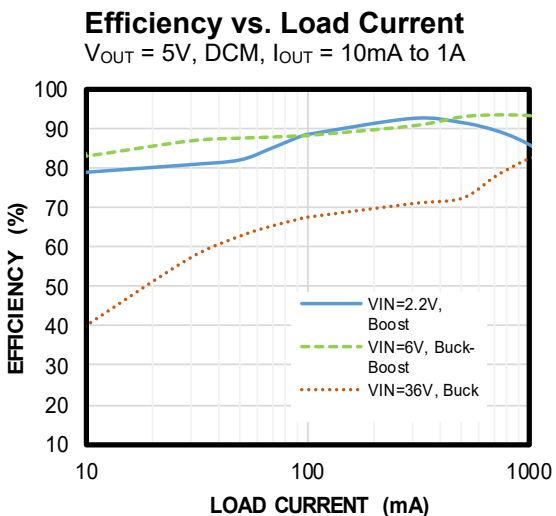
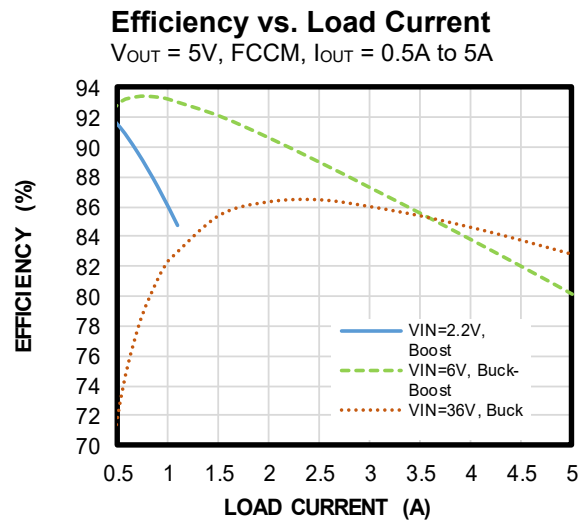
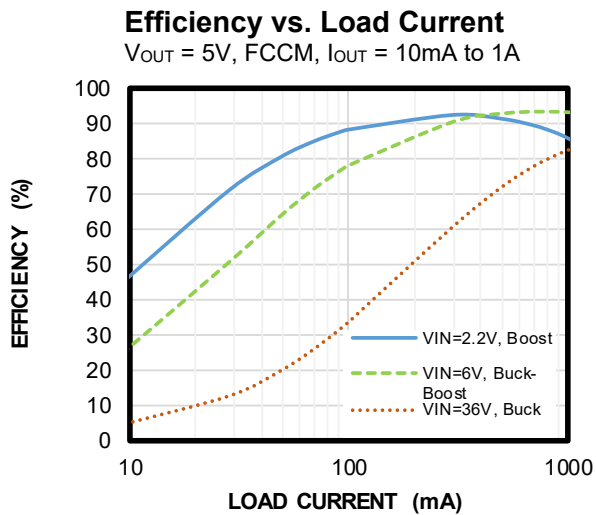
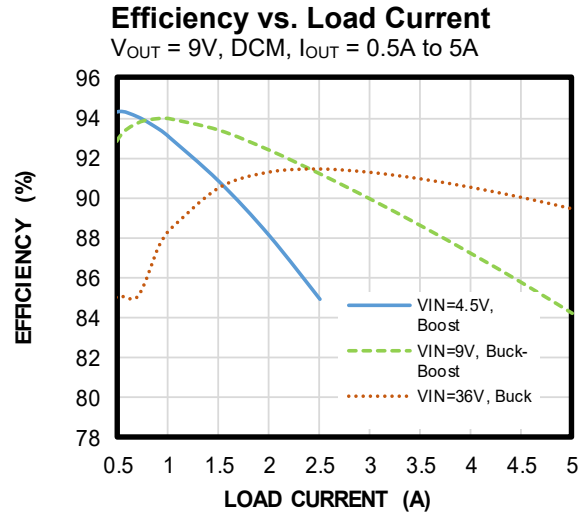
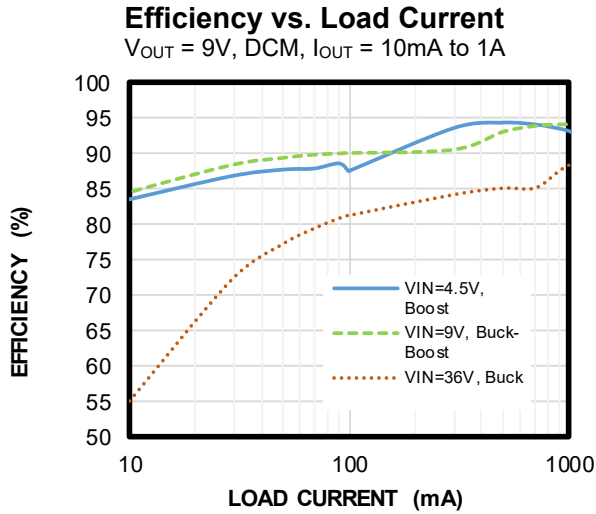
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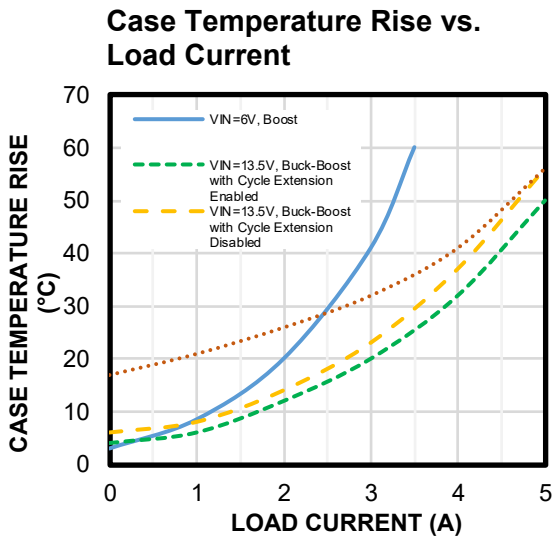
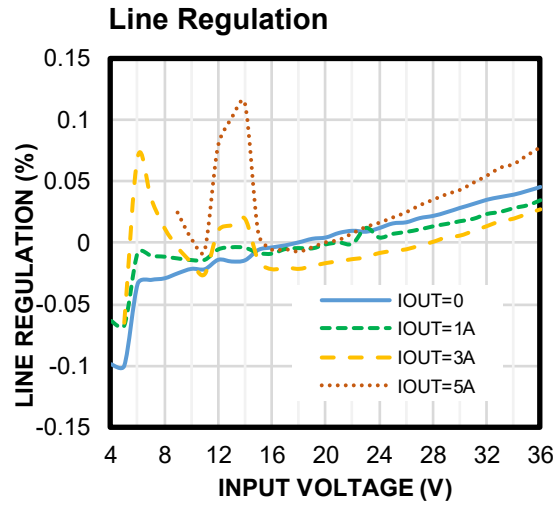
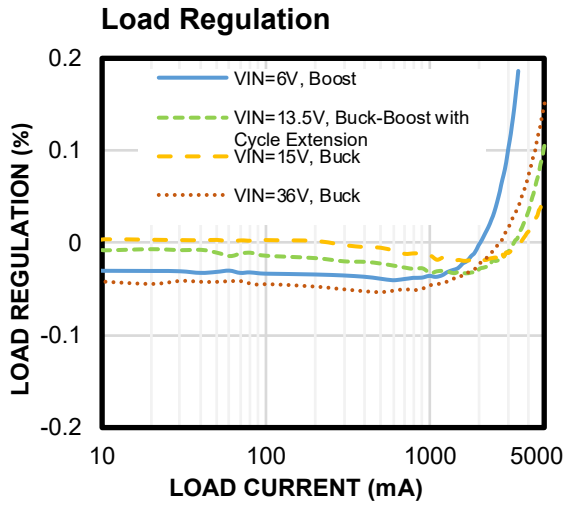
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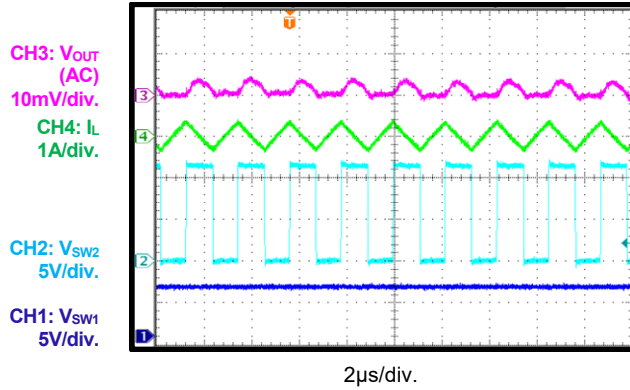


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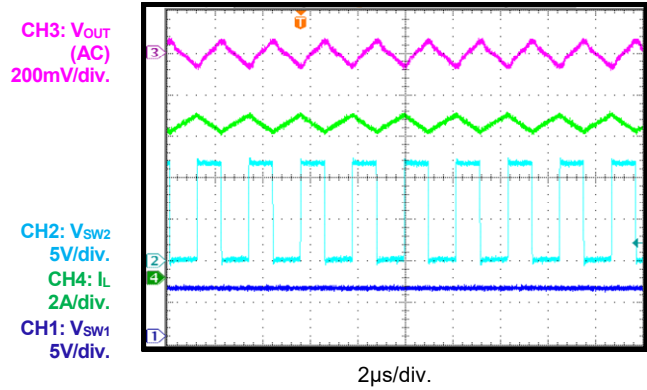
Steady State

$V_{IN} = 6V$, $I_{OUT} = 0A$, boost mode



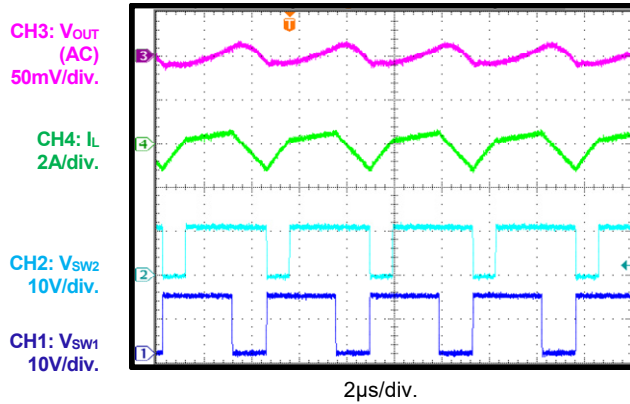
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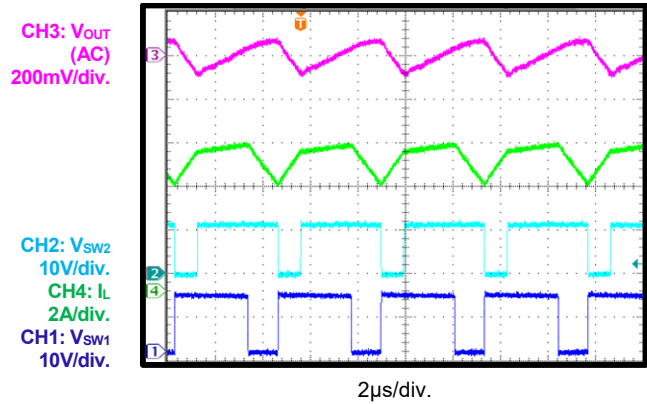
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$V_{IN} = 13.5V$, $I_{OUT} = 0A$, buck-boost mode



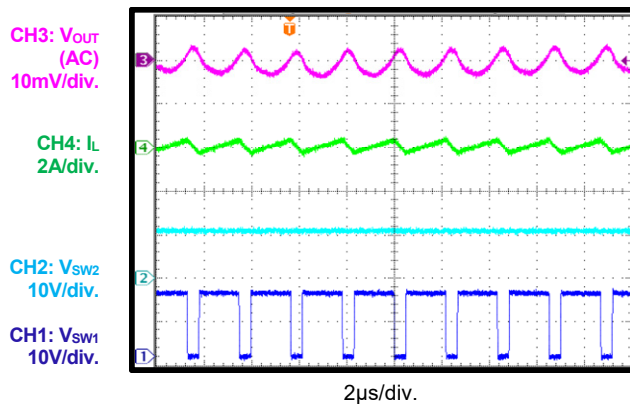
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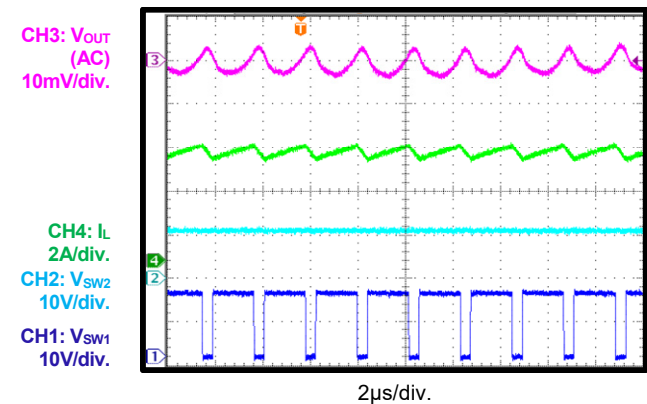
Steady State

$V_{IN} = 15V$, $I_{OUT} = 0A$, buck mode



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$V_{IN} = 15V$, $I_{OUT} = 5A$, buck mode



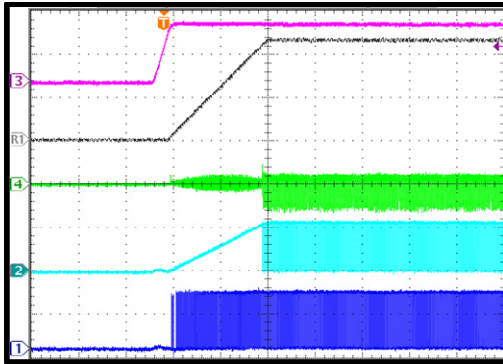
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Start-Up through VIN

$I_{OUT} = 0A$

CH3: V_{IN}
10V/div.
R1: V_{OUT}
5V/div.
CH4: I_L
2A/div.
CH2: V_{SW2}
10V/div.
CH1: V_{SW1}
10V/div.

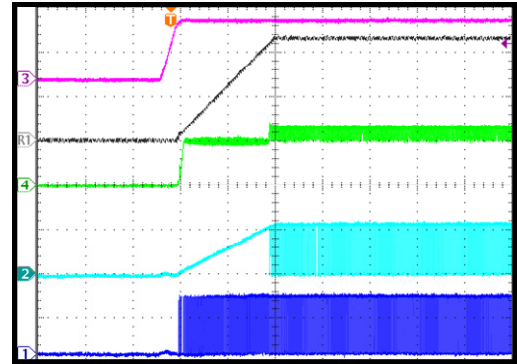


4ms/div.

Start-Up through VIN

$I_{OUT} = 5A$

CH3: V_{IN}
10V/div.
R1: V_{OUT}
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CH4: I_L
5A/div.
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10V/div.
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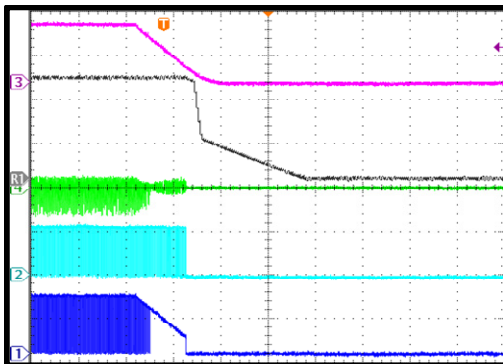


4ms/div.

Shutdown through VIN

$I_{OUT} = 0A$

CH3: V_{IN}
10V/div.
R1: V_{OUT}
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2A/div.
CH2: V_{SW2}
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CH1: V_{SW1}
10V/div.

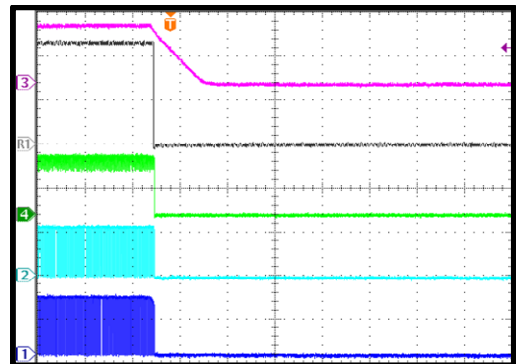


20ms/div.

Shutdown through VIN

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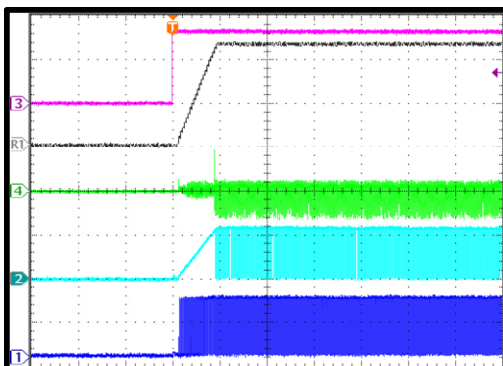


20ms/div.

Start-Up through EN

$I_{OUT} = 0A$

CH3: V_{EN}
2V/div.
R1: V_{OUT}
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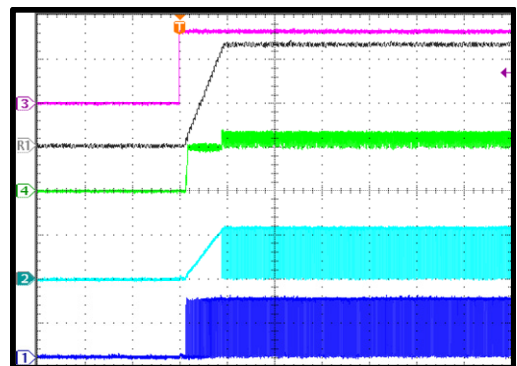


10ms/div.

Start-Up through EN

$I_{OUT} = 5A$

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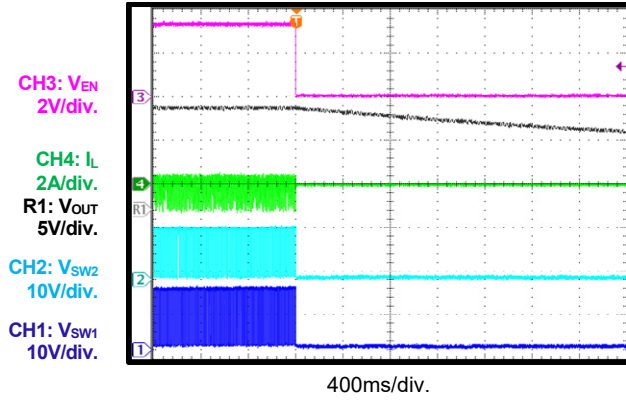


10ms/div.

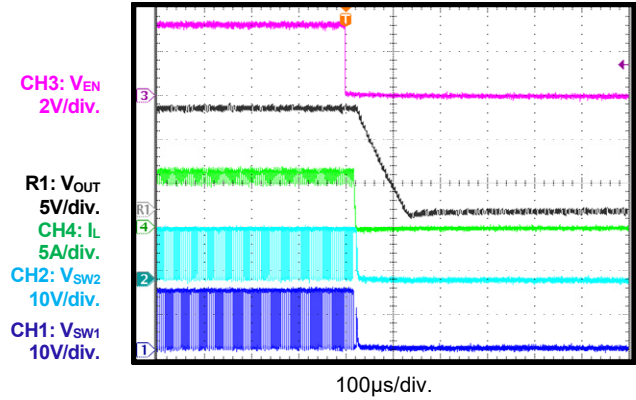
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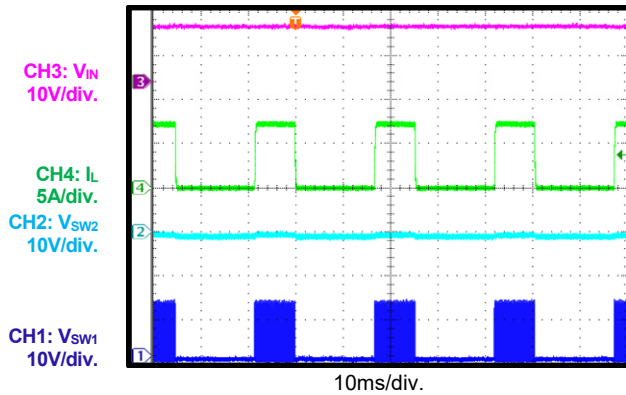
Shutdown through EN
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$



Shutdown through EN
 $I_{OUT} = 5A$

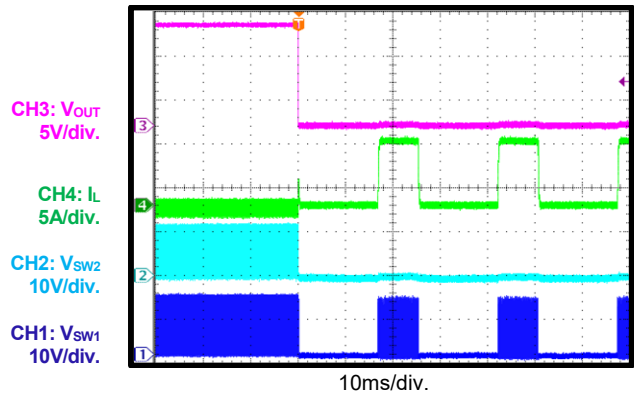


SCP Steady State



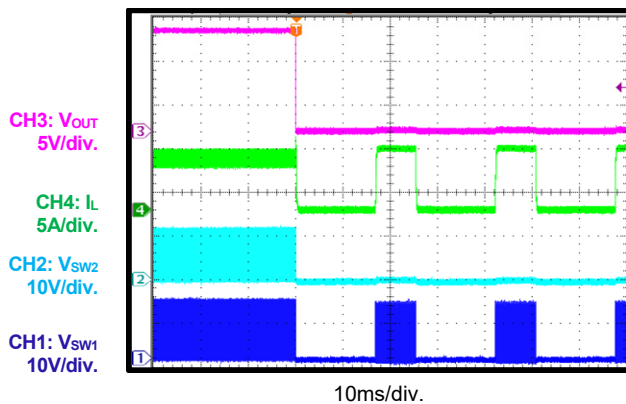
SCP Entry

$I_{OUT} = 0A$ to short circuit



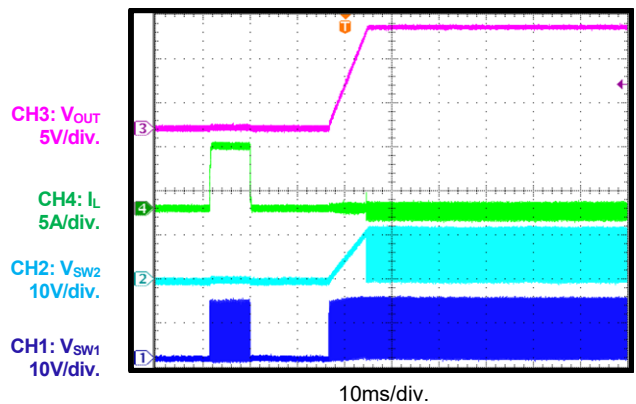
SCP Entry

$I_{OUT} = 5A$ to short circuit



SCP Recovery

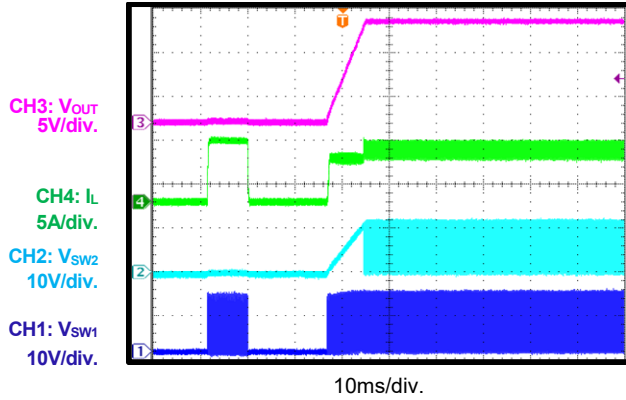
Short circuit to $I_{OUT} = 0A$



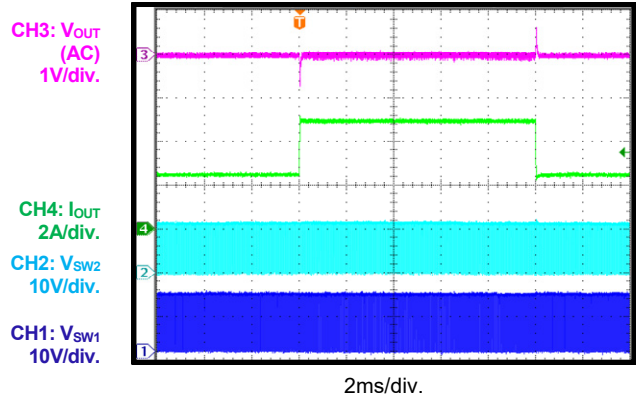
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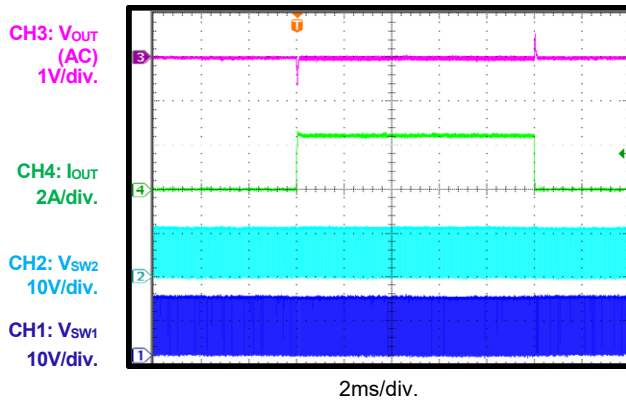
SCP Recovery
Short circuit to $I_{OUT} = 5A$



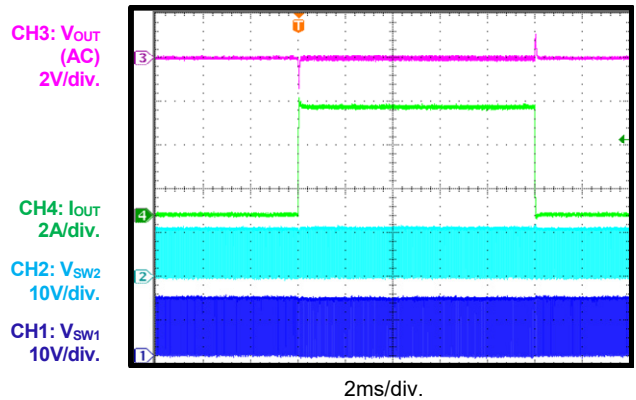
Load Transient
 $I_{OUT} = 2.5A$ to $5A$, $1.6A/\mu s$



Load Transient
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$ to $2.5A$, $1.6A/\mu s$

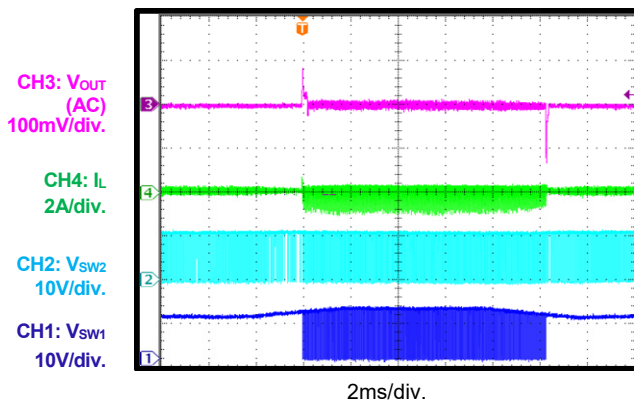


Load Transient
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$ to $5A$, $1.6A/\mu s$



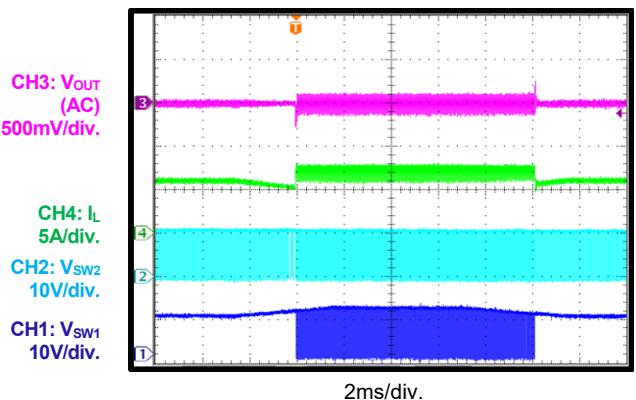
Mode Transient between Boost and Buck-Boost

$V_{IN} = 10V$ to $12V$ to $10V$, $I_{OUT} = 0A$



Mode Transient between Boost and Buck-Boost

$V_{IN} = 10V$ to $12V$ to $10V$, $I_{OUT} = 5A$

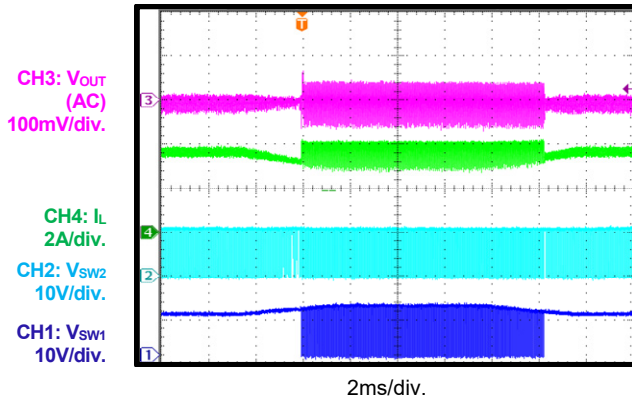


EVB TEST RESULTS (continued)

$V_{IN} = 13.5V$, $V_{OUT} = 11.5V$, $L = 10\mu H$, $C_{OUT} = 40\mu F$, $f_{SW} = 450kHz$, FCCM, $T_A = 25^\circ C$, unless otherwise noted.

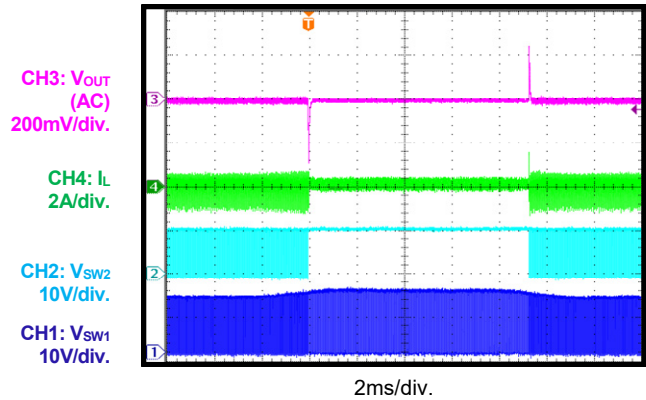
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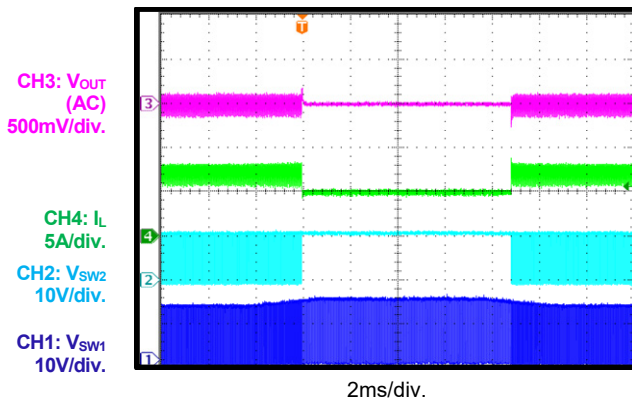
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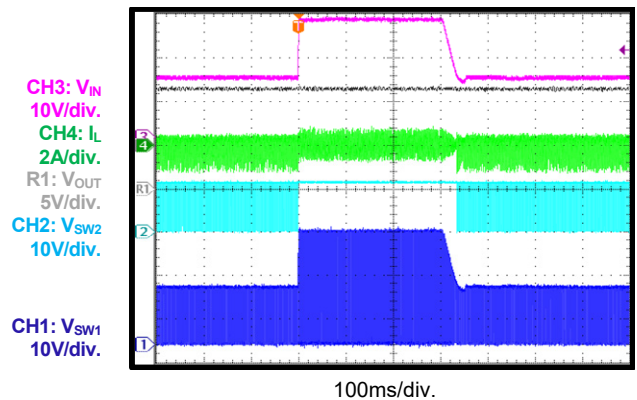
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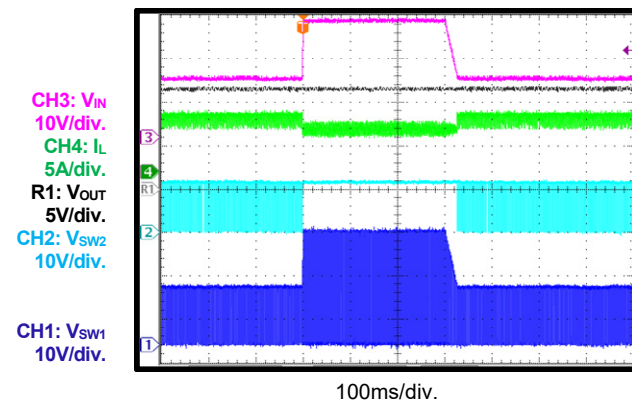
Load Dump

$I_{OUT} = 0A$



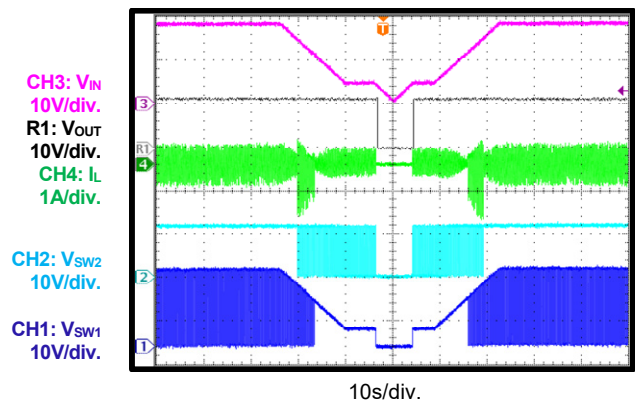
Load Dump

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V_{IN} Ramps Down and Up

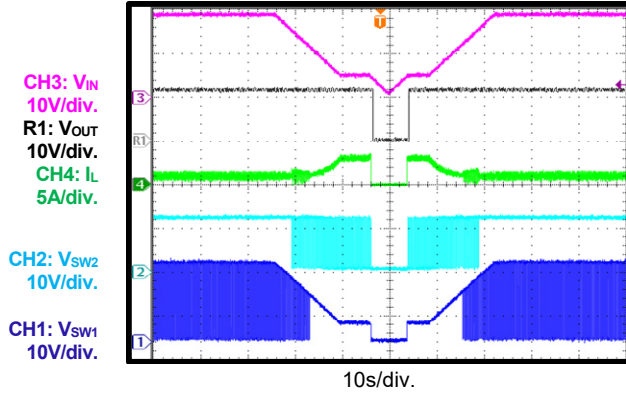
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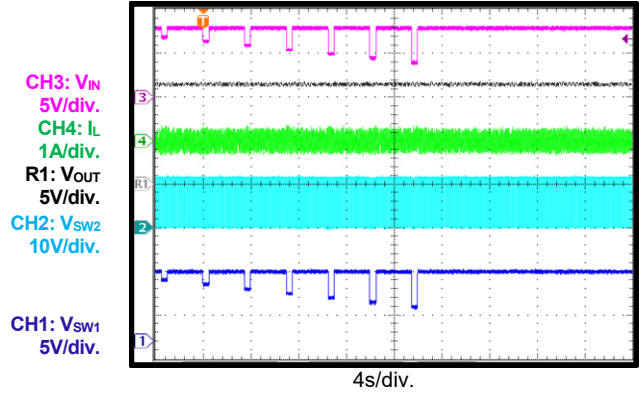
EVB TEST RESULTS (continued)

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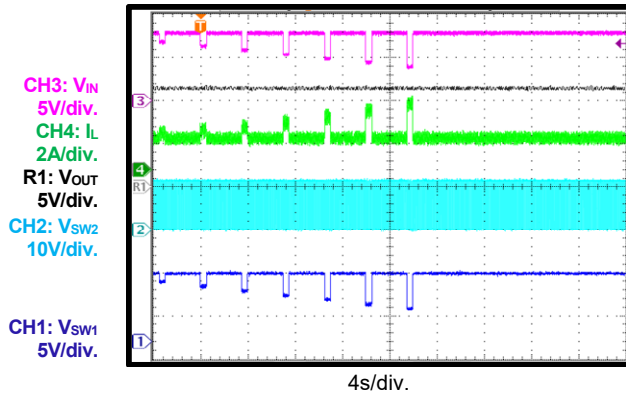
V_{IN} Ramps Down and Up
 $I_{OUT} = 1A$



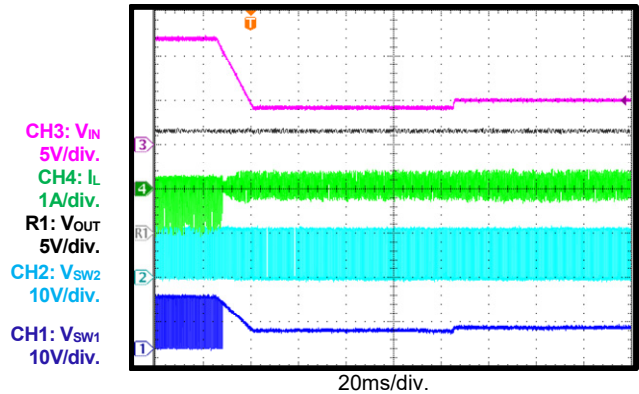
Reset Behavior
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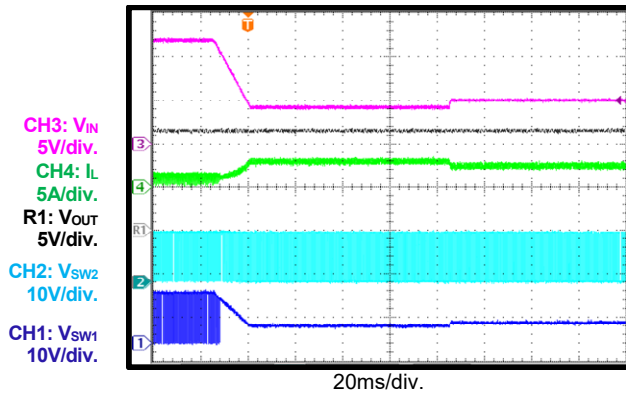
Reset Behavior
 $I_{OUT} = 1A$



Cold Crank
 $I_{OUT} = 0A$



Cold Crank
 $I_{OUT} = 1A$



MPQ8875A-0000 DEFAULT REGISTER VALUES

Register Index	Default Value	Description
00h	74h	Reference voltage (V_{REF}): 1.16V
01h	9Ch	Power converter: On V_{OUT} dynamic adjustment step time: 80 μ s V_{OUT} divider ratio: 1/10
02h	55h	SW1 rising slew rate: 2V/ms SW2 rising slew rate: 2V/ms
03h	09h	Synchronization mode: Off f_{SW} : 450kHz
04h	10h	Frequency spread spectrum: Off Frequency spread spectrum modulation range: 5% x f_{sw} Frequency spread spectrum modulation cycle: 250Hz
05h	FFh	DCM/FCCM: FCCM Reverse current limit: -4.7A Valley current limit: 8A Peak current limit: 9A
06h	03h	R_{FB} compensation network: 50k Ω R_{COMP} compensation network: 420k Ω
07h	F3h	C_{HFP} compensation network: 10pF C_{COMP} compensation network: 100pF
08h	11h	I ² C address: 0x01 Cycle extension in buck-boost mode: Off Boost switch duty in buck-boost mode: 30%
09h	A7h	Hysteresis during buck to buck-boost mode transition: 10% x V_{OUT} Threshold during buck-boost to buck mode transition: 125% x V_{OUT} Hysteresis during boost to buck-boost mode transition: 7.5% x V_{OUT} Threshold during boost to buck-boost mode transition: 90% x V_{OUT}
0Ah	00h	Inductor current-sense gain: 13A/V Inductor current-sense DC bias: 200mV Peak to valley ramp compensation: 0.2V Ramp compensation: 12mV/ μ s
0Bh	00h	Power good (PG) high-limit hysteresis: 2.5% x V_{OUT} PG high limit: 110% x V_{OUT} PG low-limit hysteresis: 2.5% x V_{OUT} PG low limit: 90% x V_{OUT} Over-current (OC) timer: 32 / f_{sw} Over-current protection (OCP) mode: Hiccup mode
0Ch	60h	Fault recovery delay time: 16ms Under-voltage protection (UVP) feedback (FB) threshold: 50% x V_{REF} Under-voltage (UV) timer: 2 / f_{sw} UVP mode: Hiccup mode

MPQ8875A-0000 DEFAULT REGISTER VALUES (continued)

Register Index	Default Value	Description
0Dh	00h	V_{IN} over-voltage protection (OVP) hysteresis: $2.5\% \times V_{IN}$ V_{IN} OVP threshold: Off V_{OUT} OVP recovery threshold: $105\% \times V_{REF}$ V_{OUT} OVP threshold: $110\% \times V_{REF}$ VFB pin connection mode: Disconnected OVP mode: Hiccup mode
0Eh	02h	Thermal shutdown hysteresis: 25°C Thermal shutdown: 170°C

PCB LAYOUT

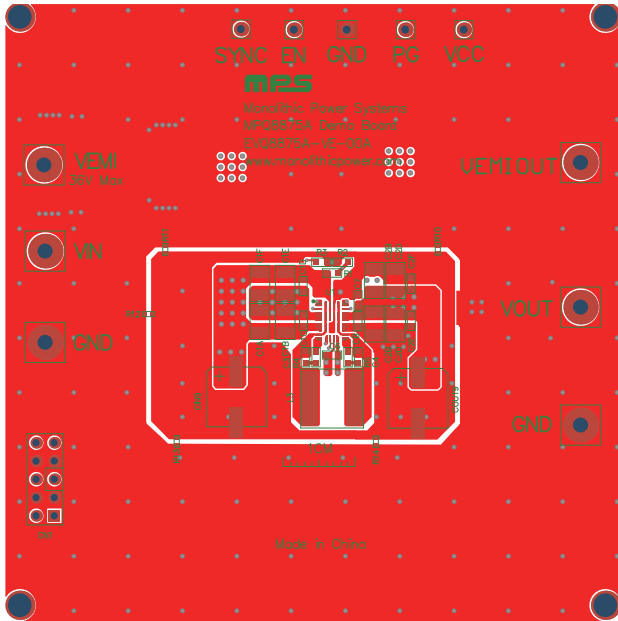


Figure 2: Top Silk and Top Layer

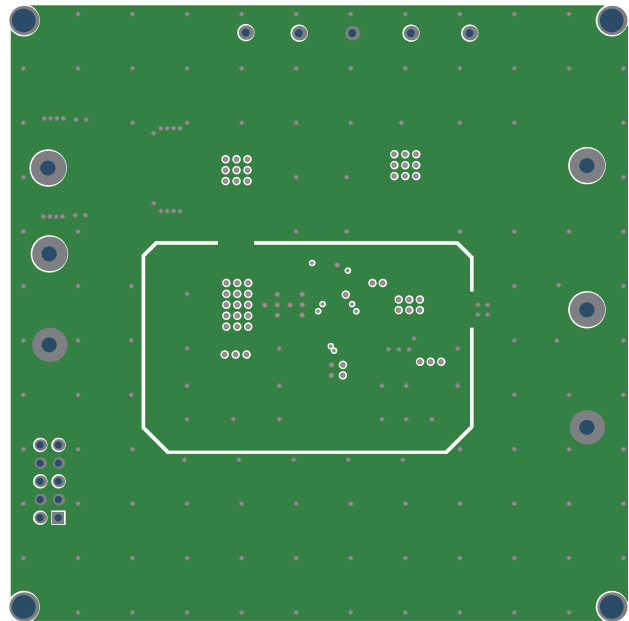


Figure 3: Mid-Layer 1

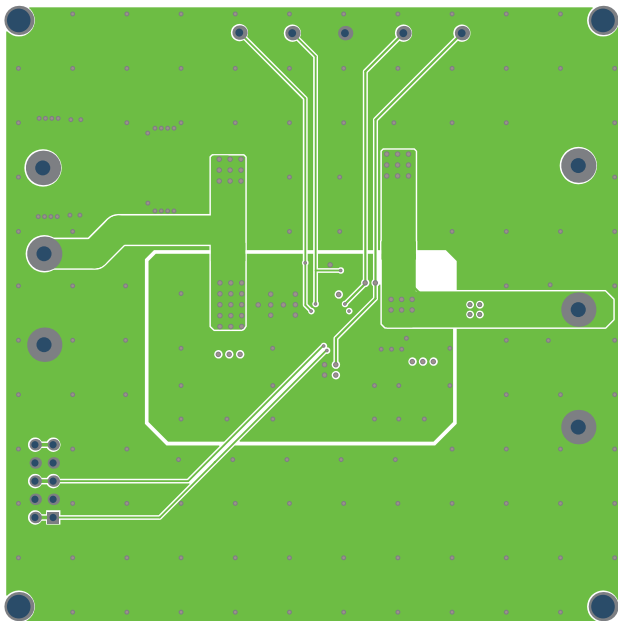


Figure 4: Mid-Layer 2

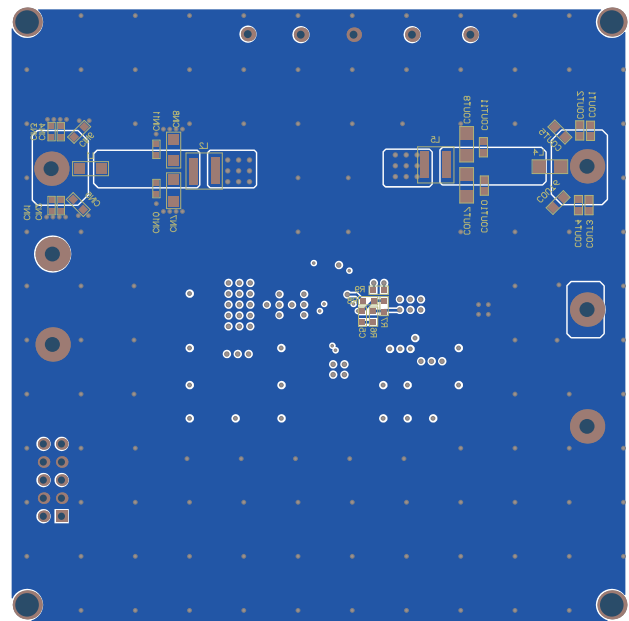


Figure 5: Bottom Layer and Bottom Silk



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