

# USB Type-C DFP with Charging Port Controller and Integrated 36V 3.5A Synchronous Buck Converter

## General Description

The RTQ2118C combines a USB Type-C Downstream Facing Port (DFP) controller, charging port controller and a 3.5A synchronous buck converter.

The RTQ2118C monitors the Type-C Configuration Channel (CC) lines to detect an Upstream Facing Port (UFP) device attach event, then turns on external VBUS MOSFET to apply power to VBUS and communicates the selectable VBUS current sourcing capability.

The RTQ2118C provides the electrical signatures on D+/D- to support charging schemes compatible with the USB 2.0 Battery Charging Specification BC1.2 and Chinese Telecommunication Industry Standard YD/T 1591-2009. Auto-detect mode is also integrated which supports USB 2.0 Battery Charging Specification BC1.2 Dedicated Charging Port (DCP), Divider 3 mode and 1.2V shorted mode to comply with the legacy fast charging mode of mobile devices.

The RTQ2118C integrates a high efficiency, monolithic synchronous buck converter that can deliver up to 3.5A output current from a 3V to 36V wide range input supply and is protected from load-dump transients up to 42V.

The RTQ2118C has constant current control to achieve adjustable USB current limit and implement the current sense signal for adjustable USB power output voltage with load line compensation. The converter includes optional spread-spectrum frequency modulation to overcome EMI issue and complete protection for safe and smooth operation in all applied conditions. Protection features include cycle-by-cycle current limit for protection against shorted outputs, soft-start control to eliminate input current surge during start-up, input under-voltage lockout, output under-voltage protection, output over-voltage protection and over-temperature protection.

The RTQ2118C is fully specified over the temperature range of  $T_J = -40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $125^{\circ}\text{C}$  and available in WET-WQFN-40L 6x6.

The RTQ2118C can be used to support Type-C connectors including the Type C-to-C dongle and the

Type C-to-B dongle. Type-A connector support is provided by the RTQ2118C.

## Features

- **USB Type-C DFP Controller**
  - ▶ **Compliant to USB-IF standards**
    - ◆ **USB Type-C Specification Release 2.0**
    - ◆ **CC Logic, VCONN Source**
    - ◆ **VCONN 1W**
  - ▶ **Connector Attach/Detach Detection**
  - ▶ **STD/1.5A/3A Capability Advertisement on CC**
  - ▶ **Gate Driver for External Blocking FET Control**
- **USB Charging Port Controller**
  - ▶ **Automatic DCP modes**
    - ◆ **DCP Shorted Mode and YD/T 1591-2009**
    - ◆ **2.7V Divider 3 Mode**
    - ◆ **1.2V Mode**
- **36V 3.5A Synchronous Buck Converter**
  - ▶ **3V to 36V Input Voltage Range**
  - ▶ **3.5A Continuous Output Current**
  - ▶ **CC/CV Mode Control**
  - ▶ **Adjustable and Synchronizable Switching Frequency : 300kHz to 2.2MHz**
  - ▶ **Selectable PSM/PWM at Light Load**
  - ▶ **Adjustable Soft-Start**
  - ▶ **Adjustable USB Power Output Voltage between 5V and 5.5V with Load Line Compensation**
  - ▶ **Optional Spread-Spectrum Frequency Modulation for EMI Reduction**
- **Auto Discharge VBUS when CC Pins Detach**
- **Protection Function**
  - ▶ **VCONN with Current Limit**
  - ▶ **CC Pin OVP Protection**
  - ▶ **DS+/DS- OVP**
  - ▶ **Over-Temperature Protection**
  - ▶ **Cycle-by-Cycle Over-Current Limit Protection**
  - ▶ **Input Under-Voltage Protection**
  - ▶ **VBUS Over-Voltage Protection**
  - ▶ **Adjacent Pin-Short Protection**
- **Power Good Indicator**
- **Enable Control**

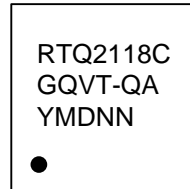
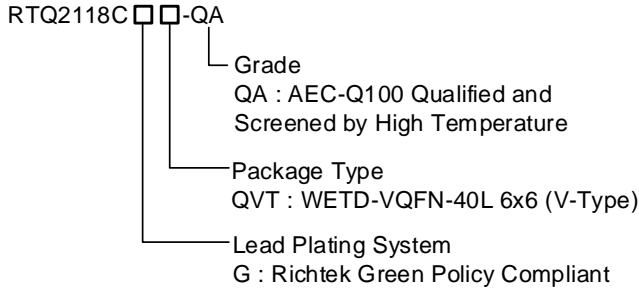
- HBM 8kV on DS+/DS- Pins
- Wettable Flank Package
- AEC-Q100 Grade 1 Qualified
- Ambient Temperature Range : -40°C to 125°C
- Junction Temperature Range : -40°C to 125°C

## Applications

- Automotive Car Chargers
- USB Power Chargers

## Marking Information

## Ordering Information



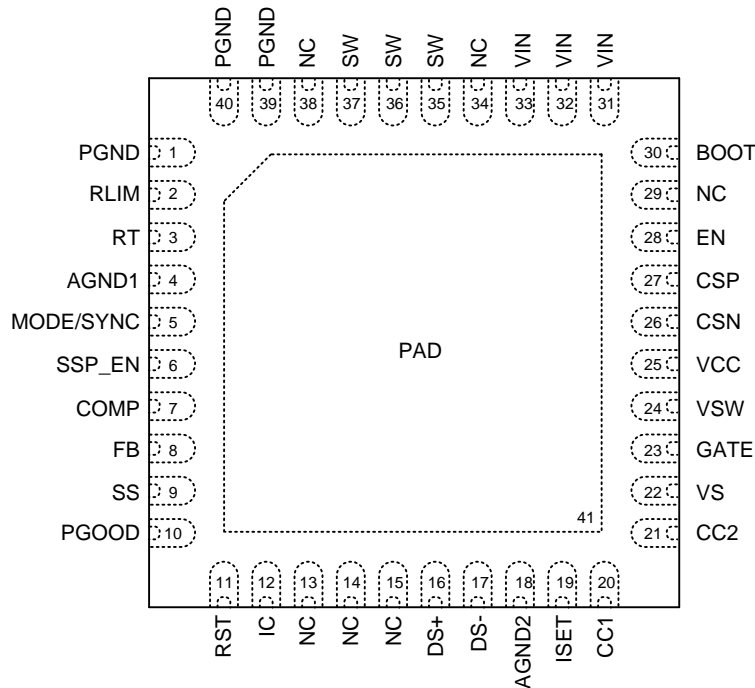
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## Pin Configuration

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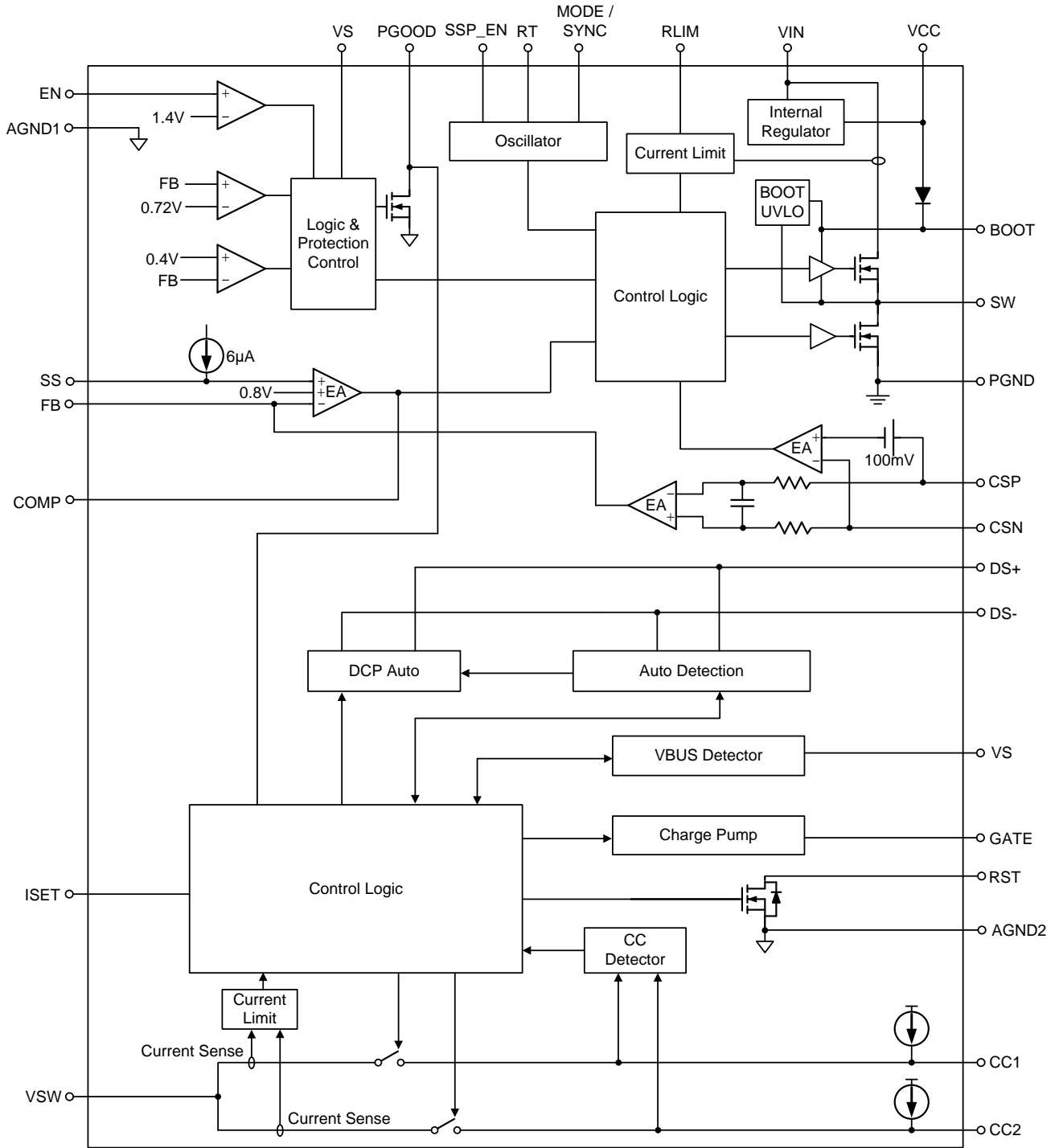
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**Functional Pin Description**

Pin No.	Pin Name	Pin Function
1, 39, 40	PGND	Power ground.
2	RLIM	Current limit setup pin. Connect a resistor from this pin to ground to set the current limit value. The recommended resistor value is ranging from 33kΩ (for typ. 5.5A) to 91kΩ (for typ. 2.3A).
3	RT	Oscillator frequency setup pin. Connect a resistor from this pin to ground to set the switching frequency. The recommended resistor value is ranging from 174kΩ (for typ. 300kHz) to 21kΩ (for typ. 2.2MHz).
4	AGND1	Analog ground1.
5	MODE/SYNC	Mode selection and external synchronous signal input. Ground this pin or leave this pin floating enables the power saving mode operation at light load. Apply a DC voltage of 2V or higher or tie to VCC for FPWM mode operation. Tie to a clock source for synchronization to an external frequency.
6	SSP_EN	Spread spectrum enable input. Connect this pin to VCC to enable spread spectrum. Float this pin or connect it to Ground to disable spread spectrum.
7	COMP	Compensation node. Connect external compensation elements to this pin to stabilize the control loop.
8	FB	Feedback voltage input. Connect this pin to the midpoint of the external feedback resistive divider to set the output voltage of the converter to the desired regulation level. The device regulates the FB voltage at a feedback reference voltage, typically 0.8V.
9	SS	Soft-start capacitor connection node. Connect an external capacitor between this pin and analog ground to set the soft-start time.
10	PGOOD	Open-drain power-good indication output. The power-good function is activated after soft-start is finished. Connect a resistor from PG to VCC. PGOOD is pulled high when both $V_{OUT} > 90\%$ and $V_{SS} > 2.1V$ . PG is pulled low when $V_{OUT} < 85\%$ , $V_{OUT} > 120\%$ and OTP.
11	RST	Open drain logic output for battery charging mode change output discharge.
12	IC	Internal connection.
13, 14, 15, 29, 34, 38	NC	No internal connection.
16	DS+	D+ data line to upstream connector.
17	DS-	D- data line to upstream connector.
18	AGND2	Analog ground2.
19	ISET	Type-C current capability advertisement control : low→1.5A, floating→default USB power, high→3A.
20	CC1	Type-C Configuration Channel (CC) pins. Initially used to determine when an attachment has occurred and what the orientation detected.
21	CC2	Type-C Configuration Channel (CC) pins. Initially used to determine when an attachment has occurred and what the orientation detected.
22	VS	VBUS sensing, connected to VBUS through 200Ω external resistor.
23	GATE	High voltage open-drain gate driver to control external N-Channel blocking MOSFET.
24	VSW	VCONN input supply. Internal power switch connects VSW to CC1 or CC2.

Pin No.	Pin Name	Pin Function
25	VCC	Linear regulator output. VCC is the output of the internal 5V linear regulator powered by VIN. Decouple with a 1 $\mu$ F, X7R ceramic capacitor from VCC to ground for normal operation.
26	CSN	Current sense negative input.
27	CSP	Current sense positive input.
28	EN	Enable control input. A logic-high enables the converter; a logic-low forces the device into shutdown mode.
30	BOOT	Bootstrap capacitor connection node to supply the high-side gate driver. Connect a 0.1 $\mu$ F, X7R ceramic capacitor between this pin and SW pin.
31, 32, 33	VIN	Power input. The input voltage range is from 3V to 36V after soft-start is finished. Connect input capacitors between this pin and PGND. It is recommended to use a 4.7 $\mu$ F, X7R and a 0.1 $\mu$ F, X7R capacitors.
35, 36, 37	SW	Switch node. SW is the switching node that supplies power to the output and connect the output LC filter from SW to the output load.
41 (Exposed pad)	PAD	Exposed pad. The exposed pad is internally unconnected and must be soldered to a large PGND plane. Connect this PGND plane to other layers with thermal vias to help dissipate heat from the device.

**Functional Block Diagram**



## Operation

The RTQ2118C combines a USB Type-C Downstream Facing Port (DFP) controller, charging port controller and a 3.5A synchronous buck converter. The RTQ2118C integrates 70mΩ high-side and 70mΩ low-side MOSFETs to achieve high efficiency conversion. The current mode control architecture supports fast transient response with simple compensation.

The RTQ2118C supports the common USB charging schemes : USB Battery Charging Specification BC1.2, Chinese Telecommunications Industry Standard YD/T 1591-2009, Divider 3 Mode and 1.2V Short Mode. The device monitors the Type-C Configuration Channel (CC) lines to determine when an USB device is attached. If Type-C connector is used and UFP is attached, the RTQ2118C turns on external VBUS MOSFET to apply power on VBUS.

### Main Control Loop (CV Regulation)

The RTQ2118C includes a high efficiency step down converter utilizes the peak current mode control. An internal oscillator initiates turn-on of the high-side MOSFET switch. At the beginning of each clock cycle, the internal high-side MOSFET switch turns on, allowing current to ramp up in the inductor. The inductor current is internally monitored during each switching cycle. The output voltage is sensed on the FB pin via the resistor divider, R1 and R2, and compared with the internal reference voltage for constant voltage control ( $V_{REF\_CV}$ ) to generate a CV compensation signal ( $V_{COMP}$ ) on the COMP pin. A control signal derived from the inductor current is compared to the voltage at the COMP pin, derived from the feedback voltage. When the inductor current reaches its threshold, the high-side MOSFET switch is turned off and inductor current ramps-down. While the high-side switch is off, inductor current is supplied through the low-side MOSFET switch. This cycle repeats at the next clock cycle. In this way, duty-cycle and output voltage are controlled by regulating inductor current.

### Constant Current (CC) Regulation

The RTQ2118C offers average current control loop

also. The control loop behavior is basically the same as the peak current mode in constant voltage regulation. The difference is the COMP will be also governed by the output of the internal current error amplifier when FB voltage is below the regulation target. The output current control is obtained by sensing the voltage drop across an external sense resistor ( $R_{SENSE}$ ) between CSP and CSN, as shown in Figure 1. The internal reference voltage for the current error amplifier is  $V_{REF\_CC}$  (100mV, typically). If the output current increase and the current sense voltage ( $V_{CS}$ , i.e.  $V_{CSP} - V_{CSN}$ ) is equal to  $V_{REF\_CC}$ , the current error amplifier output will clamp the COMP lower to achieve average current control and vice versa. Once the output current decrease and current sense voltage is less than 100mV, the CV loop dominates the COMP again and the output voltage goes back to the regulation voltage determined by resistor divider from the output to the FB pin and ground accordingly.

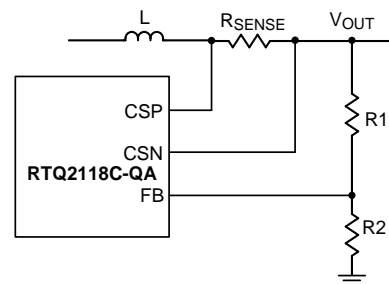


Figure 1. Average Current Setting

### MODE Selection and Synchronization

The RTQ2118C provides an MODE/SYNC pin for Forced-PWM Mode (FPWM) and Power Saving Mode (PSM) operation selection at light load. If  $V_{MODE/SYNC}$  rises above a logic-high threshold voltage ( $V_{IH\_SYNC}$ ) of the MODE/SYNC input, the device is locked in FPWM. If  $V_{MODE/SYNC}$  is held below a logic-low threshold voltage ( $V_{IL\_SYNC}$ ) of the MODE/SYNC input, the device operates in PSM at light load to improve efficiency. The RTQ2118C can also be synchronized with an external clock ranging from 300kHz to 2.2MHz by MODE/SYNC pin.

## Forced-PWM Mode

Forced-PWM operation provides constant frequency operation at all loads and is useful in applications sensitive to switching frequency. This mode trades off reduced light load efficiency for low output voltage ripple, tight output voltage regulation, and constant switching frequency. In this mode, a negative current limit of  $ISK\_L$  is imposed to prevent damage to the low-side MOSFET switch of the regulator. The converter synchronizes to any valid clock signal on the SYNC input when in FPWM.

When constant frequency operation is more important than light load efficiency, pull the MODE/SYNC input high or provide a valid synchronization input. Once activated, this feature ensures that the switching frequency stays away from the AM frequency band, while operating between the minimum and maximum duty cycle limits.

## Power Saving Mode

With the MODE/SYNC pin floating or pull low, that is, with a logic low on the MODE/SYNC input, the RTQ2118C operates in power saving mode (PSM) at light load to improve light load efficiency. In PSM, IC starts to switch when  $V_{FB}$  is lower than PSM threshold ( $V_{REF\_CV} \times 1.005$ , typically) and stops switching when  $V_{FB}$  is high enough. IC detects the peak inductor current ( $I_{L\_PEAK}$ ) and keeps high-side MOSFET switch on until the  $I_L$  reaches its minimum peak current level (1A at  $V_{IN} = 12V$ , typically) to ensure that IC can provide sufficiency output current with each switching pulse. Zero-current detection is also activated to prevent that  $I_L$  becomes negative and to ensure no external discharging current from the output capacitor. During non-switching period, most of the internal circuit is shut down, and the supply current drops to quiescent current to reduce the quiescent power consumption. With lower output loading, the non-switching period is longer, so the effective switching frequency becomes lower to reduce the switching loss and switch driving loss.

## Maximum Duty Cycle Operation

The RTQ2118C is designed to operate in dropout at the high duty cycle approaching 100%. If the

operational duty cycle is large and the required off time becomes smaller than minimum off time, the RTQ2118C starts to enable skip off time function and keeps high-side MOSFET switch on continuously. The RTQ2118C implements skip off time function to achieve high duty approaching 100%. Therefore, the maximum output voltage is near the minimum input supply voltage of the application. The input voltage at which the devices enter dropout changes depending on the input voltage, output voltage, switching frequency, load current, and the efficiency of the design.

## BOOT UVLO

The BOOT UVLO circuit is implemented to ensure a sufficient voltage of BOOT capacitor for turning on the high-side MOSFET switch at any condition. The BOOT UVLO usually activates at extremely high conversion ratio or the higher VOUT application operates at very light load. With such conditions, the low-side MOSFET switch may not have sufficient turn-on time to charge the BOOT capacitor. The device monitors BOOT pin capacitor voltage and force to turn on the low-side MOSFET switch when the BOOT to SW voltage falls below  $V_{BOOT\_UVLO\_L}$  (typically, 2.3V). Meanwhile, the minimum off time is extended to 150ns (typically) hence prolong the BOOT capacitor charging time. The BOOT UVLO is sustained until the  $V_{BOOT-SW}$  is higher than  $V_{BOOT\_UVLO\_H}$  (typically, 2.4V).

## Internal Regulator

The device integrates a 5V linear regulator ( $V_{CC}$ ) that is supplied by  $V_{IN}$  and provides power to the internal circuitry. The internal regulator operates in low dropout mode when  $V_{IN}$  is below 5V. The  $V_{CC}$  can be used as the PGOOD pull-up supply but it is "NOT" allowed to power other device or circuitry. The  $V_{CC}$  pin must be bypassed to ground with a minimum value of effective  $V_{CC}$  capacitance is 0.7 $\mu$ F. In many applications, a 1 $\mu$ F, X7R is recommended and it needs to be placed as close as possible to the  $V_{CC}$  pin. Be careful to account for the voltage coefficient of ceramic capacitors when choosing the value and case size. Many ceramic capacitors lose 50% or more of their rated value when used near their rated voltage.

## Enable Control

The RTQ2118C provides an EN pin, as an external chip enable control, to enable or disable the device. If  $V_{EN}$  is held below a logic-low threshold voltage ( $V_{ENL}$ ) of the enable input (EN), switching is inhibited even if the  $V_{IN}$  voltage is above  $V_{IN}$  under-voltage lockout threshold ( $V_{UVLOH}$ ). If  $V_{EN}$  is held below 0.4V, the converter will enter into shutdown mode, that is, the converter is disabled. During shutdown mode, the supply current can be reduced to  $I_{SHDN}$  (5 $\mu$ A or below). If the EN voltage rises above the logic-high threshold voltage ( $V_{ENH}$ ) while the  $V_{IN}$  voltage is higher than  $V_{UVLO}$ , the device will be turned on, that is, switching being enabled and soft-start sequence being initiated. The current source of EN typically sinks 1.2 $\mu$ A.

## Soft-Start

The soft-start function is used to prevent large inrush currents while the converter is being powered up. The RTQ2118C provides an SS pin so that the soft-start time can be programmed by selecting the value of the external soft-start capacitor  $C_{SS}$  connected from the SS pin to ground. During the start-up sequence, the soft-start capacitor is charged by an internal current source  $I_{SS}$  (typically, 6 $\mu$ A) to generate a soft-start ramp voltage as a reference voltage to the PWM comparator. If the output is for some reasons pre-biased to a certain voltage during start-up, the device will not start switching until the voltage difference between SS pin and FB pin is larger than 400mV (typically). And only when this ramp voltage is higher than the feedback voltage  $V_{FB}$ , the switching will be resumed. The output voltage can then ramp up smoothly to its targeted regulation voltage, and the converter can have a monotonic smooth start-up. For soft-start control, the SS pin should never be left unconnected. After the SS pin voltage rises above 2V (typically), the PGOOD pin will be in high impedance and  $V_{PGOOD}$  will be held high. The typical start-up waveform shown in Figure 2 indicate the sequence and timing between the output voltage and related voltage.

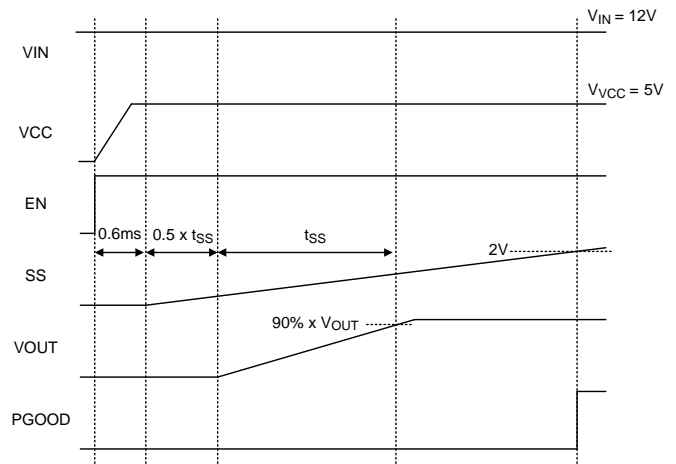


Figure 2. Start-Up Sequence

## Power Good Indication

The RTQ2118C features an open-drain power-good output (PGOOD) to monitor the output voltage status. The output delay of comparator prevents false flag operation for short excursions in the output voltage, such as during line and load transients. Pull-up PGOOD with a resistor to  $V_{CC}$  or an external voltage below 5.5V. The power-good function is activated after soft start is finished and is controlled by a comparator connected to the feedback signal  $V_{FB}$ . If  $V_{FB}$  rises above a power-good high threshold ( $V_{TH\_PGLH1}$ ) (typically 90% of the reference voltage), the PGOOD pin will be in high impedance and  $V_{PGOOD}$  will be held high after a certain delay elapsed. When  $V_{FB}$  exceeds  $V_{TH\_PGHL1}$  (typically 120% of the reference voltage), the PGOOD pin will be pulled low, moreover, IC turns off high-side MOSFET switch and turns on low-side MOSFET switch until the inductor current reaches  $I_{SK\_L}$  if MODE pin is set high. If the  $V_{FB}$  is still higher than  $V_{TH\_PGHL1}$ , the high-side MOSFET switch remains prohibited and the low-side MOSFET switch will turn-on again at next cycle. If MODE pin is set low, IC turns off low-side MOSFET switch once the inductor current reaches zero current unless  $V_{BOOT-SW}$  is too low. For  $V_{FB}$  higher than  $V_{TH\_PGHL1}$ ,  $V_{PGOOD}$  can be pulled high again if  $V_{FB}$  drops back by a power-good high threshold ( $V_{TH\_PGLH2}$ ) (typically 117% of the reference voltage). When  $V_{FB}$  fall short of power-good low threshold ( $V_{TH\_PGHL2}$ ) (typically 85% of the reference voltage), the PGOOD pin will be pulled low. Once being started-up, if any internal



protection is triggered, PGOOD will be pulled low to GND. The internal open-drain pulldown device (10Ω, typically) will pull the PGOOD pin low.

The power good indication profile is shown in Figure 3.

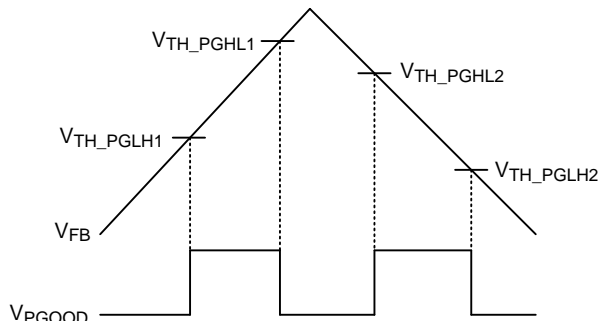


Figure 3. The Logic of PGOOD

### Spread-Spectrum Operation

Due to the periodicity of the switching signals, the energy concentrates in one particular frequency and also in its harmonics. These levels or energy is radiated and therefore this is where a potential EMI issue arises. The RTQ2118C have optional spread-spectrum function and SSP\_EN pin can be programmed to turn on/off the spread spectrum, further simplifying compliance with the CISPR and automotive EMI requirements. The spread spectrum can be active when soft-start is finished and zero-current is not detected. If  $V_{SSP\_EN}$  rises above a logic-high threshold voltage (2V, typically) of the SSP\_EN input, the device enable spread spectrum operation. The spread-spectrum is implemented by a pseudo random sequence and uses +6% spread of the switching frequency. For example, when the RTQ2118C is programmed to 2.1MHz, the frequency will vary from 2.1MHz to 2.226MHz. Therefore, the RTQ2118C still guarantees that the 2.1MHz switching frequency setting does not drop into the AM band limit of 1.8MHz. However, the spread spectrum can't be active when the device is synchronized with an external clock by MODE/SYNC pin.

### Input Under-Voltage Lockout

In addition to the EN pin, the RTQ2118C also provides enable control through the VIN pin. If  $V_{EN}$  rises above  $V_{ENH}$  first, switching will still be inhibited until the VIN voltage rises above  $V_{UVLO}$ . It is to ensure that the

internal regulator is ready so that operation with not-fully-enhanced internal MOSFET switches can be prevented. After the device is powered up, if the input voltage  $V_{IN}$  goes below the UVLO falling threshold voltage ( $V_{UVLOL}$ ), this switching will be inhibited; if  $V_{IN}$  rises above the UVLO rising threshold ( $V_{UVLOH}$ ), the device will resume switching. Note that  $V_{IN} = 3V$  is only design for cold crank requirement, normal input voltage should be larger than UVLO threshold to turn on.

### High-Side Switch Peak Current Limit Protection

The RTQ2118C includes a cycle-by-cycle high-side switch peak current-limit protection against the condition that the inductor current increasing abnormally, even over the inductor saturation current rating. The high-side MOSFET switch peak current limit of the RTQ2118C is adjustable by placing a resistor on the RLIM pin. The recommended resistor value is ranging from 33kΩ (for typ. 5.5A) to 91kΩ (for typ. 2.2A) and it is recommended to use 1% tolerance or better and temperature coefficient of 100 ppm or less resistors. The inductor current through the high-side MOSFET switch will be measured after a certain amount of delay when the high-side MOSFET switch being turned on. If an over-current condition occurs, the converter will immediately turn off the high-side MOSFET switch and turn on the low-side MOSFET switch to prevent the inductor current exceeding the high-side MOSFET switch peak current limit ( $I_{LIM\_H}$ ).

### Low-Side Switch Current-Limit Protection

The RTQ2118C not only implements the high-side switch peak current limit but also provides the sourcing current limit and sinking current limit for low-side MOSFET switch. With these current protections, the IC can easily control inductor current at both side switch and avoid current runaway for short-circuit condition.

For the low-side MOSFET switch sourcing current limit, there is a specific comparator in internal circuitry to compare the low-side MOSFET switch sourcing current to the low-side MOSFET switch sourcing current limit at the end of every clock cycle. When the low-side MOSFET switch sourcing current is higher than the low-side MOSFET switch sourcing current limit which is high-side MOSFET switch current limit

( $I_{LIM\_H}$ ) multiplied by 0.95, the new switching cycle is not initiated until inductor current drops below the low-side MOSFET switch sourcing current limit.

For the low-side MOSFET switch sinking current limit protection, it is implemented by detecting the voltage across the low-side MOSFET switch.

### Output Under-Voltage Protection

The RTQ2118C includes output under-voltage protection (UVP) against over-load or short-circuited condition by constantly monitoring the feedback voltage  $V_{FB}$ . If  $V_{FB}$  drops below the under-voltage protection trip threshold (typically 50% of the internal reference voltage), the UV comparator will go high to turn off the high-side MOSFET and then turn off the low-side MOSFET when the inductor current drop to zero. If the output under-voltage condition continues for a period of time, the RTQ2118C enters output under-voltage protection with hiccup mode and discharges the  $C_{SS}$  by an internal discharging current source  $I_{SS\_DIS}$  (typically, 80nA). During hiccup mode, the device remains shut down. After the  $V_{SS}$  is discharged to less than 150mV (typically), the RTQ2118C attempts to re-start up again, the internal charging current source  $I_{SS}$  gradually increases the voltage on  $C_{SS}$ . The high-side MOSFET switch will start switching when voltage difference between SS pin and FB pin is larger than 400mV ( i.e.  $V_{SS} - V_{FB} > 400mV$ , typically). If the output under-voltage condition is not removed, the high-side MOSFET switch stop switching when the voltage difference between SS pin and FB pin is 700mV ( i.e.  $V_{SS} - V_{FB} = 700mV$ , typically) and then the  $I_{SS\_DIS}$  discharging current source begins to discharge  $C_{SS}$ .

Upon completion of the soft-start sequence, if the output under-voltage condition is removed, the converter will resume normal operation; otherwise, such cycle for auto-recovery will be repeated until the output under-voltage condition is cleared.

Hiccup mode allows the circuit to operate safely with low input current and power dissipation, and then resume normal operation as soon as the over-load or short-circuit condition is removed. A short circuit protection and recovery profile is shown in Figure 4.

Since the  $C_{SS}$  will be discharged to 150mV when the

RTQ2118C enters output under-voltage protection, the first charging time ( $t_{SS\_DIS1}$ ) can be calculated as follow

$$t_{SS\_DIS1} = C_{SS} \times \frac{V_{SS} - 0.15}{I_{SS\_DIS}}$$

The equation below assumes that the  $V_{FB}$  will be 0 at short-circuited condition and it can be used to calculate the  $C_{SS}$  charging time ( $t_{SS\_DIS2}$ ) and charging time ( $t_{SS\_CH}$ ) during hiccup mode.

$$t_{SS\_DIS2} = C_{SS} \times \frac{0.55}{I_{SS\_DIS}}$$

$$t_{SS\_CH} = C_{SS} \times \frac{0.55}{I_{SS\_CH}}$$

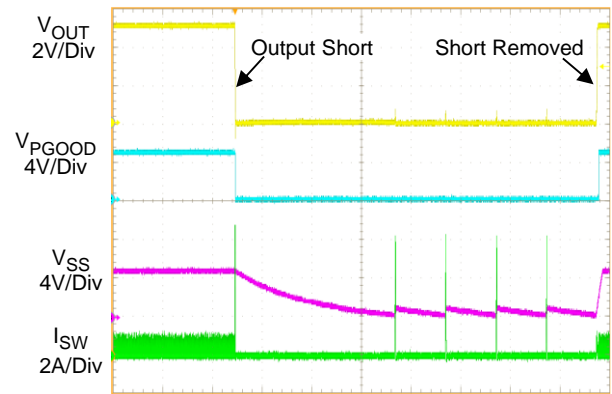


Figure 4. Short Circuit Protection and Recovery

### Over-Temperature Protection

The RTQ2118C includes an over-temperature protection (OTP) circuitry to prevent overheating due to excessive power dissipation. The OTP will shut down switching operation when junction temperature exceeds a thermal shutdown threshold  $T_{SD}$ . Once the junction temperature cools down by a thermal shutdown hysteresis ( $\Delta T_{SD}$ ), the IC will resume normal operation with a complete soft-start.

### Pin-Short Protection

The RTQ2118C provides pin-short protection for neighbor pins. The internal protection fuse will be burned out to prevent IC smoke, fire and spark when BOOT pin is shorted to VIN pin

**VBUS Reset**

When the fault event is occurred. Buck converter will be shut down. Then VBUS will be discharged by internal circuit. Then turns on buck converter to reassert the VBUS voltage. If timeout event occurs, the system will do VBUS reset again until no timeout event occurred.

The VBUS reset function is implemented in the RTQ2118C for system recovery after fault clear. It's used to renegotiate charging protocol (such as BC 1.2). The following conditions will trigger VBUS reset event, when re-power on.

- ▶ D+/D- OVP event
- ▶ Release OVP/UVP/OTP event
- ▶ FB pin drops below PGOOD level (typ. = 85%)

**DS+ DS- Over-Voltage Protection**

The RTQ2118C includes a data over-voltage protection function against the condition that DS+ or DS- suffers high voltage to let charging detection abnormal or damage the HOST device through data switch. When the voltage at DS+ or DS- is over protection trip threshold, 3.85V (typically), the PGOOD will be pull low after 100µs and data switch will also be turned off after a fast response time, 5µs (typically). It is keep until the voltage is lower than threshold. Then, the PGOOD is released after 100µs and data switch recovery after a fast response time, 5µs (typically). When detect the rising edge of PGOOD, the VOUT/VBUS will be reset for a 400ms. This behavior will let charged devices re-attach and start the charging detection operation again. The sequence is shown as Figure 5.

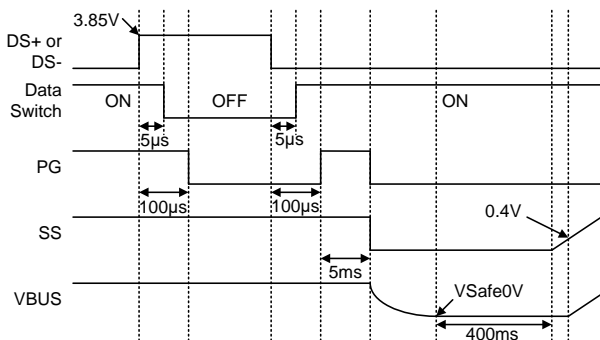


Figure 5. Data Over-Voltage Protection Sequence

**USB Type-C Connection Detection**

The RTQ2118C implements the Type-C control function as an only DFP role. The VBUS will be released by the blocking switch controlled from the gate pin of USB controller. When the device is connected, the UFP provides the Rd on the both its CC pins and DFP will monitor it from CC1 or CC2 to start the attached operation. Take the CC2 as an example, Figure 6 shows the CC2 attached sequence. The VBUS will be released in 150ms as DFP is attached. After DFP is detached, CC2 is changed to open in 10ms and starts to wait the VBUS down to Vsafe0V. Then, CC2 will be back to high. The sequence is shown as in Figure 7. If the waiting time is over 675ms, the CC will be forced to high.

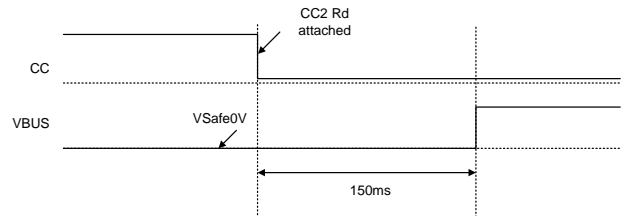


Figure 6. Type-C Attached Sequence

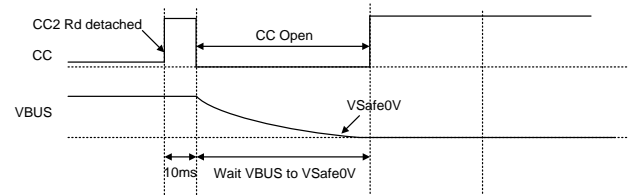


Figure 7. Type-C Detached Sequence

**CC Over-Voltage Protection**

The RTQ2118C includes a CC over-voltage protection function. When the voltage at CC1 or CC2 is over protection trip threshold, 5.8V (typically), the PGOOD will be pull low and gate will also be turned off after a fast response time. Then, the VBUS starts to discharge in 35ms. When the over voltage event at CC pin is removed, the PGOOD will go back to high and CC starts to wait another attached operation. The sequence is shown as Figure 8.

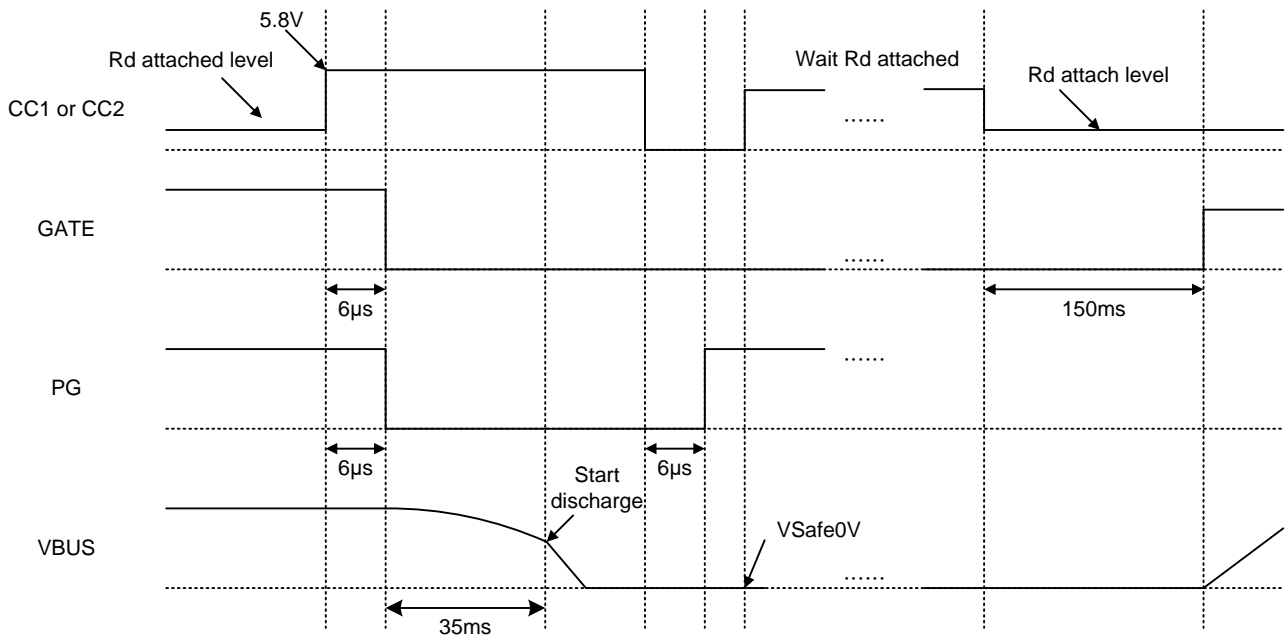


Figure 8. CC Over-Voltage Protection Sequence

**Absolute Maximum Ratings** (Note 1)

• Supply Input Voltage, VIN	-----	-0.3V to 42V
• Switch Voltage, SW	-----	-0.3V to 42V
<50ns	-----	-5V to 46.3V
• BOOT Voltage, VBOOT	-----	-0.3V to 48V
• BOOT to SW, VBOOT – VSW	-----	-0.3V to 6V
• EN, CSP, CSN, SS Voltage	-----	-0.3V to 42V
• DS+, DS- Voltage	-----	-0.3V to 20V
• CC1, CC2, VS, GATE Voltage	-----	-0.3V to 24V
• Other Pins	-----	-0.3V to 6V
• Power Dissipation, PD @ TA = 25°C		
WETD-VQFN-40L 6x6	-----	3.7W
• Package Thermal Resistance (Note 2)		
WETD-VQFN-40L 6x6, $\theta_{JA}$	-----	27°C/W
WETD-VQFN-40L 6x6, $\theta_{JC}$	-----	6.5°C/W
• Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec.)	-----	260°C
• Junction Temperature	-----	150°C
• Storage Temperature Range	-----	-65°C to 150°C
• ESD Susceptibility (Note 3)		
HBM (Human Body Model)		
DS+, DS-, CC1, CC2, VS Pins to AGND2	-----	8kV
Other Pins	-----	2kV

**Recommended Operating Conditions** (Note 4)

• Supply Input Voltage	-----	3V to 36V
• Output Voltage	-----	0.8V to 5.5V
• Ambient Temperature Range	-----	-40°C to 125°C
• Junction Temperature Range	-----	-40°C to 125°C

## Electrical Characteristics

( $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $T_J = -40^{\circ}C$  to  $125^{\circ}C$ , unless otherwise specified)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
<b>Supply Voltage</b>						
Input Operating Voltage	$V_{IN}$	Soft-start is finished	3	--	36	V
$V_{IN}$ Under-Voltage Lockout Threshold	$V_{UVLOH}$	$V_{IN}$ rising	3.6	3.8	4	V
	$V_{UVLOL}$	$V_{IN}$ falling	2.7	2.85	3	
Shutdown Current	$I_{SHDN}$	$V_{EN} = 0V$	--	--	5	$\mu A$
Quiescent Current	$I_Q$	$V_{EN} = 2V$ , $V_{FB} = 0.82V$ , not switching, $V_{CC} = 5V$ , Type C unattached	--	150	200	$\mu A$
Reference Voltage for Constant Voltage regulation	$V_{REF\_CV}$	$3V < V_{IN} < 36V$ , PWM, $T_A = T_J = 25^{\circ}C$	0.792	0.8	0.808	V
		$3V < V_{IN} < 36V$ , PWM, $T_A = T_J = -40^{\circ}C$ to $125^{\circ}C$	0.788	0.8	0.812	
<b>Enable Voltage</b>						
Enable Threshold Voltage	$V_{IH}$	$V_{EN}$ rising	1.15	1.25	1.35	V
	$V_{IL}$	$V_{EN}$ falling	0.9	1.05	1.15	
<b>Current Limit</b>						
High-Side Switch Current Limit 1	$I_{LIM\_H1}$	$R_{LIM} = 91k\Omega$	1.87	2.2	2.53	A
High-Side Switch Current Limit 2	$I_{LIM\_H2}$	$R_{LIM} = 47k\Omega$	3.52	4	4.48	A
High-Side Switch Current Limit 3	$I_{LIM\_H3}$	$R_{LIM} = 33k\Omega$	4.84	5.5	6.16	A
Low-Side Switch Sinking Current Limit	$I_{SK\_L}$	From drain to source	--	2	--	A
<b>Switching</b>						
Switching Frequency 1	$f_{SW1}$	$R_{RT} = 174k\Omega$	264	300	336	kHz
Switching Frequency 2	$f_{SW2}$	$R_{RT} = 51k\Omega$	0.88	0.98	1.08	MHz
Switching Frequency 3	$f_{SW3}$	$R_{RT} = 21k\Omega$	1.98	2.2	2.42	MHz
SYNC Frequency Range			0.3	--	2.2	MHz
SYNC Switching High Threshold	$V_{IH\_SYNC}$		--	--	2	V
SYNC Switching Low Threshold	$V_{IL\_SYNC}$		0.4	--	--	V
SYNC Switching Clock Duty Cycle	$D_{SYNC}$		20	--	80	%
Minimum On-Time	$t_{ON\_MIN}$		--	60	80	ns
Minimum Off-Time	$t_{OFF\_MIN}$		--	65	80	ns

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
<b>Internal MOSFET</b>						
High-Side Switch On-Resistance	RDS(ON)_H		--	70	130	mΩ
Low-Side Switch On-Resistance	RDS(ON)_L		--	70	130	mΩ
High-Side Switch Leakage Current	I <sub>LEAK_H</sub>	V <sub>EN</sub> = 0V, V <sub>SW</sub> = 0V	--	--	1	μA
<b>Soft-Start</b>						
Soft-Start Internal Charging Current	I <sub>SS</sub>		4.5	6	7.2	μA
<b>Power Good</b>						
Power Good High Threshold 1	V <sub>TH_PGLH1</sub>	V <sub>FB</sub> rising, PGOOD from low to high	85	90	95	%
Power Good Low Threshold 1	V <sub>TH_PGHL1</sub>	V <sub>FB</sub> rising, PGOOD from high to low	115	120	125	
Power Good Low Threshold 2	V <sub>TH_PGHL2</sub>	V <sub>FB</sub> falling, PGOOD from high to low	80	85	90	%
Power Good High Threshold 2	V <sub>TH_PGLH2</sub>	V <sub>FB</sub> falling, PGOOD from low to high	112	117	122	
Power Good Leakage Current	I <sub>LK_PGOOD</sub>	PGOOD signal good, V <sub>FB</sub> = V <sub>REF</sub> , V <sub>PGOOD</sub> = 5.5V	--	--	0.5	μA
Power Good Sink Current Capability	I <sub>SK_PGOOD</sub>	PGOOD signal fault, I <sub>PGOOD</sub> sinks 0.2mA	--	--	0.3	V
<b>Error Amplifier</b>						
Error Amplifier Trans-conductance	gm	-10μA < I <sub>COMP</sub> < 10μA	665	950	1280	μA/V
COMP to Current Sense Trans-conductance	gm <sub>CS</sub>		4.5	5.6	6.7	A/V
<b>Load Line Compensation</b>						
Load Line Compensation Current	I <sub>LC</sub>	V <sub>CSP</sub> - V <sub>CSN</sub> = 100mV, 3.3V < V <sub>OUT</sub> < 6V	--	2	--	μA
		V <sub>CSP</sub> - V <sub>CSN</sub> = 50mV, 3.3V < V <sub>OUT</sub> < 6V	--	0.95	--	
<b>Constant Current Regulation</b>						
Reference Voltage for Constant Current Regulation	V <sub>REF_CC</sub>	V <sub>CSP</sub> - V <sub>CSN</sub> , 3.3V < V <sub>CSP</sub> and V <sub>CSN</sub> < 6V	--	100	--	mV
<b>Spread Spectrum</b>						
Spread-Spectrum Range	SS	Spread-spectrum option only	--	+6	--	%
<b>Over-Temperature Protection</b>						
Thermal Shutdown	T <sub>SD</sub>		--	175	--	°C
Thermal Shutdown Hysteresis	ΔT <sub>SD</sub>		--	15	--	°C

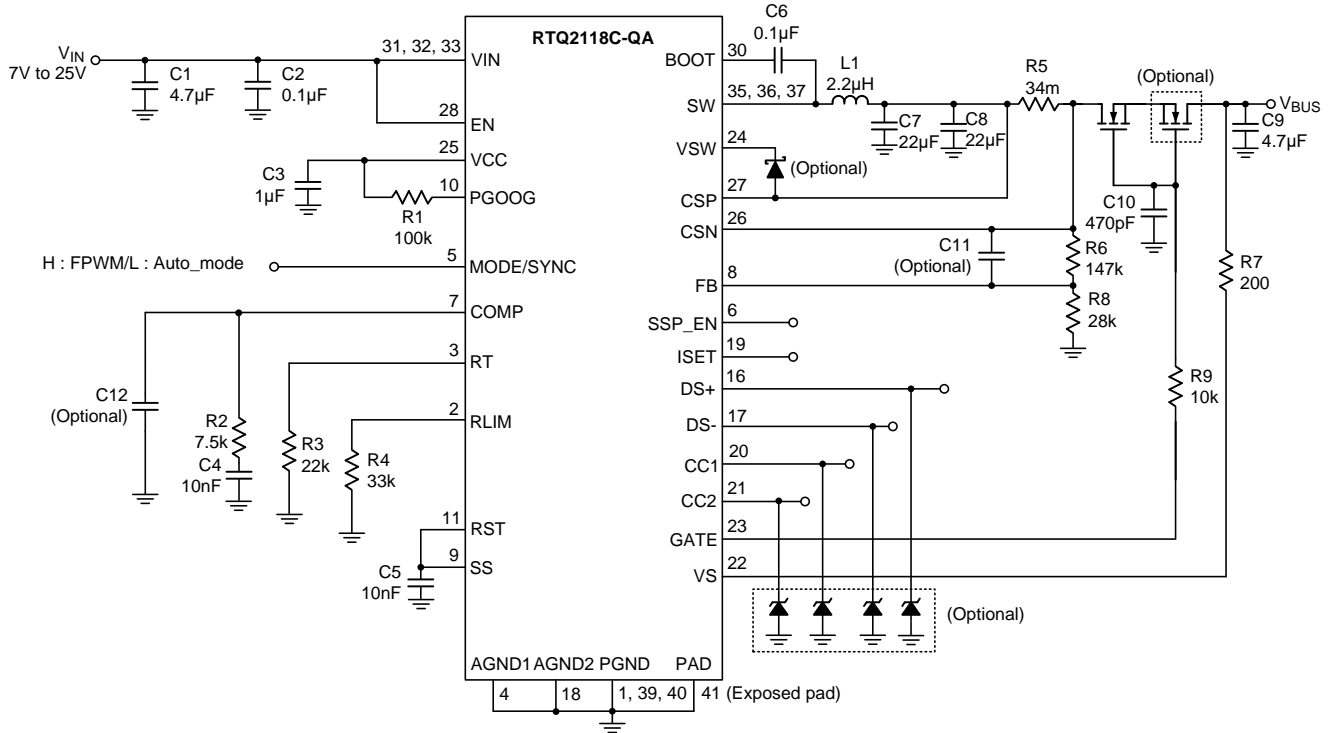
Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Unit
Switching Pin Discharge Resistance		Force 1V	--	100	160	$\Omega$
<b>Output Under-Voltage Protection</b>						
UVP Trip Threshold	V <sub>UVP</sub>	UVP detect	0.35	0.4	0.45	V
<b>ISET</b>						
Input Pin L → H Threshold Voltage	V <sub>TH</sub>		1.05	1.15	1.25	V
Input Pin H → L Threshold Voltage	V <sub>TL</sub>		0.3	0.4	0.5	V
Floating Voltage			0.7	0.8	0.9	V
<b>GATE</b>						
Output Source Current			--	12	--	$\mu$ A
VGATE			9	9.5	10	V
RGATE			0.5	1	2	k $\Omega$
<b>Type-C</b>						
DFP 80 $\mu$ A CC Current	I <sub>CC_DFP80<math>\mu</math></sub>	CC = 0.5V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V	64	80	96	$\mu$ A
DFP 180 $\mu$ A CC Current	I <sub>CC_DFP180<math>\mu</math></sub>	CC = 1V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V	166	180	194	$\mu$ A
DFP 330 $\mu$ A CC Current	I <sub>CC_DFP330<math>\mu</math></sub>	CC = 1.5V, V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V	304	330	356	$\mu$ A
VBUS Discharge Resistor	R <sub>VBUS</sub>		45	55	65	$\Omega$
VCONN Switch On-Resistance	R <sub>DS(ON)_VCONN</sub>		--	1	1.5	$\Omega$
VCONN Current Limit	I <sub>LIM_VCONN</sub>		300	350	400	mA
CC Protection Threshold	V <sub>OV_CC</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V	5.5	5.7	5.9	V
VBUS Protection Threshold	V <sub>OV_VBUS</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> = 5V	5.5	5.7	5.9	V
<b>DCP Shorted Mode</b>						
DS+/DS- Shorting Resistance	R <sub>DCP_SHORT</sub>	DS+ = 0.8V, I <sub>DS-</sub> = 1mA	--	--	200	$\Omega$
Resistance Between DS+/DS- and Ground	R <sub>DCHG_SHORT</sub>	DS+ = 0.8V	300	--	--	k $\Omega$
<b>1.2V Shorted Mode</b>						
DS+ Output Voltage	V <sub>DP_1.2V</sub>		1.12	1.2	1.28	V
DS+ Output Impedance	R <sub>DP_1.2V</sub>		80	102	130	k $\Omega$
<b>Divider 3 Mode</b>						
DS+ Output Voltage	V <sub>DP_2.7V</sub>		2.57	2.7	2.84	V
DS- Output Voltage	V <sub>DM_2.7V</sub>		2.57	2.7	2.84	V
DS+ Output Impedance	R <sub>DP_2.7V</sub>		24	30	36	k $\Omega$
DS- Output Impedance	R <sub>DM_2.7V</sub>		24	30	36	k $\Omega$



- Note 1.** Stresses beyond those listed under “Absolute Maximum Ratings” may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions may affect device reliability.
- Note 2.**  $\theta_{JA}$  is measured under natural convection (still air) at  $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$  with the component mounted on a high effective-thermal-conductivity four-layer test board on a JEDEC 51-7 thermal measurement standard. The first layer is filled with copper.  $\theta_{JC}$  is measured at the exposed pad of the package.
- Note 3.** Devices are ESD sensitive. Handling precautions are recommended.
- Note 4.** The device is not guaranteed to function outside its operating conditions.

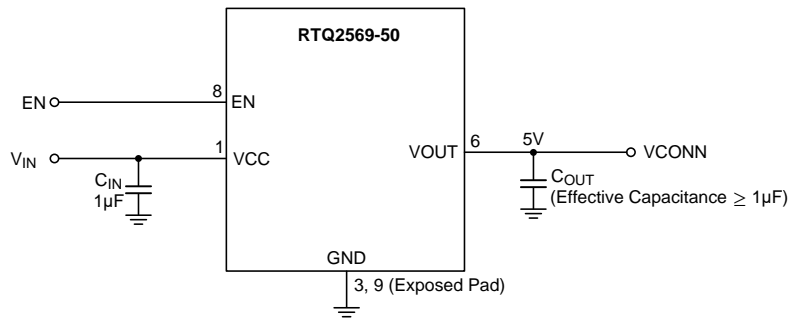
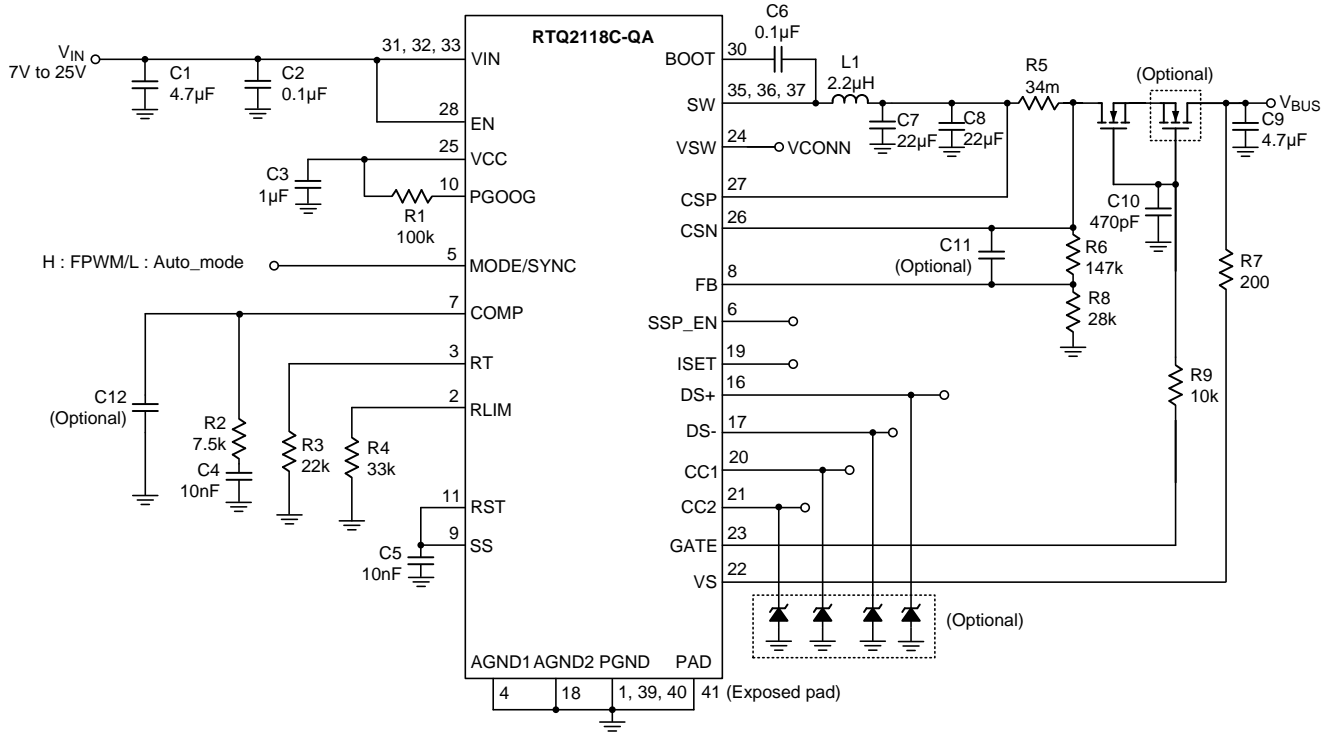
## Typical Application Circuit

Step-Down Circuit with :  
 Cable Drop Compensation : 240mV@2.4A  
 Average Current Limit : 2.9A  
 2100kHz, 5V, 3A Step-Down Converter

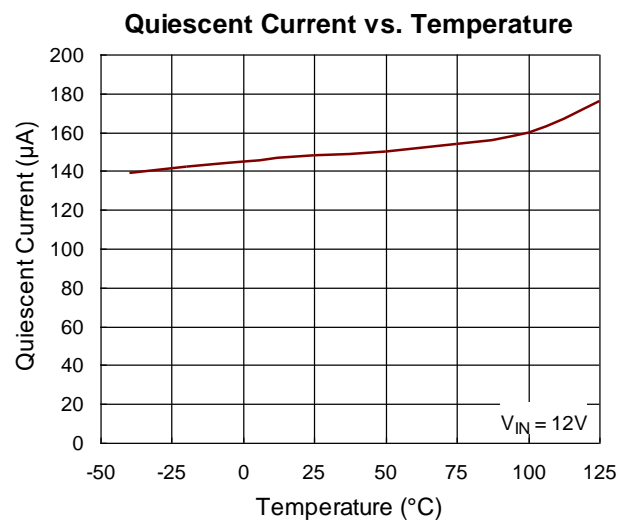
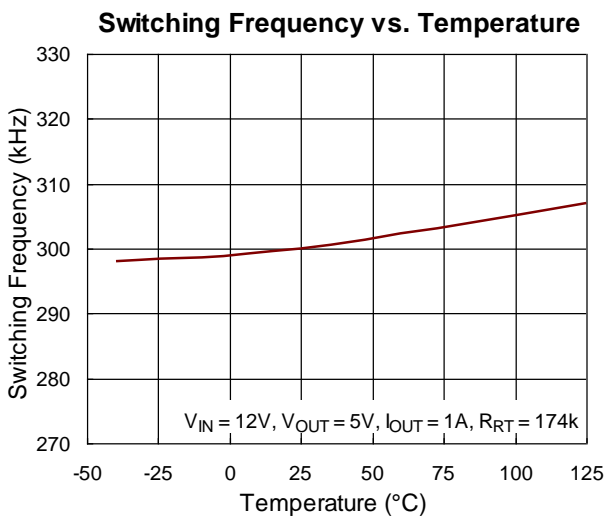
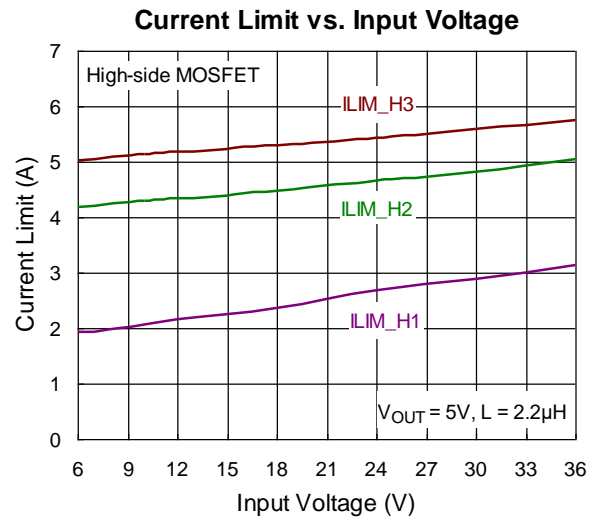
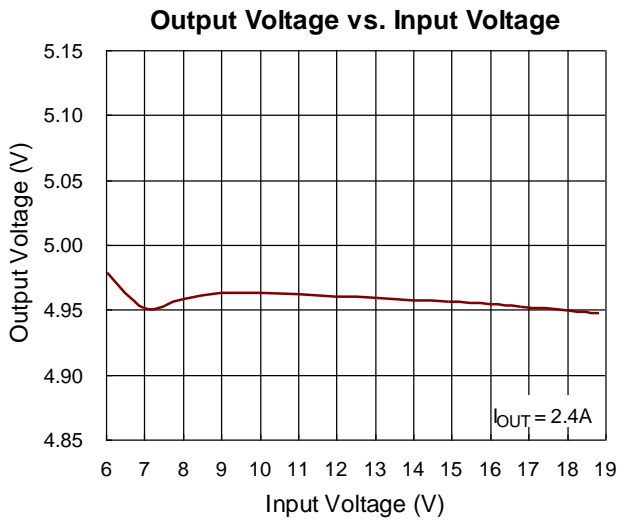
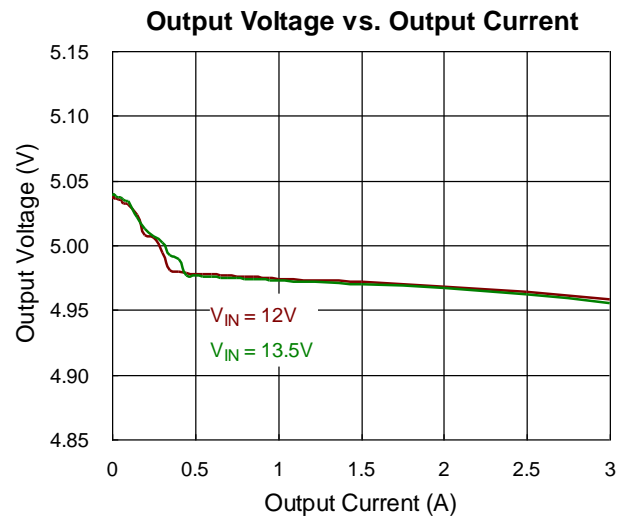
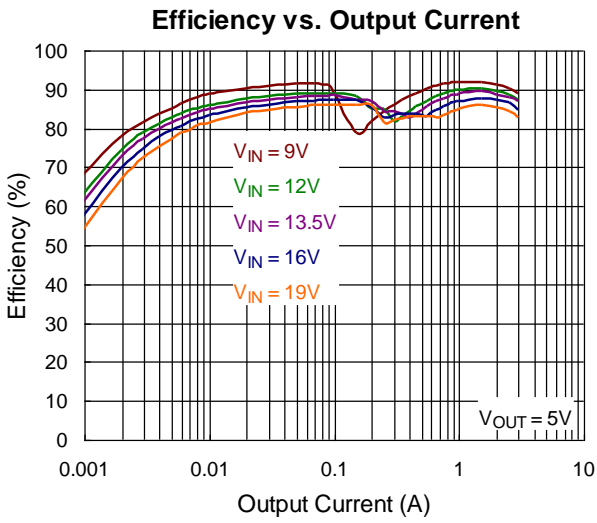


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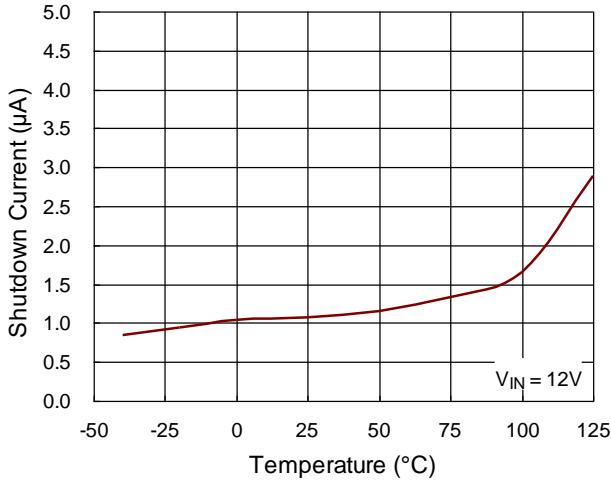
Step-Down Circuit with :  
Cable Drop Compensation : 240mV@2.4A  
Average Current Limit : 2.9A  
Suitable for VBUS connected to high voltage  
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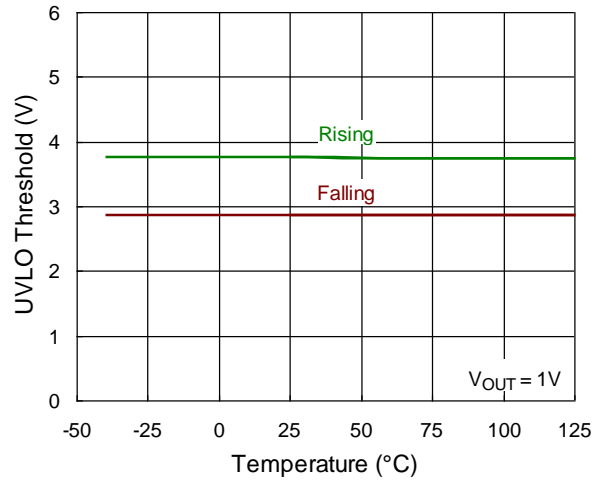
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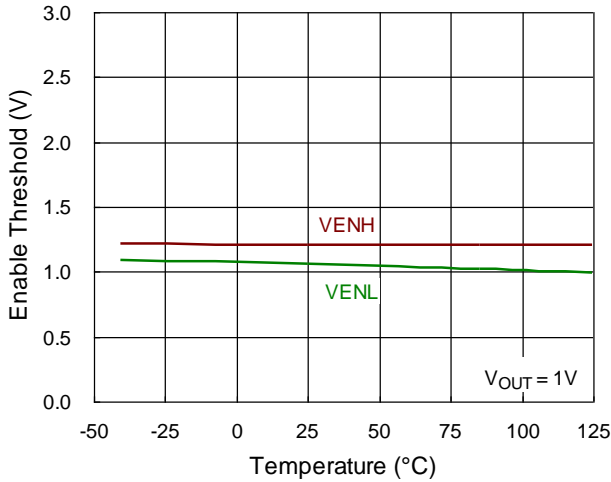
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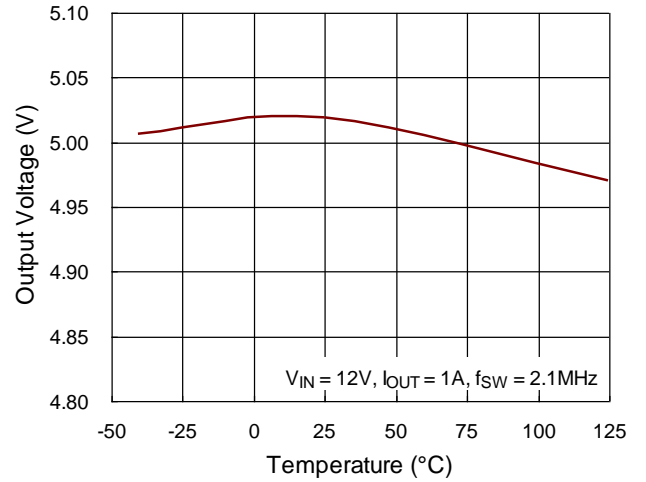
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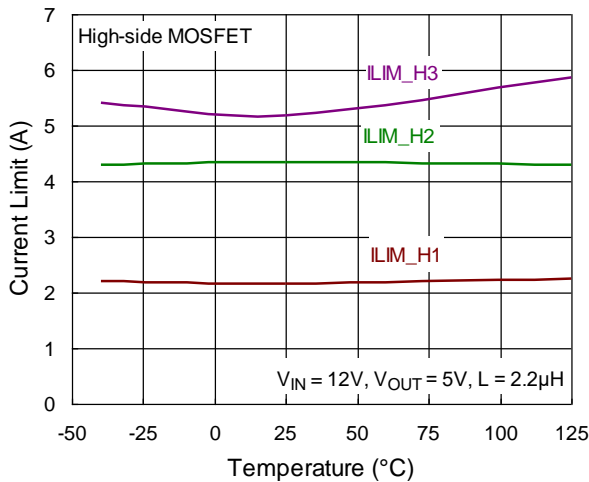
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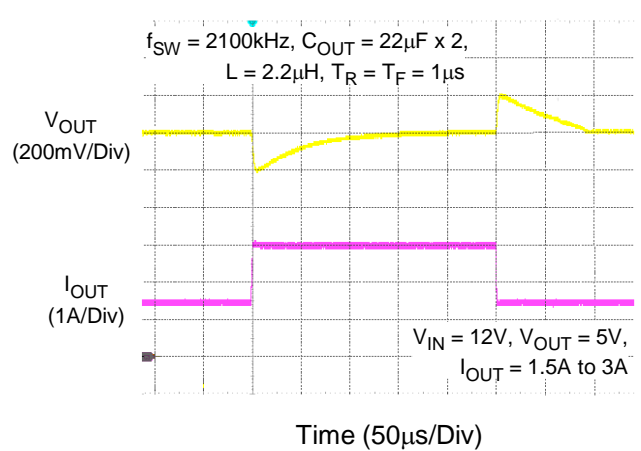
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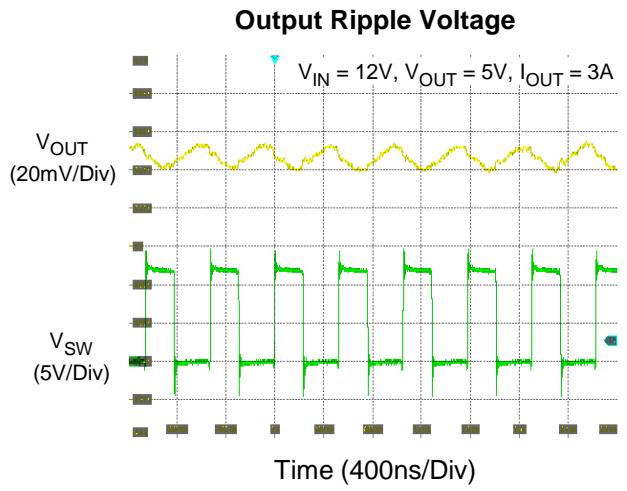
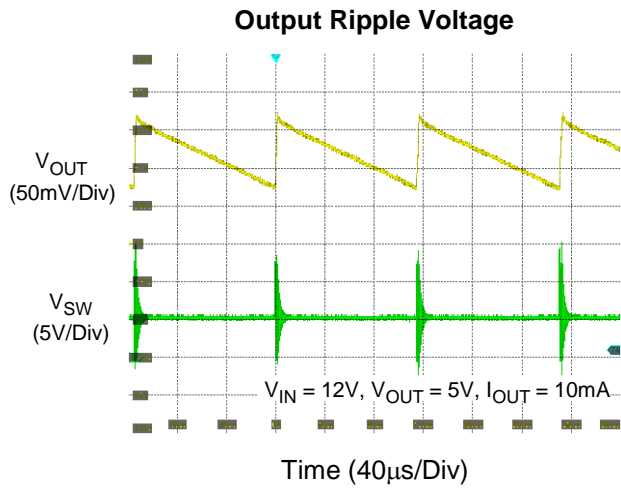


**Current Limit vs. Temperature**



**Load Transient Response**





## Application Information

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A general RTQ2118C application circuit is shown in typical application circuit section. External component selection is largely driven by the load requirement and begins with the selection of operating mode by setting the MODE/SYNC pin voltage and the operating frequency by using external resistor RT. Next, the inductor L is chosen and then the input capacitor C<sub>IN</sub>, the output capacitor C<sub>OUT</sub>. Next, feedback resistors and compensation circuit are selected to set the desired output voltage, crossover frequency, the internal regulator capacitor C<sub>VCC</sub>, and the bootstrap capacitor C<sub>BOOT</sub> can be selected. Finally, the remaining optional external components can be selected for functions such as the EN, external soft-start, PGOOD, inductor peak current limit, synchronization, spread spectrum, average current limit, and adjustable output voltage with cable drop compensation.

### FPWM/PSM Selection

The RTQ2118C provides an MODE/SYNC pin for Forced-PWM Mode (FPWM) and Power Saving Mode (PSM) operation selection at light load. To optimize efficiency at light loads, the RTQ2118C can be set in PSM. The V<sub>MODE/SYNC</sub> is held below a logic-low threshold voltage (V<sub>IL\_SYNC</sub>) of the MODE/SYNC input, that is, with the MODE/SYNC pin floating or pull low, the device operates in PSM at light load to improve light load efficiency. If it is necessary to keep switching harmonics out of the signal band, the RTQ2118C can operate in FPWM. The device is locked in PWM mode when V<sub>MODE/SYNC</sub> rises above a logic-high threshold voltage (V<sub>IH\_SYNC</sub>) of the MODE/SYNC input. The FPWM trades off reduced light load efficiency for low output voltage ripple, tight output voltage regulation, fast transient response, and constant switching frequency.

### Switching Frequency Setting

The RTQ2118C offers adjustable switching frequency setting and the switching frequency can be set by using external resistor RT. Switching frequency range is from 300kHz to 2.2MHz. Selection of the operating frequency is a trade-off between efficiency and component size. High frequency operation allows the use of smaller inductor and capacitor values. Operation at lower frequencies improves efficiency by reducing internal gate charge and transition losses, but requires larger inductance values and/or capacitance to maintain low output ripple voltage. An additional constraint on operating frequency are the minimum on-time and minimum off-time. The minimum on-time, t<sub>ON\_MIN</sub>, is the smallest duration of time in which the high-side switch can be in its “on” state. This time is 60ns (typically). In continuous mode operation, the minimum on-time limit imposes a maximum operating frequency, f<sub>SW\_MAX</sub>, of :

$$f_{SW\_MAX} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{t_{ON\_MIN} \times V_{IN\_MAX}}$$

where V<sub>IN\_MAX</sub> is the maximum operating input voltage. The minimum off-time, t<sub>OFF\_MIN</sub>, is the smallest amount of time that the RTQ2118C is capable of turning on the low-side MOSFET switch, tripping the current comparator and turning the MOSFET switch back off. The minimum off time is 65ns (typically). If the switching frequency should be constant, the required off time needs to be larger than minimum off time. Below shows minimum off time calculation with loss terms consideration,

$$t_{OFF\_MIN} \leq \frac{1 - \left[ \frac{V_{OUT} + I_{OUT\_MAX} \times (R_{DS(ON)_L} + R_L)}{V_{IN\_MIN} - I_{OUT\_MAX} \times (R_{DS(ON)_H} - R_{DS(ON)_L})} \right]}{f_{sw}}$$

where R<sub>DS(ON)\_H</sub> is the on resistance of the high-side MOSFET switch; R<sub>DS(ON)\_L</sub> is the on resistance of the low-side MOSFET switch; R<sub>L</sub> is the DC resistance of

inductor.

Through external resistor  $R_{RT}$  connect between RT pin and GND to set the switching frequency  $f_{sw}$ . The failure modes and effects analysis (FMEA) consideration is applied to RT pin setting to avoid abnormal switching frequency operation at failure condition. It includes failure scenarios of short-circuit to GND and the pin is left open. The switching frequency will be 2.35MHz (typically) when the RT pin short to GND and 250kHz (typically) when the pin is left open. The equation below shows the relation between setting frequency and  $R_{RT}$  value.

$$R_{RT(k\Omega)} = 74296 \times f_{sw}^{-1.06}$$

Where  $f_{sw}$  (kHz) is the desire setting frequency. It is recommended to use 1% tolerance or better and temperature coefficient of 100 ppm or less resistors. The Figure 9 shows the relationship between switching frequency and  $R_{RT}$  resistor.

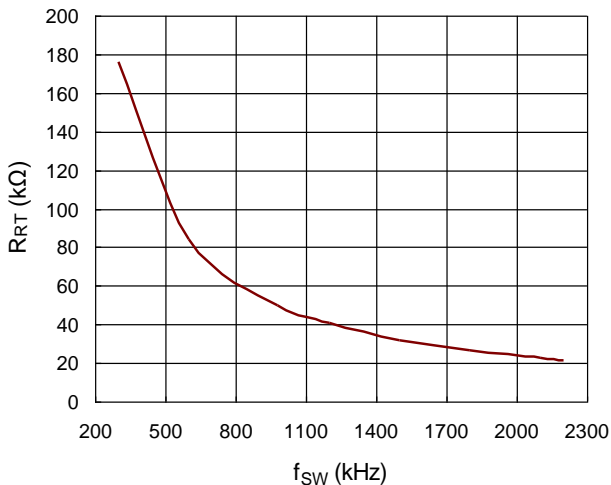


Figure 9. Switching Frequency vs.  $R_{RT}$  Resistor

### Inductor Selection

The inductor selection trade-offs among size, cost, efficiency, and transient response requirements. Generally, three key inductor parameters are specified for operation with the device: inductance value (L), inductor saturation current ( $I_{SAT}$ ), and DC resistance (DCR).

A good compromise between size and loss is a 30% peak-to-peak ripple current to the IC rated current. The switching frequency, input voltage, output voltage, and

selected inductor ripple current determines the inductor value as follows :

$$L = \frac{V_{OUT} \times (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{V_{IN} \times f_{SW} \times \Delta I_L}$$

Larger inductance values result in lower output ripple voltage and higher efficiency, but a slightly degraded transient response. This result in additional phase lag in the loop and reduce the crossover frequency. As the ratio of the slope-compensation ramp to the sensed-current ramp increases, the current-mode system tilts towards voltage-mode control. Lower inductance values allow for smaller case size, but the increased ripple lowers the effective current limit threshold, increases the AC losses in the inductor and may trigger low-side switch sinking current limit at FPWM. It also causes insufficient slope compensation and ultimately loop instability as duty cycle approaches or exceeds 50%. When duty cycle exceeds 50%, below condition needs to be satisfied :

$$2.1 \times f_{SW} > \frac{V_{OUT}}{L}$$

A good compromise among size, efficiency, and transient response can be achieved by setting an inductor current ripple ( $\Delta I_L$ ) with about 10% to 50% of the maximum rated output current (3A).

To enhance the efficiency, choose a low-loss inductor having the lowest possible DC resistance that fits in the allotted dimensions. The inductor value determines not only the ripple current but also the load-current value at which DCM/CCM switchover occurs. The inductor selected should have a saturation current rating greater than the peak current limit of the device. The core must be large enough not to saturate at the peak inductor current ( $I_{L\_PEAK}$ ) :

$$\Delta I_L = \frac{V_{OUT} \times (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{V_{IN} \times f_{SW} \times L}$$

$$I_{L\_PEAK} = I_{OUT\_MAX} + \frac{1}{2} \Delta I_L$$

The current flowing through the inductor is the inductor ripple current plus the output current. During power up, faults or transient load conditions, the inductor current can increase above the calculated peak inductor current level calculated above. In transient conditions, the inductor current can increase up to the switch current limit of the device. For this reason, the most



conservative approach is to specify an inductor with a saturation current rating equal to or greater than the switch current limit rather than the peak inductor current. It is recommended to use shielded inductors for good EMI performance.

**Input Capacitor Selection**

Input capacitance,  $C_{IN}$ , is needed to filter the pulsating current at the drain of the high-side power MOSFET.  $C_{IN}$  should be sized to do this without causing a large variation in input voltage. The peak-to-peak voltage ripple on input capacitor can be estimated as equation below :

$$\Delta V_{CIN} = D \times I_{OUT} \times \frac{1-D}{C_{IN} \times f_{SW}} + ESR \times I_{OUT}$$

Where

$$D = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN} \times \eta}$$

For ceramic capacitors, the equivalent series resistance (ESR) is very low, the ripple which is caused by ESR can be ignored, and the minimum value of effective input capacitance can be estimated as equation below :

$$C_{IN\_MIN} = I_{OUT\_MAX} \times \frac{D(1-D)}{\Delta V_{CIN\_MAX} \times f_{SW}}$$

Where  $\Delta V_{CIN\_MAX} \leq 200mV$

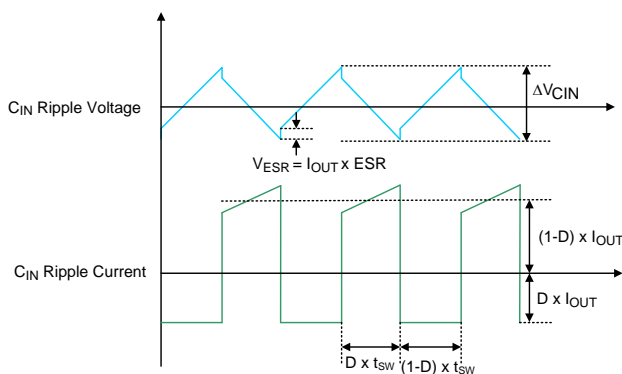


Figure 10.  $C_{IN}$  Ripple Voltage and Ripple Current

In addition, the input capacitor needs to have a very low ESR and must be rated to handle the worst-case RMS input current. The RMS ripple current ( $I_{RMS}$ ) of the regulator can be determined by the input voltage ( $V_{IN}$ ), output voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ ), and rated output current ( $I_{OUT}$ ) as the following equation :

$$I_{RMS} \cong I_{OUT\_MAX} \times \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \times \sqrt{\frac{V_{IN}}{V_{OUT}} - 1}$$

From the above, the maximum RMS input ripple current occurs at maximum output load, which will be used as the requirements to consider the current capabilities of the input capacitors. The maximum ripple voltage usually occurs at 50% duty cycle, that is,  $V_{IN} = 2 \times V_{OUT}$ . It is commonly to use the worse  $I_{RMS} \cong 0.5 \times I_{OUT\_MAX}$  at  $V_{IN} = 2 \times V_{OUT}$  for design. Note that ripple current ratings from capacitor manufacturers are often based on only 2000 hours of life which makes it advisable to further de-rate the capacitor, or choose a capacitor rated at a higher temperature than required.

Several capacitors may also be paralleled to meet size, height and thermal requirements in the design. For low input voltage applications, sufficient bulk input capacitance is needed to minimize transient effects during output load changes.

Ceramic capacitors are ideal for switching regulator applications due to its small, robust and very low ESR. However, care must be taken when these capacitors are used at the input. A ceramic input capacitor combined with trace or cable inductance forms a high quality (under damped) tank circuit. If the RTQ2118C circuit is plugged into a live supply, the input voltage can ring to twice its nominal value, possibly exceeding the device's rating. This situation is easily avoided by placing the low ESR ceramic input capacitor in parallel with a bulk capacitor with higher ESR to damp the voltage ringing.

The input capacitor should be placed as close as possible to the  $V_{IN}$  pin, with a low inductance connection to the PGND of the IC. It is recommended to connect a  $4.7\mu F$ , X7R capacitors between  $V_{IN}$  pin to PGND pin for 2.1MHz switching frequency. The larger input capacitance is required when a lower switching frequency is used. For filtering high frequency noise, additional small capacitor  $0.1\mu F$  should be placed close to the part and the capacitor should be 0402 or 0603 in size. X7R capacitors are recommended for best performance across temperature and input voltage variations.

## Output Capacitor Selection

The selection of  $C_{OUT}$  is determined by considering to satisfy the voltage ripple and the transient loads. The peak-to-peak output ripple,  $\Delta V_{OUT}$ , is determined by :

$$\Delta V_{OUT} = \Delta I_L \left( ESR + \frac{1}{8 \times C_{OUT} \times f_{SW}} \right)$$

Where the  $\Delta I_L$  is the peak-to-peak inductor ripple current. The output ripple is highest at maximum input voltage since  $\Delta I_L$  increases with input voltage. Multiple capacitors placed in parallel may be needed to meet the ESR and RMS current handling requirements.

Regarding to the transient loads, the  $V_{SAG}$  and  $V_{SOAR}$  requirement should be taken into consideration for choosing the effective output capacitance value. The amount of output sag/soar is a function of the crossover frequency factor at PWM, which can be calculated from below.

$$V_{SAG} = V_{SOAR} = \frac{\Delta I_{OUT}}{2 \times \pi \times C_{OUT} \times f_C}$$

Ceramic capacitors have very low equivalent series resistance (ESR) and provide the best ripple performance. The recommended dielectric type of the capacitor is X7R best performance across temperature and input voltage variations. The variation of the capacitance value with temperature, DC bias voltage and switching frequency needs to be taken into consideration. For example, the capacitance value of a capacitor decreases as the DC bias across the capacitor increases. Be careful to consider the voltage coefficient of ceramic capacitors when choosing the value and case size. Most ceramic capacitors lose 50% or more of their rated value when used near their rated voltage.

Transient performance can be improved with a higher value output capacitor. Increasing the output capacitance will also decrease the output voltage ripple.

## Output Voltage Programming

The output voltage can be programmed by a resistive divider from the output to ground with the midpoint connected to the FB pin. The resistive divider allows the FB pin to sense a fraction of the output voltage as shown in Figure 11. The output voltage is set according

to the following equation :

$$V_{OUT} = V_{REF\_CV} \times \left( 1 + \frac{R1}{R2} \right)$$

where the reference voltage of constant voltage control  $V_{REF\_CV}$ , is 0.8V (typically).

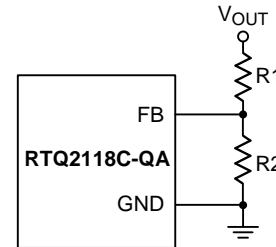


Figure 11. Output Voltage Setting

The placement of the resistive divider should be within 5mm of the FB pin. The resistance of R2 is not larger than 170k $\Omega$  for noise immunity consideration. The resistance of R1 can then be obtained as below :

$$R1 = \frac{R2 \times (V_{OUT} - V_{REF\_CV})}{V_{REF\_CV}}$$

For better output voltage accuracy, the divider resistors (R1 and R2) with  $\pm 1\%$  tolerance or better should be used. Note that the resistance of R1 relates to cable drop compensation setting. The resistance of R1 should be designed to match the needs of the voltage drop application, see the adjustable output voltage with cable drop compensation section.

## Compensation Network Design

The purpose of loop compensation is to ensure stable operation while maximizing the dynamic performance. An undercompensated system may result in unstable operations. Typical symptoms of an unstable power supply include : audible noise from the magnetic components or ceramic capacitors, jittering in the switching waveforms, oscillation of output voltage, overheating of power MOSFETs and so on.

In most cases, the peak current mode control architecture used in the RTQ2118C only requires two external components to achieve a stable design as shown in Figure 12. The compensation can be selected to accommodate any capacitor type or value. The external compensation also allows the user to set the

crossover frequency and optimize the transient performance of the device. Around the crossover frequency the peak current mode control (PCMC) equivalent circuit of Buck converter can be simplified as shown in Figure 13. The method presented here is easy to calculate and ignores the effects of the slope compensation that is internal to the device. Since the slope compensation is ignored, the actual cross over frequency will usually be lower than the crossover frequency used in the calculations. It is always necessary to make a measurement before releasing the design for final production. Though the models of power supplies are theoretically correct, they cannot take full account of circuit parasitic and component nonlinearity, such as the ESR variations of output capacitors, then on linearity of inductors and capacitors, etc. Also, circuit PCB noise and limited measurement accuracy may also cause measurement errors. A Bode plot is ideally measured with a network analyzer while Richtek application note [AN038](#) provides an alternative way to check the stability quickly and easily. Generally, follow the following steps to calculate the compensation components :

1. Set up the crossover frequency,  $f_c$ . For stability purposes, our target is to have a loop gain slope that is  $-20\text{dB/decade}$  from a very low frequency to beyond the crossover frequency. In general, one-twentieth to one-tenth of the switching frequency (5% to 10% of  $f_{sw}$ ) is recommended to be the crossover frequency. Do "NOT" design the crossover frequency over 80kHz when switching frequency is larger than 800kHz. For dynamic purposes, the higher the bandwidth, the faster the load transient response. The downside to high bandwidth is that it increases the regulators susceptibility to board noise which ultimately leads to excessive falling edge jitter of the switch node voltage.

2.  $R_{COMP}$  can be determined by :

$$R_{COMP} = \frac{2\pi \times f_c \times V_{OUT} \times C_{OUT}}{g_m \times V_{REF\_CV} \times g_{m\_CS}} = \frac{2\pi \times f_c \times C_{OUT}}{g_m \times g_{m\_CS}} \times \frac{R1 + R2}{R2}$$

where

$g_m$  is the error amplifier gain of trans-conductance ( $950\mu\text{A/V}$ )

$g_{m\_CS}$  is COMP to current sense ( $5.6\text{A/V}$ )

3. A compensation zero can be placed at or before the dominant pole of buck which is provided by output capacitor and maximum output loading ( $R_L$ ). Calculate  $C_{COMP}$  :

$$C_{COMP} = \frac{R_L \times C_{OUT}}{R_{COMP}}$$

4. The compensation pole is set to the frequency at the ESR zero or 1/2 of the operating frequency. Output capacitor and its ESR provide a zero and optional  $C_{COMP2}$  can be used to cancel this zero.

$$C_{COMP2} = \frac{R_{ESR} \times C_{OUT}}{R_{COMP}}$$

If 1/2 of the operating frequency is lower than the ESR zero, the compensation pole is set at 1/2 of the operating frequency.

$$C_{COMP2} = \frac{1}{2 \times \pi \times \frac{f_{SW}}{2} \times R_{COMP}}$$

NOTE : Generally,  $C_{COMP2}$  is an optional component to be used to enhance noise immunity.

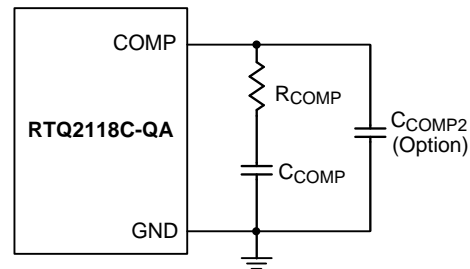


Figure 12. External Compensation Components

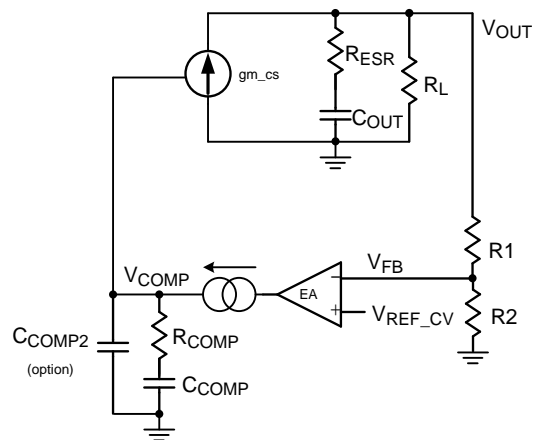


Figure 13. Simplified Equivalent Circuit of Buck with PCMC

## Internal Regulator

The device integrates a 5V linear regulator (VCC) that is supplied by VIN and provides power to the internal circuitry. The internal regulator operates in low dropout mode when VVIN is below 5V. The VCC can be used as the PGOOD pull-up supply but it is “NOT” allowed to power other device or circuitry. The VCC pin must be bypassed to ground with a minimum of 0.7μF, X7R ceramic capacitor, placed as close as possible to the VCC pin. In many applications, a 1μF, 16V, 0603, X7R is a suitable choice. Be careful to account for the voltage coefficient of ceramic capacitors when choosing the value and case size. Many ceramic capacitors lose 50% or more of their rated value when used near their rated voltage.

## Bootstrap Driver Supply

The bootstrap capacitor (CBOOT) between BOOT pin and SW pin is used to create a voltage rail above the applied input voltage, VIN. Specifically, the bootstrap capacitor is charged through an internal diode to a voltage equal to approximately VVCC each time the low-side switch is turned on. The charge on this capacitor is then used to supply the required current during the remainder of the switching cycle. For most applications a 0.1μF, 0603 ceramic capacitor with X7R is recommended and the capacitor should have a 6.3 V or higher voltage rating.

## External Bootstrap Diode (Option)

It is recommended to add an external bootstrap diode between an external 5V voltage supply and the BOOT pin to improve enhancement of the high-side switch and improve efficiency when the input voltage is below 5.5V, the recommended application circuit is shown in Figure 14. The bootstrap diode can be a low-cost one, such as 1N4148 or BAT54. The external 5V can be a fixed 5V voltage supply from the system, or a 5V output voltage generated by the RTQ2118C. Note that the VBOOT-SW must be lower than 5.5V. Figure 15 shows efficiency comparison between with and without Bootstrap Diode.

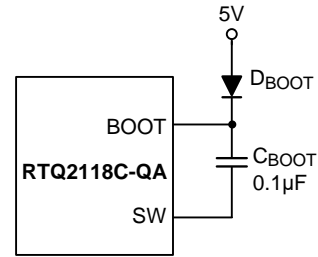


Figure 14. External Bootstrap Diode

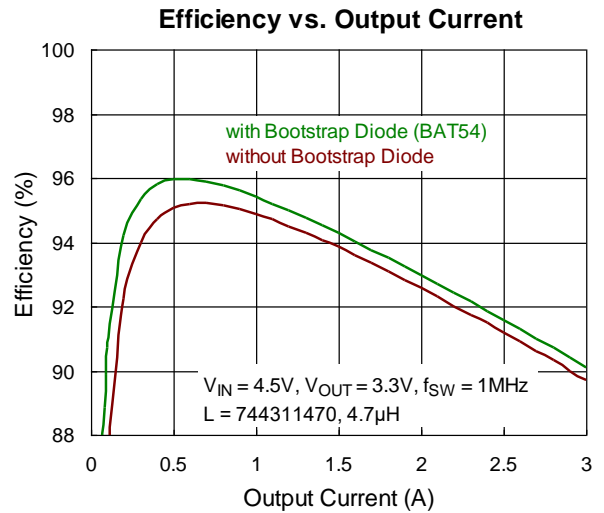


Figure 15. Efficiency Comparison between with and without Bootstrap Diode

## External Bootstrap Resistor (Option)

The gate driver of an internal power MOSFET, utilized as a high-side switch, is optimized for turning on the switch not only fast enough for reducing switching power loss, but also slow enough for minimizing EMI. The EMI issue is worse when the switch is turned on rapidly due to high di/dt noises induced. When the high-side switch is being turned off, the SW node will be discharged relatively slowly by the inductor current due to the presence of the dead time when both the high-side and low-side switches are turned off.

In some cases, it is desirable to reduce EMI further, even at the expense of some additional power dissipation. The turn-on rate of the high-side switch can be slowed by placing a small bootstrap resistor RBOOT between the BOOT pin and the external bootstrap capacitor as shown in Figure 16. The recommended range for the RBOOT is several ohms to 10 ohms and it could be 0402 or 0603 in size.

This will slow down the rates of the high-side switch turn-on and the rise of  $V_{SW}$ . In order to improve EMI performance and enhancement of the internal MOSFET switch, the recommended application circuit is shown in Figure 17, which includes an external bootstrap diode for charging the bootstrap capacitor and a bootstrap resistor  $R_{BOOT}$  being placed between the BOOT pin and the capacitor/diode connection.

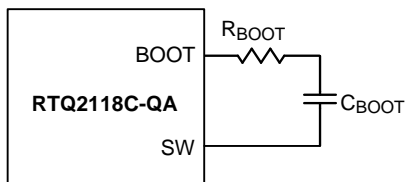


Figure 16. External Bootstrap Resistor at the BOOT Pin

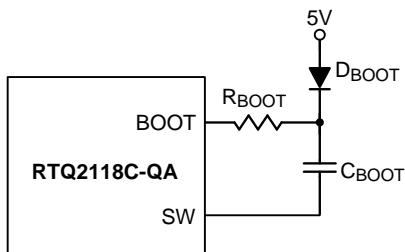


Figure 17. External Bootstrap Diode and Resistor at the BOOT Pin

### EN Pin for Start-Up and Shutdown Operation

For automatic start-up, the EN pin, with high-voltage rating, can be connected to the input supply  $V_{IN}$  directly. The large built-in hysteresis band makes the EN pin useful for simple delay and timing circuits. The EN pin can be externally connected to  $V_{IN}$  by adding a resistor  $R_{EN}$  and a capacitor  $C_{EN}$ , as shown in Figure 18, to have an additional delay. The time delay can be calculated with the EN's internal threshold, at which switching operation begins (typically 1.25V).

An external MOSFET can be added for the EN pin to be logic-controlled, as shown in Figure 19. In this case, a pull-up resistor,  $R_{EN}$ , is connected between  $V_{IN}$  and the EN pin. The MOSFET Q1 will be under logic control to pull down the EN pin. To prevent the device being enabled when  $V_{IN}$  is smaller than the  $V_{OUT}$  target level or some other desired voltage level, a resistive divider ( $R_{EN1}$  and  $R_{EN2}$ ) can be used to externally set the input under-voltage lockout threshold, as shown in Figure 20.

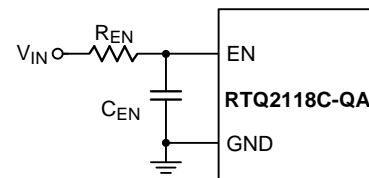


Figure 18. Enable Timing Control

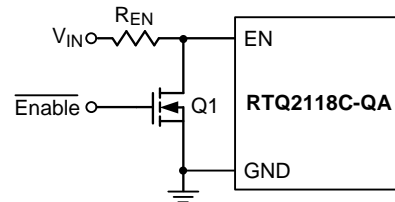


Figure 19. Logic Control for the EN Pin

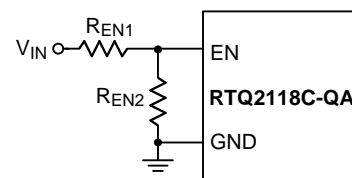


Figure 20. Resistive Divider for Under-Voltage Lockout Threshold Setting

### Soft-Start

The RTQ2118C provides adjustable soft-start function. The soft-start function is used to prevent large inrush current while converter is being powered-up. For the RTQ2118C, the soft-start timing can be programmed by the external capacitor  $C_{SS}$  between SS and GND. An internal current source  $I_{SS}$  ( $6\mu A$ ) charges an external capacitor to build a soft-start ramp voltage. The FB voltage will track the internal ramp voltage during soft start interval. The typical soft start time ( $t_{SS}$ ) which is  $V_{OUT}$  rise from zero to 90% of setting value is calculated as follows :

$$t_{SS} = C_{SS} \times \frac{0.8}{I_{SS}}$$

If a heavy load is added to the output with large capacitance, the output voltage will never enter regulation because of UVP. Thus, the device remains in hiccup operation. The  $C_{SS}$  should be large enough to ensure soft-start period ends after  $C_{OUT}$  is fully charged.

$$C_{SS} \geq C_{OUT} \times \frac{I_{SS} \times V_{OUT}}{0.8 \times I_{C_{OUT\_CHG}}}$$

where  $I_{COUT\_CHG}$  is the  $C_{OUT}$  charge current which is related to the switching frequency, inductance, high-side MOSFET switch peak current limit and load current.

## Power-Good Output

The PGOOD pin is an open-drain power-good indication output and is to be connected to an external voltage source through a pull-up resistor.

The external voltage source can be an external voltage supply below 5.5V, VCC or the output of the RTQ2118C if the output voltage is regulated under 5.5V. It is recommended to connect a 100kΩ between an external voltage source to PGOOD pin.

## Inductor Peak Current Limit Setting

The current limit of high-side MOSFET switch is adjustable by an external resistor connected to the RLIM pin. The recommended resistor value is ranging from 33kΩ (for typ. 5.5A) to 91kΩ (for typ. 2.2A) and it is recommended to use 1% tolerance or better and temperature coefficient of 100 ppm or less resistors. When the inductor current reaches the current limit threshold, the COMP voltage will be clamped to limit the inductor current. Inductor current ripple current also should be considered into current limit setting. It recommends setting the current limit minimum is 1.2 times as high as the peak inductor current. Current limit minimum value can be calculate as below :

Current limit minimum =  $(I_{OUT(MAX)} + 1 / 2 \text{ inductor current ripple}) \times 1.2$ . Through external resistor  $R_{LIM}$  connect to RLIM pin to setting the current limit value.

The current limit value below offer approximate formula equation :

$$R_{LIM}(k\Omega) = \frac{178.8}{I_{SET} - 0.2531} - 1$$

Where  $I_{SET}$  is the desire current limit value (A)

The failure modes and effects analysis (FMEA) consideration is also applied to RLIM pin setting to avoid abnormal current limit operation at failure condition. It includes failure scenarios of short-circuit to GND and the pin is left open. The inductor peak current limit will be 6.2A (typically) when the RLIM pin short to GND and 1.4A (typically) when the pin is left open. Note that the inductor peak current limit variation increases as the

tolerance of  $R_{LIM}$  resistor increases. As the  $R_{LIM}$  resistor value is small, the inductor peak current limit will probably be operated as RLIM pin short to GND, and vice versa. The  $R_{LIM}$  resistance variation range is limited from 30kΩ to 100kΩ to eliminate the undesired inductor peak current limit. When choosing a  $R_{LIM}$  other than the recommended range, please make sure that there is no problem by evaluating it with real machine.

## Synchronization

The RTQ2118C can be synchronized with an external clock ranging from 300kHz to 2.2MHz which is applied to the MODE/SYNC pin. The external clock duty cycle must be from 20% to 80% and amplitude should have valleys that are below  $V_{IL\_SYNC}$  and peaks above  $V_{IH\_SYNC}$  (up to 6V). The RTQ2118C will not enter PSM operation at light load while synchronized to an external clock, but instead will operate in FPWM to maintain regulation.

## Average Current Limit

The RTQ2118C implements Constant Current Control to achieve average current limit. The constant current of CC mode control is set by external sense resistance ( $R_{SENSE}$ ).

The average current is set according to the following equation :

$$\text{Average Current Limit} = \frac{V_{REF\_CC}}{R_{SENSE}}$$

where the reference voltage of constant current regulation  $V_{REF\_CC}$ , is 100mV (typically) and the  $V_{REF\_CC}$  variation is around  $\pm 10\%$ . The average current limit function is recommended to operate with CSP/CSN voltages range from 3.3 V to 6V.

## Adjustable Output Voltage with Cable Drop

### Compensation

The RTQ2118C provides cable drop compensation function at CV regulation. If the trace from the RTQ2118C output terminator to the load is too long, there will be a voltage drop on the long trace which is variable with load current. The RTQ2118C is capable of compensating the output voltage drop to keep a constant voltage at load, whatever the load current is.

The compensation voltage ( $V_{O\_OFFSET}$ ) is based on cable drop compensation current ( $I_{LC}$ ) and divide upper side resistor R1, which can be calculated as following formula :

$$V_{O\_OFFSET} = I_{LC} \times R1$$

The cable drop compensation current variation is  $\pm 10\%$ , and it is a function of current sense voltage ( $V_{CS}$ ) :

$$I_{LC} (\mu A) = 21 \times (V_{CS} - 0.00476)$$

where current sense voltage is the voltage difference between CSP and CSN, that is the voltage across a current sense resistor ( $R_{SENSE}$ ). The Figure 21 shows the relationship between cable drop compensation current ( $I_{LC}$ ) and  $V_{SENSE}$ .

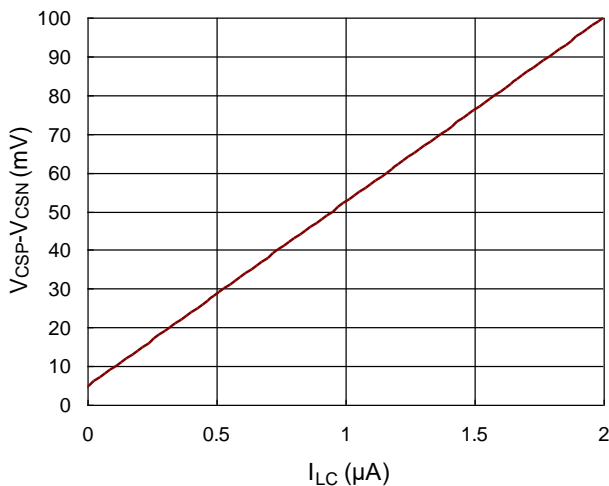


Figure 21.  $I_{LC}$  vs.  $V_{CSP} - V_{CSN}$

According to the formula above, the desired compensation voltage which is set at rated output current can be calculated as below

$$V_{O\_OFFSET} = 21 \times (R_{SENSE} \times I_{OUT} - 0.00476) \times 10^{-6} \times R1$$

Where  $I_{OUT}$  is the rated output current.

Choose the  $R_{SENSE}$  with rated load current and reserve some de-rating margin for better thermal and life consideration. In order to avoid the undesired CC control loop interruption, the current sense voltage is selected should be the lower value of 100mV. If the system implements constant current control to achieve average current limit, the  $R_{SENSE}$  is set based on the

average current limit equation.

Considering CV regulation with cable drop compensation situation, the desire cable drop compensation is 0.24V at rated 2.4A loading and  $R_{SENSE}$  is selected as 34mΩ, the R1 can be calculated as below :

$$R1 = \frac{V_{O\_OFFSET}}{21 \times (R_{SENSE} \times I_{OUT} - 0.00476) \times 10^{-6}} = 148.7k\Omega$$

Select 147kΩ for R1. The resistance of R2 can then be obtained as below :

$$R2 = \frac{R1 \times V_{REF\_CV}}{V_{OUT} - V_{REF\_CV}} = 28k\Omega$$

In this case, 147kΩ is available for resistance of R1 and 28kΩ is available for resistance of R2. The R1 and R2 values can be calculated based on above equation. If the R1 and R2 values are too high, the regulator will be more susceptible to noise and voltage errors from the FB input current will be noticeable. Make sure the current flowing through the FB resistive divider is larger than  $5 \times 10^{-6}$ . In addition, a feed-forward capacitor  $C_{FF}$  may be required to improve output voltage ripple at PSM.

The power dissipation on sensing resistor will be :

$$P_{R_{SENSE}} = R_{SENSE} \times I_{OUT}^2 = 306mW$$

Choose current sense resistor power rated with 50% de-rating rule of thumb for better heat and life consideration, 1W size is well enough for this case. Hence, the 34mΩ, 1W size  $R_{SENSE}$  is determined and with aid of the cable drop compensation feature, the RTQ2118C can compensate the 0.24V voltage drop to maintain excellent output voltage accuracy at rated 2.4A load current. Note that the  $R_{SENSE}$  should be connected as close to the CSP/CSN with short, direct traces, creating Kelvin connection to ensure that noise and current sense voltage errors do not corrupt the differential current sense signals between the CS and VOUT pins. The cable drop compensation function is recommended to operate with CSP/CSN voltages range from 3.3 V to 6V.

## Configuration Channel and Plug Orientation Detection

The function of the Configuration Channel (CC) is to detect connections and configure the interface across the USB Type-C cables and connectors as shown in Table 1.

Functionally the Configuration Channel (CC) is used to serve the following purposes :

- ▶ Attach/Detach detection
- ▶ Plug orientation and cable twist detection to establish USB data bus routing
- ▶ Establish DFP and UFP roles between two connected ports
- ▶ Discover and configure power
- ▶ If UFP is attached by Type-C connector, the device turns on external VBUS MOSFET to apply

**Table 1. Shows RTQ2118C Response to Various Attachments**

RTQ2118C Type-C Detection	CC1	CC2	VBUS	VCONN on CC1 or CC2
Un-attached	OPEN	OPEN	OFF	NO
UFP Attached	RD	OPEN	ON	NO
	OPEN	RD	ON	NO
Only Power Cable Attached	RA	OPEN	OFF	NO
	OPEN	RA	OFF	NO
Power Cable & UFP Attached	RD	RA	ON	CC2
	RA	RD	ON	CC1
Debug Accessory (Not Support)	RD	RD	--	--
Audio Adapter Accessory (Not Support)	RA	RA	--	--

## DCP Auto Mode

The DCP Auto Mode only provides power but does not support data connection to an upstream port. The RTQ2118C integrates an auto-detect state machine that supports all the DCP charging schemes listed below :

- ▶ Shorted
- ▶ Divider 3
- ▶ 1.2V shorted

Shorted mode complies with BC1.2 DCP and Chinese Telecommunications Industry Standard YD/T 1591-2009, defining that the D+/D- data lines should be shorted together with a maximum series impedance of 200Ω.

In Divider3 charging scheme the device applies 2.7V/2.7V to D+/D- data lines.

1.2V shorted charging scheme applies 1.2V to the shorted D+/D- data lines.

The DCP auto mode starts in Divider 3 Mode, however if a BC1.2 or YD/T 1591-2009 compliant device is attached, it responds by operating in BC1.2 shorted mode briefly then moves to 1.2V shorted mode.

## Thermal Considerations

In many applications, the RTQ2118C does not generate much heat due to its high efficiency and low thermal resistance of its WETD-VQFN-40L 6x6 package. However, in applications in which the RTQ2118C is running at a high ambient temperature and high input voltage or high switching frequency, the generated heat may exceed the maximum junction temperature of the part.

The junction temperature should never exceed the absolute maximum junction temperature  $T_{J(MAX)}$ , listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings, to avoid permanent



damage to the device. If the junction temperature reaches approximately 175°C, the RTQ2118C stop switching the power MOSFETs until the temperature drops about 15°C cooler.

The maximum power dissipation can be calculated by the following formula :

$$P_{D(MAX)} = (T_{J(MAX)} - T_A) / \theta_{JA(EFFECTIVE)}$$

where  $T_{J(MAX)}$  is the maximum allowed junction temperature of the die. For recommended operating condition specifications, the maximum junction temperature is 125°C.  $T_A$  is the ambient operating temperature,  $\theta_{JA(EFFECTIVE)}$  is the system-level junction to ambient thermal resistance. It can be estimated from thermal modeling or measurements in the system.

The device thermal resistance depends strongly on the surrounding PCB layout and can be improved by providing a heat sink of surrounding copper ground. The addition of backside copper with thermal vias, stiffeners, and other enhancements can also help reduce thermal resistance.

Experiments in the Richtek thermal lab show that simply set  $\theta_{JA(EFFECTIVE)}$  as 110% to 120% of the  $\theta_{JA}$  is reasonable to obtain the allowed  $P_{D(MAX)}$ .

As an example, consider the case when the RTQ2118C is used in applications where  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 2.4A$ ,  $f_{sw} = 2100kHz$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 5V$ . The efficiency at 5V, 2.4A is 89% by using Cynotec-VCHA075D-2R2MS6 (2.2μH, 9.5mΩ DCR) as the inductor and measured at room temperature. The core loss can be obtained from its website of 18.8mW in this case. In this case, the power dissipation of the RTQ2118C is

$$P_{D, RT} = \frac{1-\eta}{\eta} \times P_{OUT} - \left( I_O^2 \times DCR + P_{CORE} \right) = 1.41W$$

Considering the  $\theta_{JA(EFFECTIVE)}$  is 50°C/W by using the RTQ2118C evaluation board with 4 layers PCB, 1OZ for all layers. The junction temperature of the regulator operating in a 25°C ambient temperature is approximately :

$$T_J = 1.41W \times 50^\circ C/W + 25^\circ C = 95.5^\circ C$$

Figure 22 shows the RTQ2118C  $R_{DS(ON)}$  versus different junction temperature. If the application calls for a higher ambient temperature, we might recalculate the device power dissipation and the junction temperature

based on a higher  $R_{DS(ON)}$  since it increases with temperature.

Using 50°C ambient temperature as an example, the change of the equivalent  $R_{DS(ON)}$  can be obtained from Figure 22 and yields a new power dissipation of 1.467W. Therefore, the estimated new junction temperature is

$$T_J' = 1.467W \times 50^\circ C/W + 50^\circ C = 123.3^\circ C$$

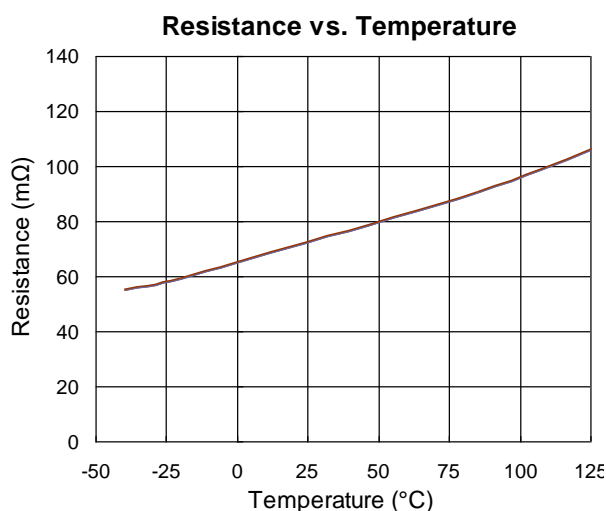


Figure 22. Resistance Variation Curve at Different Temperature

### Layout Considerations

When laying out the printed circuit board, the following checklist should be used to ensure proper operation of the RTQ2118C :

- ▶ Four-layer or six-layer PCB with maximum ground plane is strongly recommended for good thermal performance.
- ▶ Keep the traces of the main current paths wide and short.
- ▶ Place high frequency decoupling capacitor  $C_{IN3}$  as close as possible to the IC to reduce the loop impedance and minimize switch node ringing.
- ▶ Place the  $C_{VCC}$  as close to VCC pin as possible.
- ▶ Place bootstrap capacitor,  $C_{BOOT}$ , as close to IC as possible. Routing the trace with width of 20mil or wider.
- ▶ Place multiple vias under the device near VIN and PGND and near input capacitors to reduce parasitic

inductance and improve thermal performance. To keep thermal resistance low, extend the ground plane as much as possible, and add thermal vias under and near the RTQ2118C to additional ground planes within the circuit board and on the bottom side.

- ▶ The high frequency switching nodes, SW and BOOT, should be as small as possible. Keep analog components away from the SW and BOOT nodes.
- ▶ Reducing the area size of the SW exposed copper to reduce the electrically coupling from this voltage.

- ▶ Connect the feedback sense network behind via of output capacitor.
- ▶ Place the feedback components near the IC.
- ▶ Place the compensation components near the IC.
- ▶ Connect all analog grounds to common node and then connect the common node to the power ground with a single point.
- ▶ Minimize current sense voltage errors by using Kelvin connection for PCB routing of the CSP pin, CSN pin and current sense resistor (RSENSE).

Figure 23 to Figure 26 are the layout example.

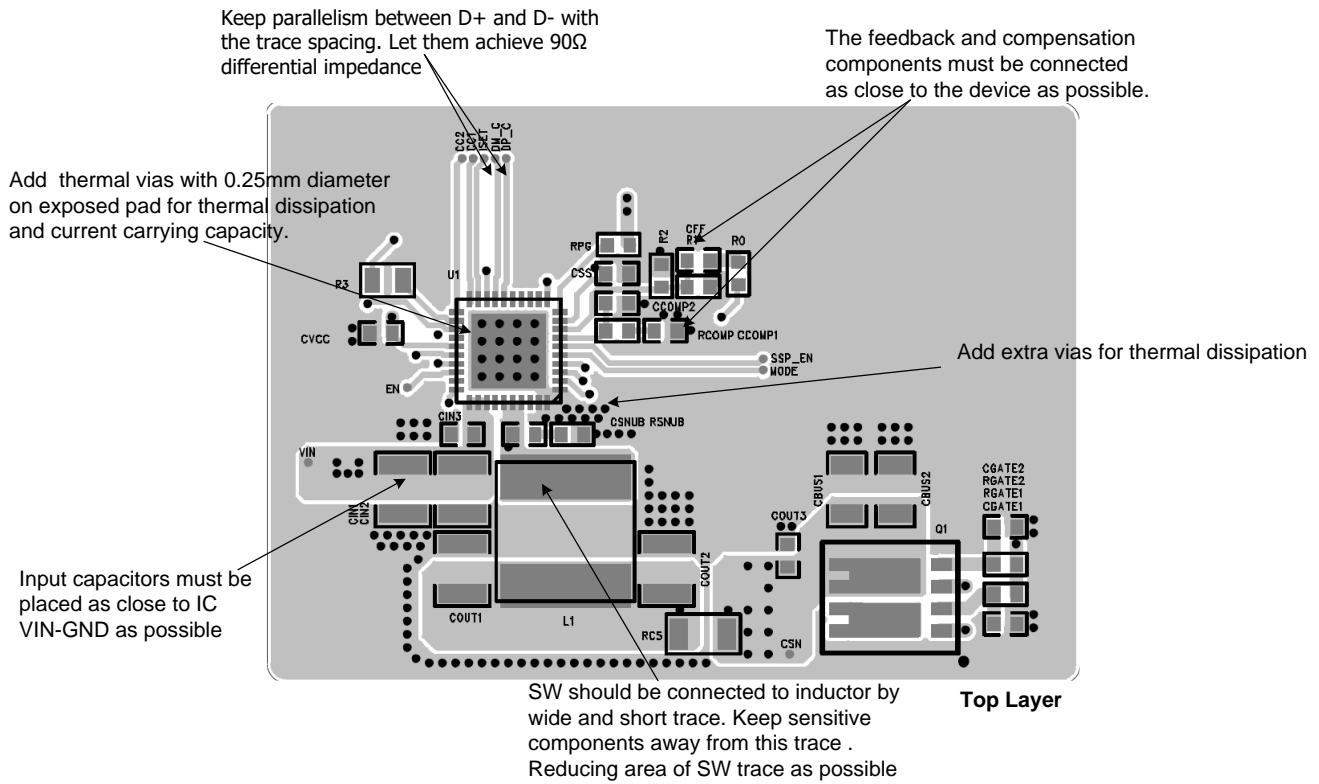


Figure 23. Layout Guide (Top Layer)

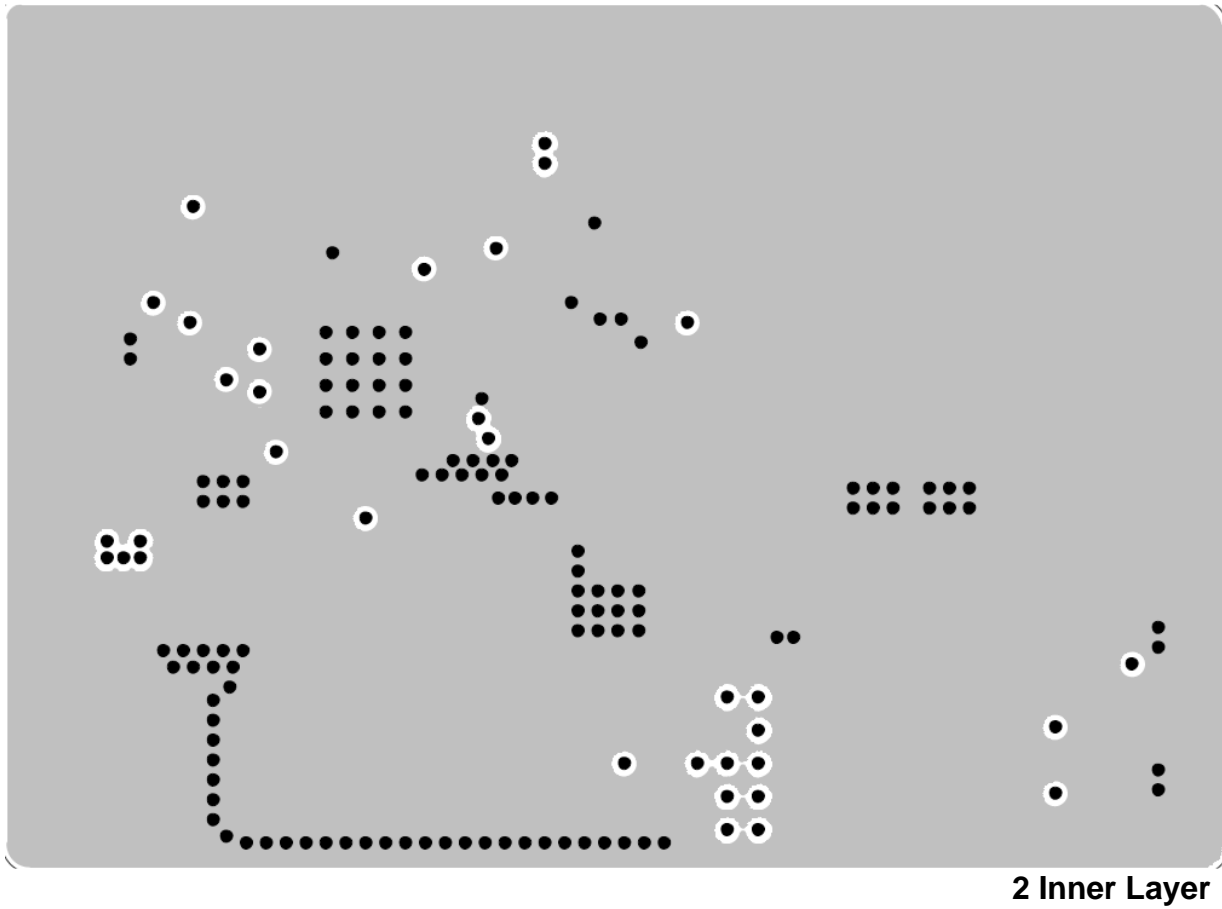


Figure 24. Layout Guide (2 Inner Layer)

Minimize current sense voltage errors by using Kelvin connection for PCB routing of the CSP/CSN and current sense resistor ( $R_{SENSE}$ ).

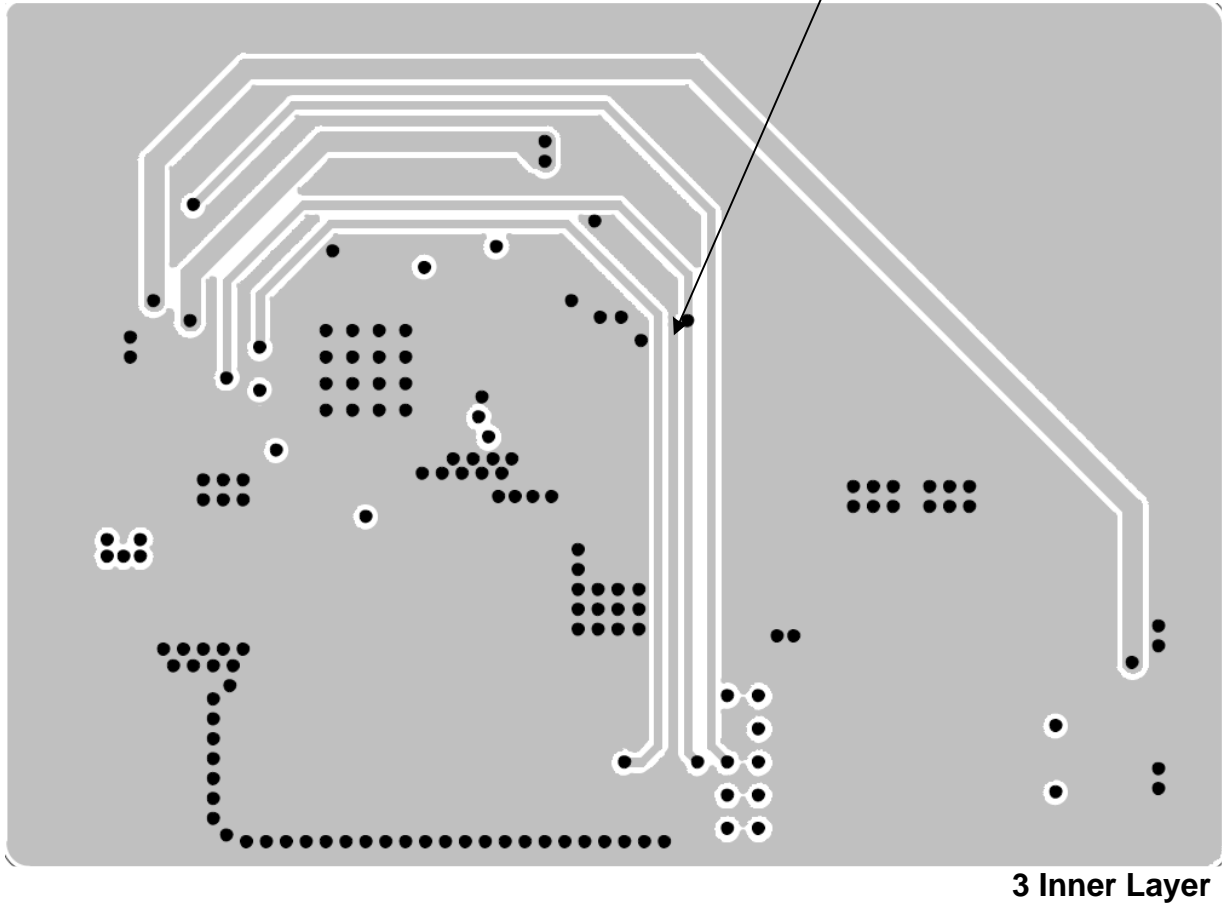


Figure 25. Layout Guide (3 Inner Layer)

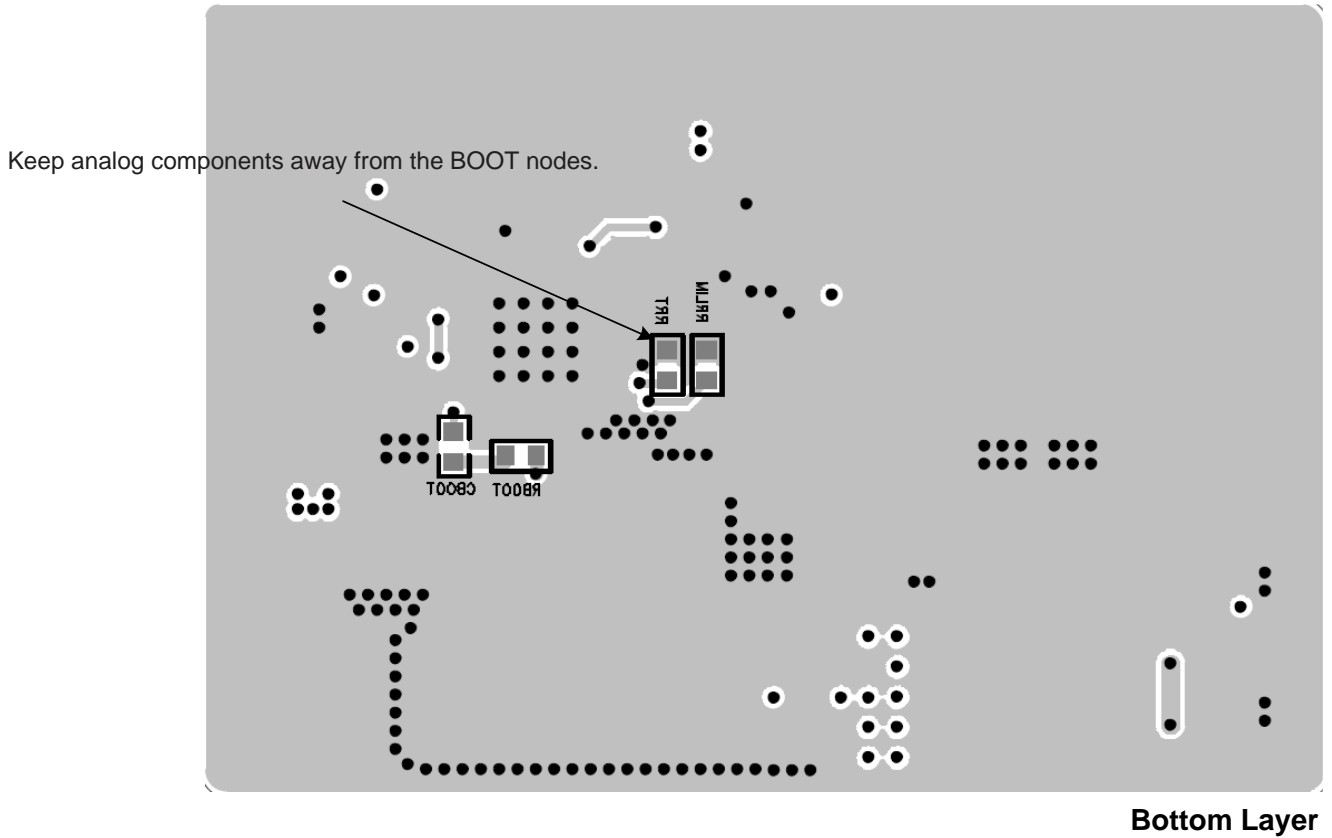
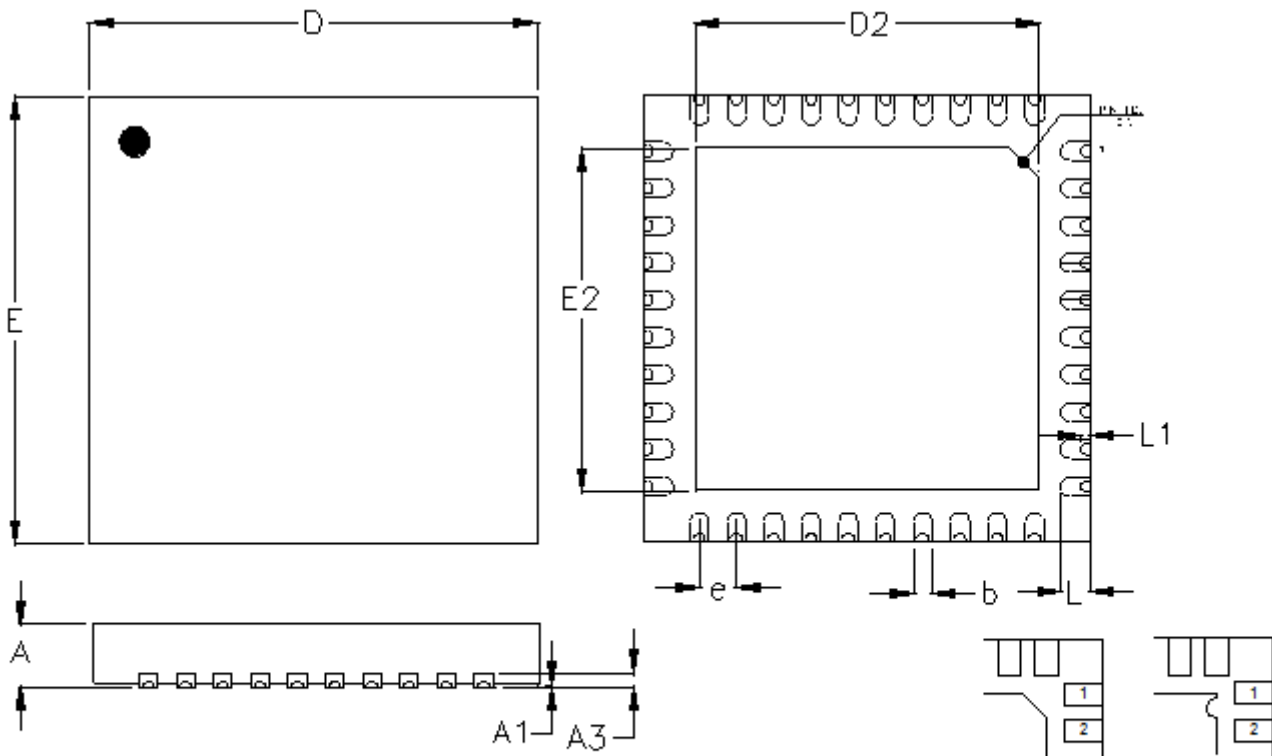


Figure 26. Layout Guide (Bottom Layer)

**Outline Dimension**



**DETAIL A**

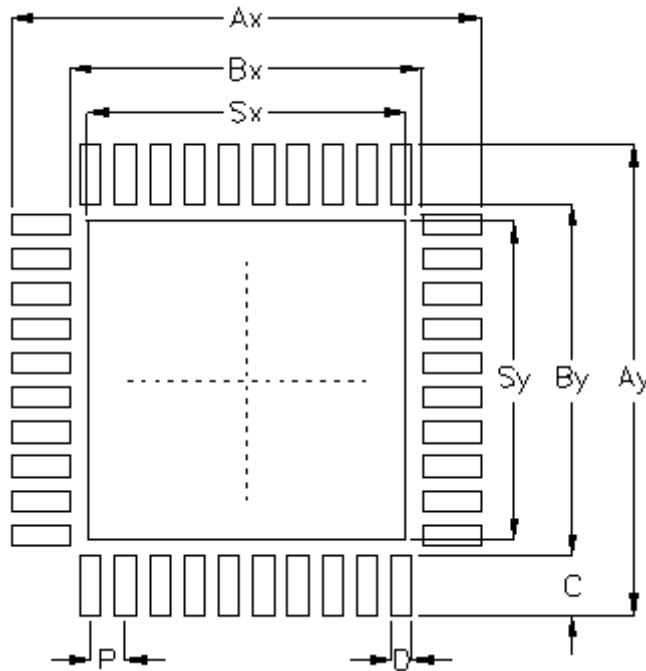
Pin #1 ID and Tie Bar Mark Options

Note : The configuration of the Pin #1 identifier is optional, but must be located within the zone indicated.

Symbol	Dimensions In Millimeters		Dimensions In Inches	
	Min	Max	Min	Max
A	0.800	1.000	0.031	0.039
A1	0.000	0.050	0.000	0.002
A3	0.175	0.250	0.007	0.010
b	0.180	0.300	0.007	0.012
D	5.950	6.050	0.234	0.238
D2	4.550	4.650	0.179	0.183
E	5.950	6.050	0.234	0.238
E2	4.550	4.650	0.179	0.183
e	0.500		0.020	
L	0.350	0.450	0.014	0.018
L1	0.075	0.175	0.003	0.007

**WETD V-Type 40L QFN 6x6 Package**

## Footprint Information

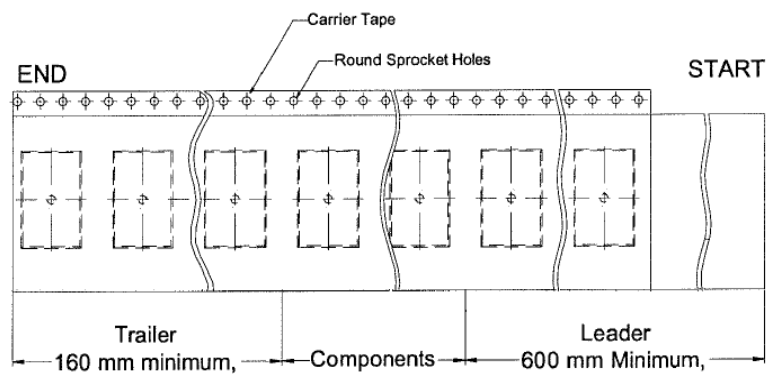
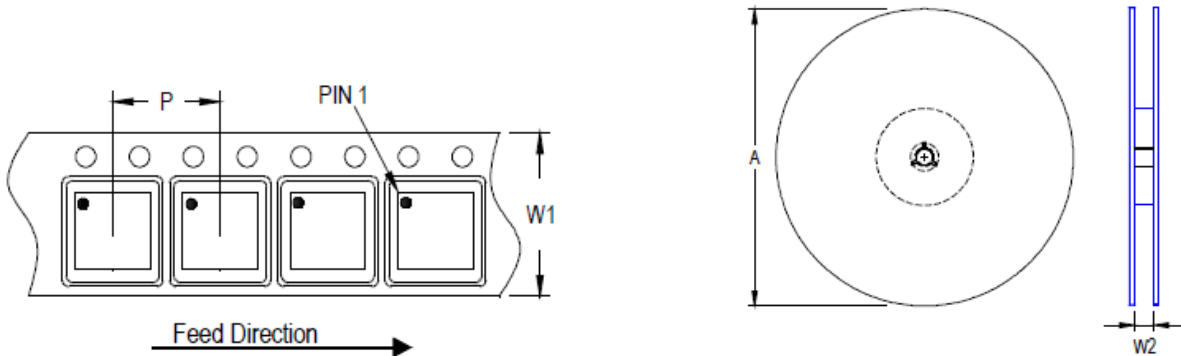


Package	Number of Pin	Footprint Dimension (mm)									Tolerance
		P	Ax	Ay	Bx	By	C	D	Sx	Sy	
WETD-V/W/U/XQFN6x6-40	40	0.50	6.80	6.80	5.10	5.10	0.85	0.30	4.60	4.60	±0.05

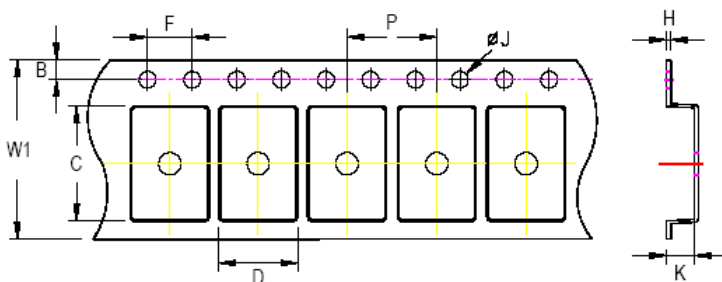


**Packing Information**

**Tape and Reel Data**









Package Type	Tape Size (W1) (mm)	Pocket Pitch (P) (mm)	Reel Size (A)		Units per Reel	Trailer (mm)	Leader (mm)	Reel Width (W2) Min./Max. (mm)
			(mm)	(in)				
QFN/DFN 6x6	16	12	330	13	3,500	160	600	16.4/18.4



**C, D and K are determined by component size.**  
**The clearance between the components and the cavity is as follows:**  
**- For 16mm carrier tape: 1.0mm max.**

Tape Size	W1		P		B		F		ØJ		H
	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Max.	
16mm	16.3mm	11.9mm	12.1mm	1.65mm	1.85mm	3.9mm	4.1mm	1.5mm	1.6mm	0.6mm	

## Tape and Reel Packing

Step	Photo/Description	Step	Photo/Description
1	 <p>Reel 13"</p>	4	 <p>1 reel per inner box <b>Box G</b></p>
2	 <p>HIC &amp; Desiccant (2 Unit) inside</p>	5	 <p>6 inner boxes per outer box</p>
3	 <p>Caution label is on backside of Al bag</p>	6	 <p>Outer box <b>Carton A</b></p>

Package \ Container	Reel		Box				Carton		
	Size	Units	Item	Weight(kg)	Reels	Units	Item	Boxes	Units
QFN and DFN 6x6	13"	3,500	Box G	1.11	1	3,500	Carton A	6	21,000

**Packing Material Anti-ESD Property**

Surface Resistance	Aluminum Bag	Reel	Cover tape	Carrier tape	Tube	Protection Band
$\Omega/\text{cm}^2$	$10^4$ to $10^{11}$	$10^4$ to $10^{11}$	$10^4$ to $10^{11}$	$10^4$ to $10^{11}$	$10^4$ to $10^{11}$	$10^4$ to $10^{11}$

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