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MPQ2171

5.5V, 1A, 2.6MHz,
Synchronous, Step-Down Converter
AEC-Q100 Qualified

DESCRIPTION

The MPQ2171 is a monolithic, step-down, switch-mode converter with integrated, internal, power MOSFETs. The MPQ2171 can achieve up to 1A of continuous output current from a 2.5V to 5.5V input voltage with excellent load and line regulation. The output voltage can be regulated as low as 0.6V.

Constant-on-time (COT) control provides fast transient response and eases loop stabilization. Full protection features include cycle-by-cycle current limiting and thermal shutdown.

The MPQ2171 is ideal for a wide range of applications, including automotive infotainment, clusters, telematics, and portable instruments.

The MPQ2171 requires only a minimal number of readily available, standard, external components and is available in a small TSOT23-8 package.

FEATURES

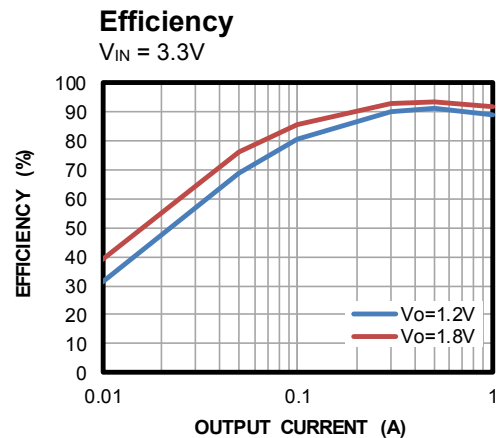
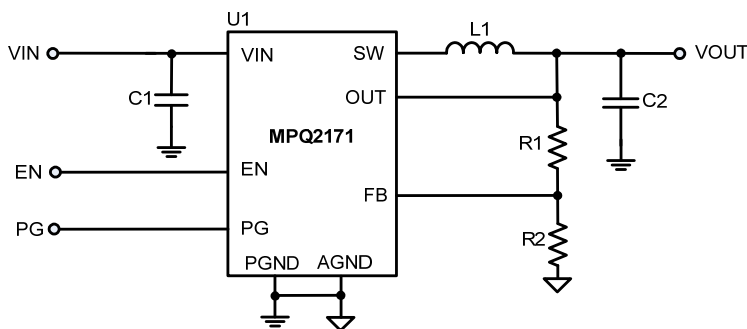
- Wide 2.5V to 5.5V Operating Input Range
- Output Voltage as Low as 0.6V
- 100% Duty Cycle in Dropout
- Up to 1A Output Current
- 90mΩ and 50mΩ Internal Power MOSFET Switches
- Default 2.6MHz Switching Frequency with 3.3V Input and 1.8V Output
- EN and Power Good for Power Sequencing
- Cycle-by-Cycle Over-Current Protection (OCP)
- Auto-Discharge at Power-Off
- Short-Circuit Protection (SCP) with Hiccup Mode
- Stable with Low ESR Output Ceramic Capacitors
- Available in a TSOT23-8 Package
- Available in AEC-Q100 Grade 1

APPLICATIONS

- Automotive Infotainment
- Automotive Clusters
- Automotive Telematics
- Low-Voltage I/O System Power
- Handheld/Battery-Powered Systems

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TYPICAL APPLICATION



ORDERING INFORMATION

| Part Number * | Package | Top Marking |
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| MPQ2171GJ-AEC1 | | |

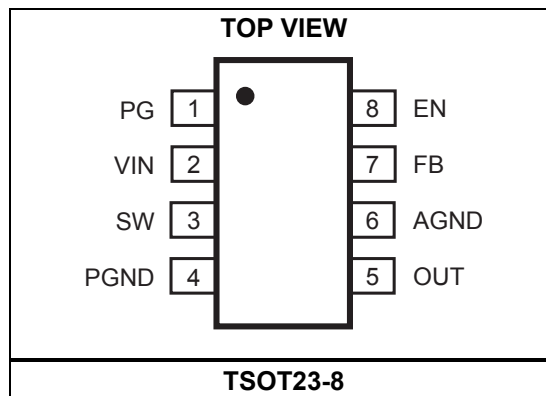
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TOP MARKING

| BAZY

BAZ: Product code of MPQ2171GJ & MPQ2171GJ-AEC1
 Y: Year code

PACKAGE REFERENCE



ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS ⁽¹⁾

Supply voltage (V_{IN}) 6V
 V_{SW} -0.3V (-5V for <10ns)
 to $V_{IN} + 0.3V$ (8V for <10ns)
 All other pins -0.3V to +6V
 Junction temperature 150°C
 Lead temperature 260°C
 Continuous power dissipation ($T_A = 25^\circ C$) ⁽²⁾
 1.25W
 Storage temperature -65°C to +150°C

Recommended Operating Conditions ⁽³⁾

Supply voltage (V_{IN}) 2.5V to 5.5V
 Output voltage (V_{OUT}) 0.6V to $V_{IN} - 0.5V$
 Operating junction temp. (T_J) -40°C to +125°C

Thermal Resistance ⁽⁴⁾ θ_{JA} θ_{JC}
 TSOT23-8 100 55 ... °C/W

NOTES:

- Exceeding these ratings may damage the device.
- The maximum allowable power dissipation is a function of the maximum junction temperature T_J (MAX), the junction-to-ambient thermal resistance θ_{JA} , and the ambient temperature T_A . The maximum allowable continuous power dissipation at any ambient temperature is calculated by P_D (MAX) = $(T_J$ (MAX) - T_A) / θ_{JA} . Exceeding the maximum allowable power dissipation produces an excessive die temperature, causing the device to go into thermal shutdown. Internal thermal shutdown circuitry protects the device from permanent damage.
- The device is not guaranteed to function outside of its operating conditions.
- Measured on JESD51-7, 4-layer PCB.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

$V_{IN} = 5V$, $T_J = -40^{\circ}C$ to $+125^{\circ}C$, unless otherwise noted, typical values are at $T_J = +25^{\circ}C$.

| Parameter | Symbol | Condition | Min | Typ | Max | Units |
|--|----------------|---|------|------|------|------------|
| Quiescent current | I_Q | $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{EN} = 2V$, $V_{FB} = 0.63V$, no switching | | 520 | 720 | μA |
| Supply current (shutdown) | I_{SHDN} | $V_{EN} = 0V$, $T_J = +25^{\circ}C$ | | 0.1 | 2 | μA |
| | | $V_{EN} = 0V$, $T_J = -40^{\circ}C$ to $+125^{\circ}C$ | | 0.1 | 35 | |
| Feedback voltage | V_{FB} | $T_J = +25^{\circ}C$ | 591 | 600 | 609 | mV |
| | | $T_J = -40^{\circ}C$ to $+125^{\circ}C$ | 588 | 600 | 612 | |
| Feedback current | I_{FB} | $V_{FB} = 0.63V$ | | 10 | 100 | nA |
| P-FET switch on resistance | $R_{DS(on)_P}$ | | | 90 | 135 | m Ω |
| N-FET switch on resistance | $R_{DS(on)_N}$ | | | 50 | 83 | m Ω |
| Switch leakage | | $V_{EN} = 0V$, $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{SW} = 0V$ and $5V$, $T_J = +25^{\circ}C$ | | 0.1 | 2 | μA |
| | | $V_{EN} = 0V$, $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{SW} = 0V$ and $5V$, $T_J = -40^{\circ}C$ to $+125^{\circ}C$ | | 0.1 | 35 | |
| P-FET current limit | | $T_J = +25^{\circ}C$ | 3 | 4 | 6 | A |
| On time | t_{ON} | $V_{IN} = 3.3V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.2V$ | 135 | 150 | 180 | ns |
| | | $V_{IN} = 3.3V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.8V$ | 190 | 210 | 270 | |
| | | $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.2V$ | 95 | 110 | 130 | |
| | | $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.8V$ | 130 | 150 | 190 | |
| Switching frequency | f_s | $V_{IN} = 3.3V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.2V$ | 1850 | 2400 | 2700 | kHz |
| | | $V_{IN} = 3.3V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.8V$ | 2000 | 2600 | 2800 | |
| | | $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.2V$ | 1850 | 2200 | 2500 | |
| | | $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.8V$ | 1850 | 2380 | 2700 | |
| Minimum off time | $t_{MIN-OFF}$ | $V_{IN} = 3.3V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.2V$ | | 60 | 90 | ns |
| | | $V_{IN} = 3.3V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.8V$ | | | | |
| | | $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.2V$ | | 30 | 50 | ns |
| | | $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.8V$ | | | | |
| Soft-start time ⁽⁵⁾ | t_{SS-ON} | $V_{IN} = 3.6V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.5V$, 10% to 90% | 0.6 | 1.3 | 2.2 | ms |
| Soft-stop time ⁽⁵⁾ | t_{SS-OFF} | $V_{IN} = 3.6V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.5V$, 90% to 10% | 0.4 | 0.9 | 1.6 | ms |
| Power good upper trip threshold rising | PG_{H-R} | FB rising when PG turns to high voltage | 110 | 115 | 120 | % |
| Power good upper trip threshold falling | PG_{H-F} | FB falling when PG turns to high voltage | 105 | 110 | 115 | % |
| Power good upper trip hysteresis | PG_{H-Hys} | | | 5 | | % |
| Power good lower trip threshold rising | PG_{L-R} | FB rising when PG turns to high voltage | 85 | 90 | 95 | % |
| Power good lower trip Threshold falling | PG_{L-F} | FB falling when PG turns to high voltage | 80 | 85 | 90 | % |
| Power good lower trip hysteresis | PG_{L-Hys} | | | 5 | | % |

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

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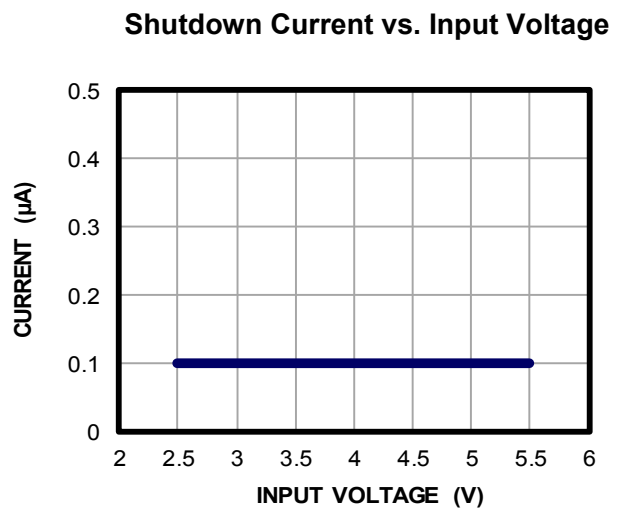
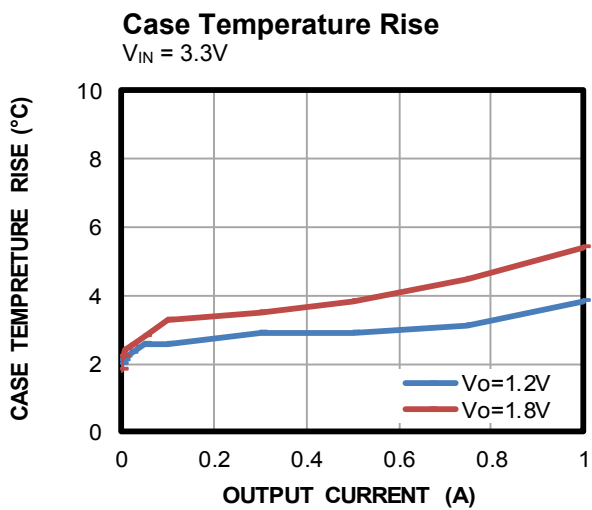
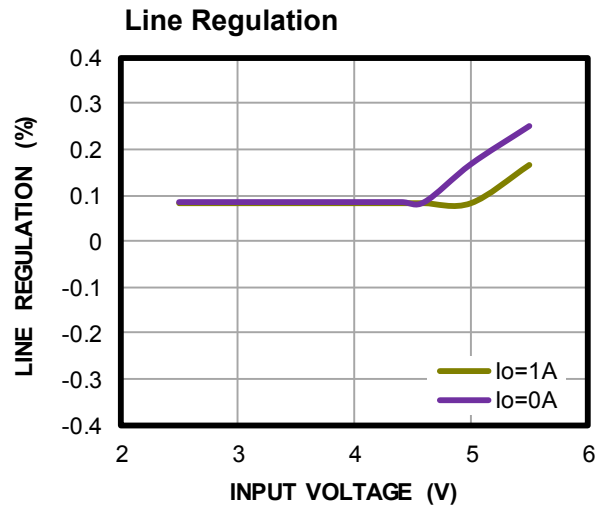
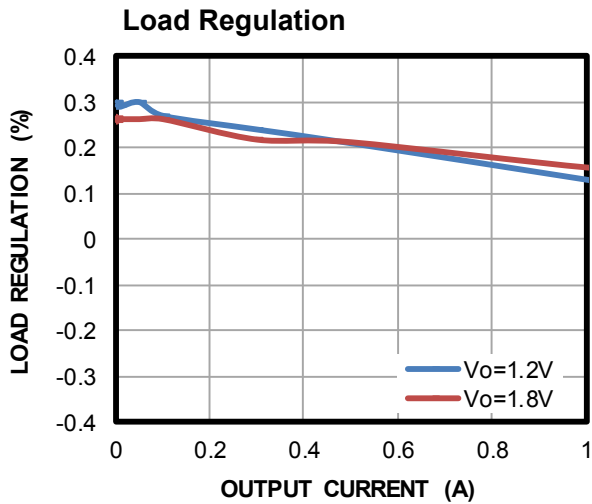
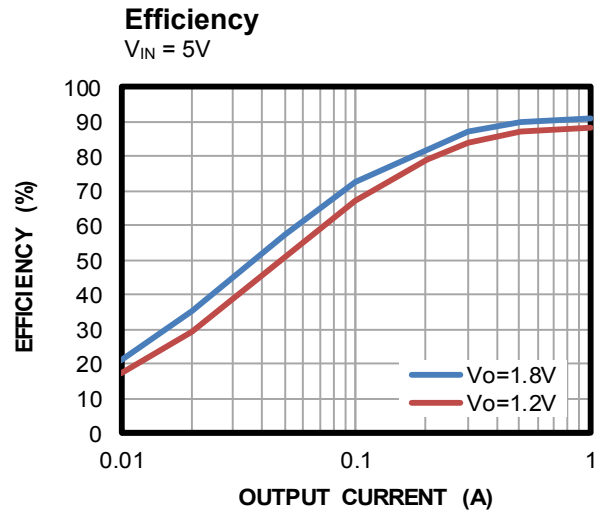
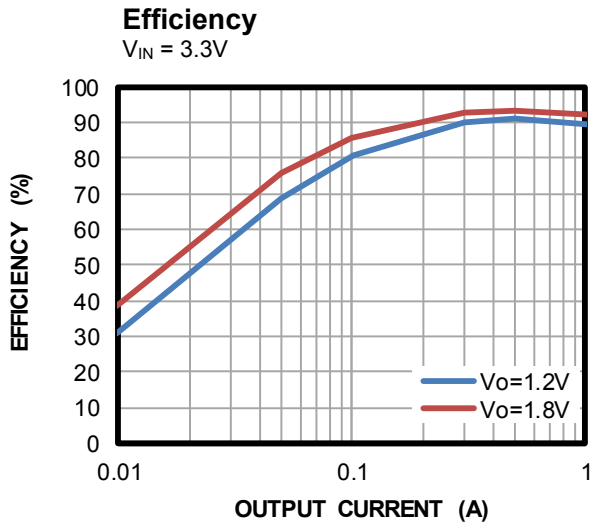
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|--|-------------------|---------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-------|
| Power good delay | PG _D | | 30 | 110 | 200 | μs |
| Power good sink current capability | V _{PG-L} | Sink 1mA | | 250 | 400 | mV |
| Power good logic high voltage | V _{PG-H} | $V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{FB} = 0.6V$ | 4.85 | | | V |
| Power good internal pull-up resistor | R _{PG} | | 200 | 500 | 800 | kΩ |
| Under-voltage lockout threshold rising | | | 2.0 | 2.2 | 2.4 | V |
| Under-voltage lockout threshold hysteresis | | | | 150 | | mV |
| EN input logic low voltage | | | | | 0.4 | V |
| EN input logic high voltage | | | 1.2 | | | V |
| EN input current | | $V_{EN} = 0V$ | | 0.1 | 0.2 | μA |
| | | $V_{EN} = 2V$ | | 2 | 4 | μA |
| Thermal shutdown ⁽⁵⁾ | | | | 170 | | °C |
| Thermal hysteresis ⁽⁵⁾ | | | | 30 | | °C |

NOTE:

5) Not tested in production and guaranteed by design and characterization.

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

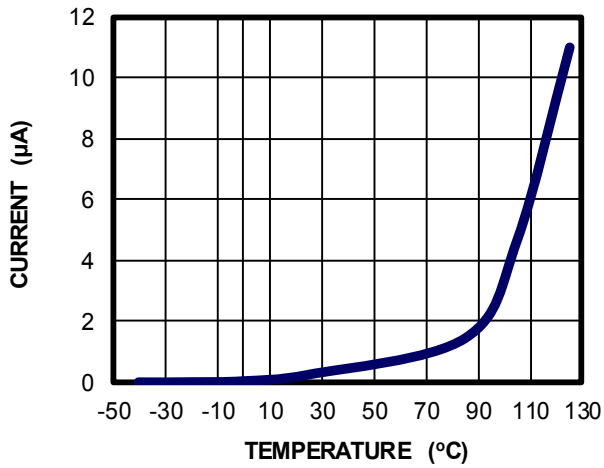
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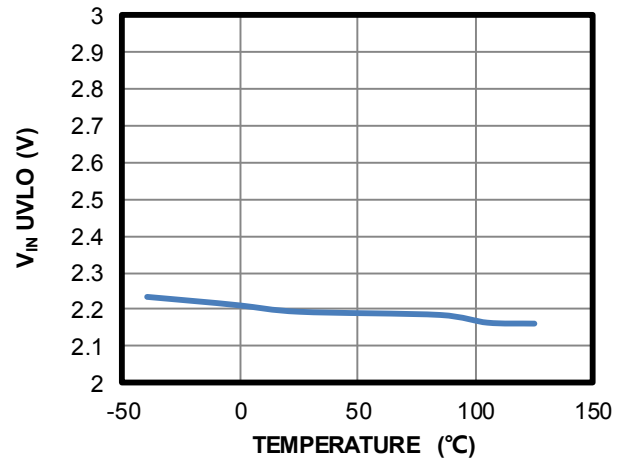
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Shutdown Current vs. Temperature



V_{IN} UVLO vs. Temperature

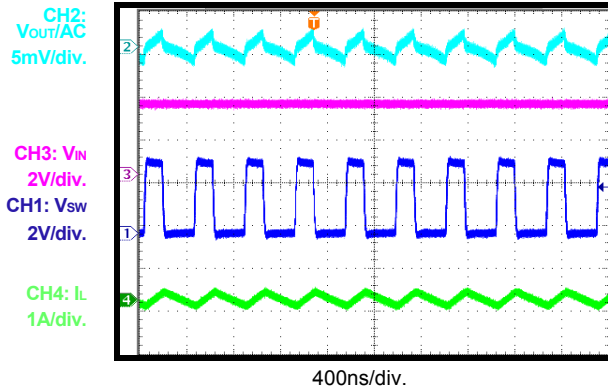


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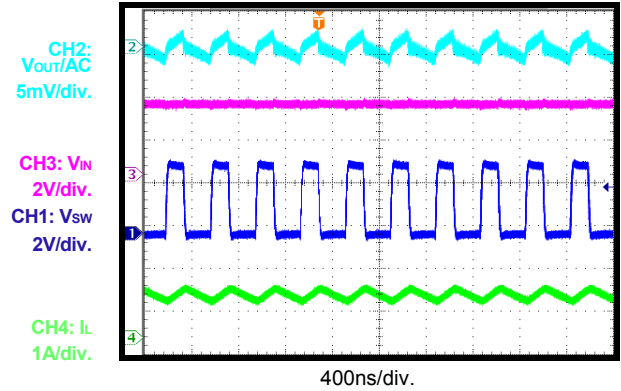
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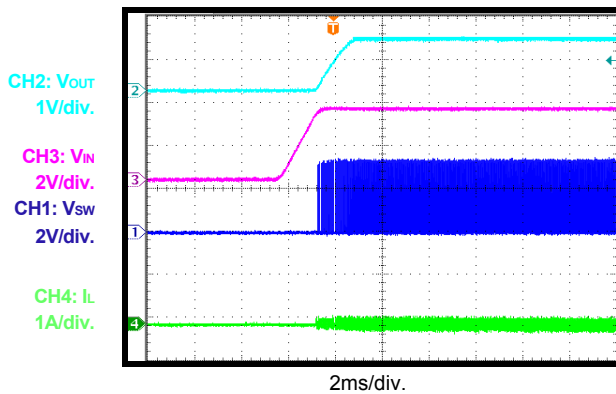
Output Ripple

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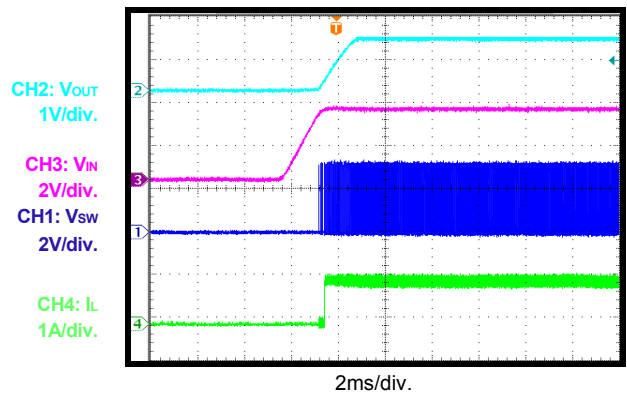
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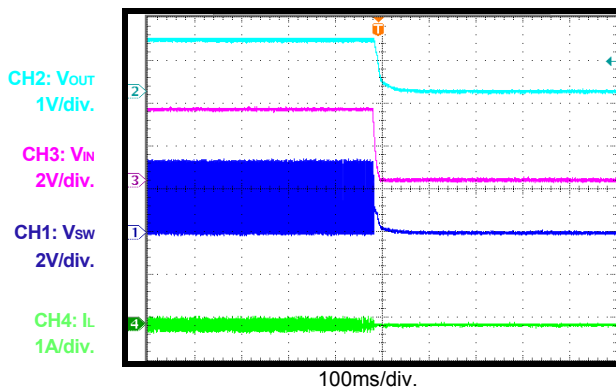
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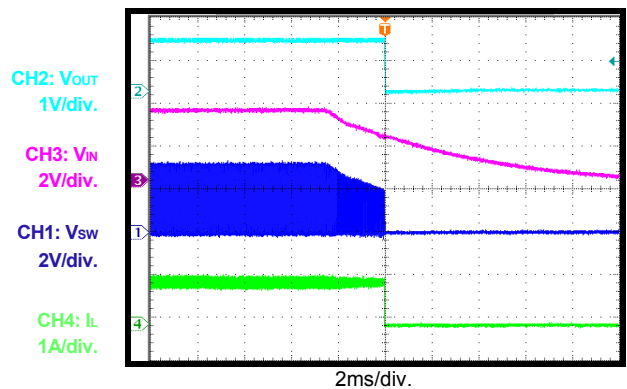
Shutdown through V_{IN}

$I_{OUT} = 0A$



Shutdown through V_{IN}

$I_{OUT} = 1A$

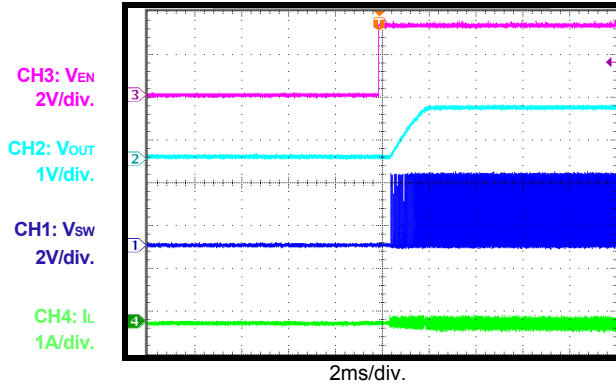


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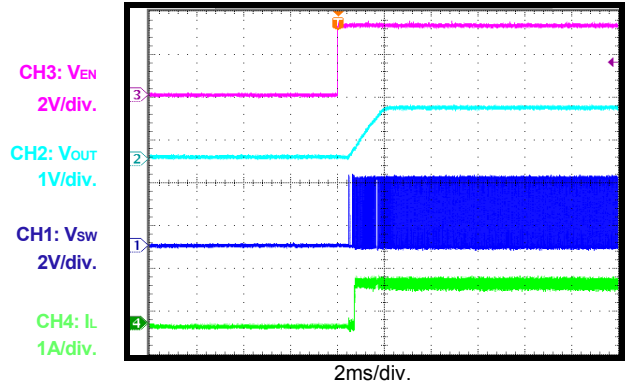
Start-Up through EN

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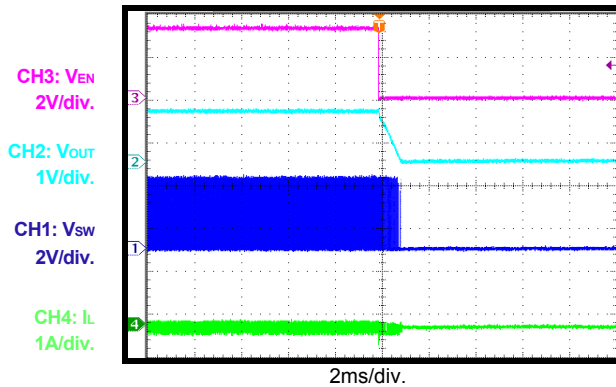
Start-Up through EN

$I_{OUT} = 1A$



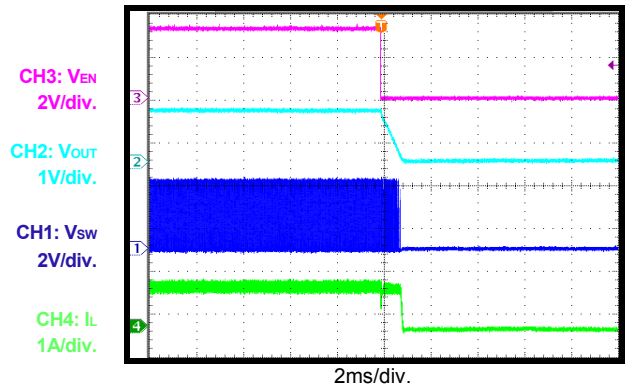
Shutdown through EN

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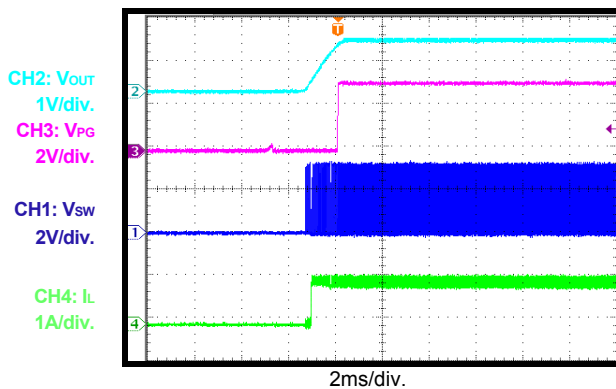
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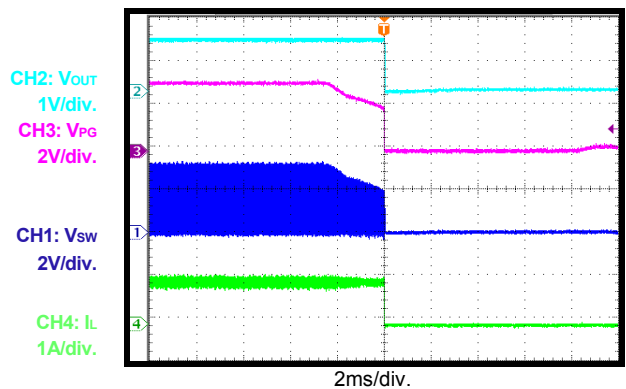
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$I_{OUT} = 1A$



PG in Shutdown through VIN

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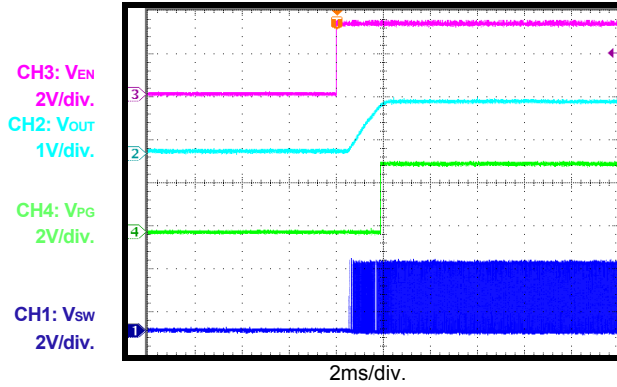


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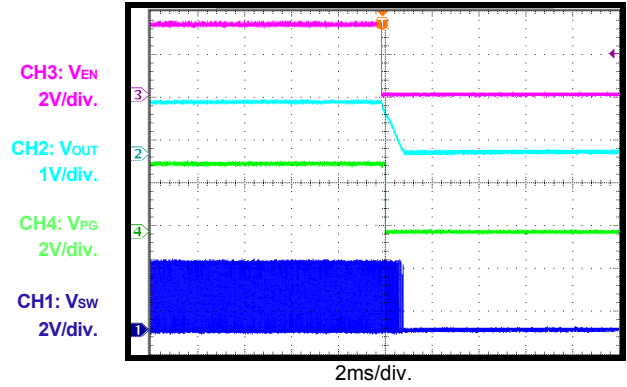
PG in Start-Up through EN

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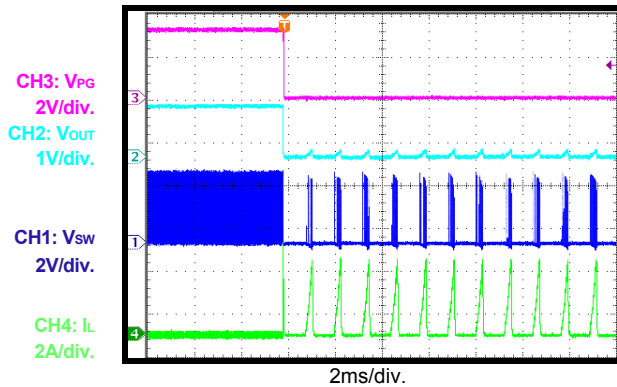
PG in Shutdown through EN

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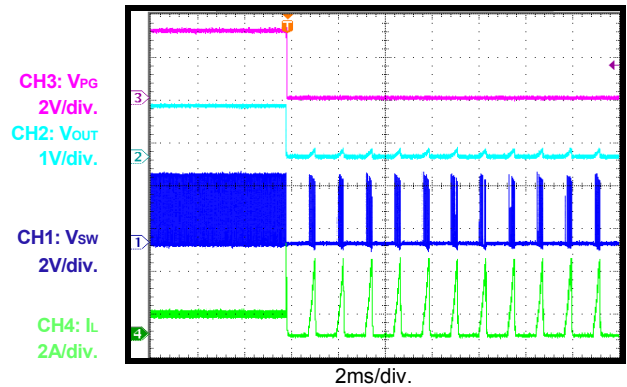
SCP Entry

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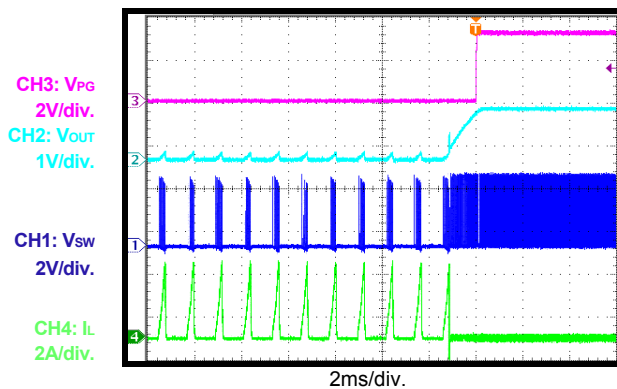
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$I_{OUT} = 1A$



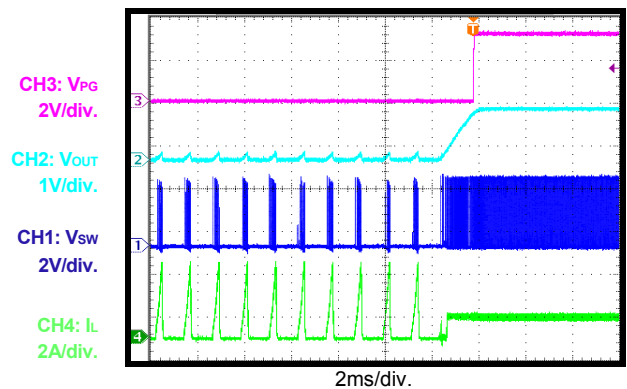
SCP Recovery

$I_{OUT} = 0A$



SCP Recovery

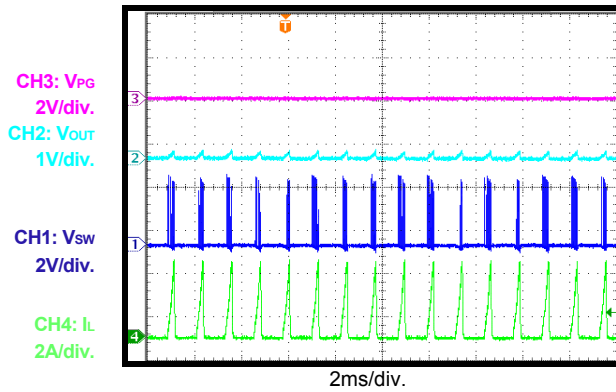
$I_{OUT} = 1A$



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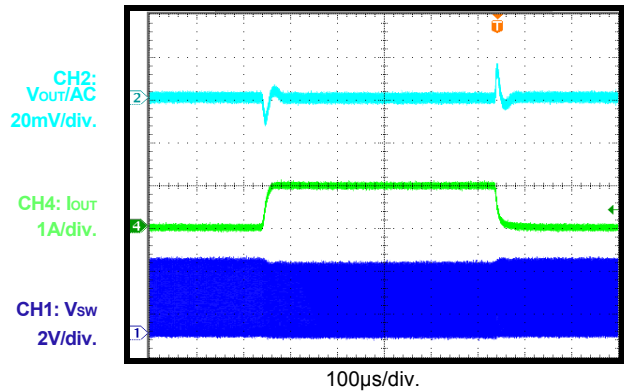
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SCP Steady State



Load Transient Response

$I_{OUT} = 0 - 1A$



PIN FUNCTIONS

| Package Pin # | Name | Description |
|---------------|------|---|
| 1 | PG | Power good indicator. The output of PG is an open drain that connects to VIN via an internal pull-up resistor. PG goes high if the output voltage is within $\pm 10\%$ of the nominal voltage. |
| 2 | VIN | Input supply. The MPQ2171 operates from a 2.5V to 5.5V input rail. A capacitor (C1) prevents large voltage spikes from appearing at the input. |
| 3 | SW | Switch output. SW is the output of the internal power switch. |
| 4 | PGND | Power ground. PGND is the reference ground of the power device and requires careful consideration during PCB layout. For best results, connect PGND with copper pours and vias. |
| 5 | OUT | Input sense. OUT is for the output voltage feedback. |
| 6 | AGND | Analog ground. AGND is the reference ground of the internal control circuit. |
| 7 | FB | Feedback. Connect FB to the tap of an external resistor divider from the output to AGND to set the output voltage. |
| 8 | EN | Enable. Pull EN high to enable the MPQ2171. Float EN or connect EN to ground to disable the MPQ2171. |

BLOCK DIAGRAM

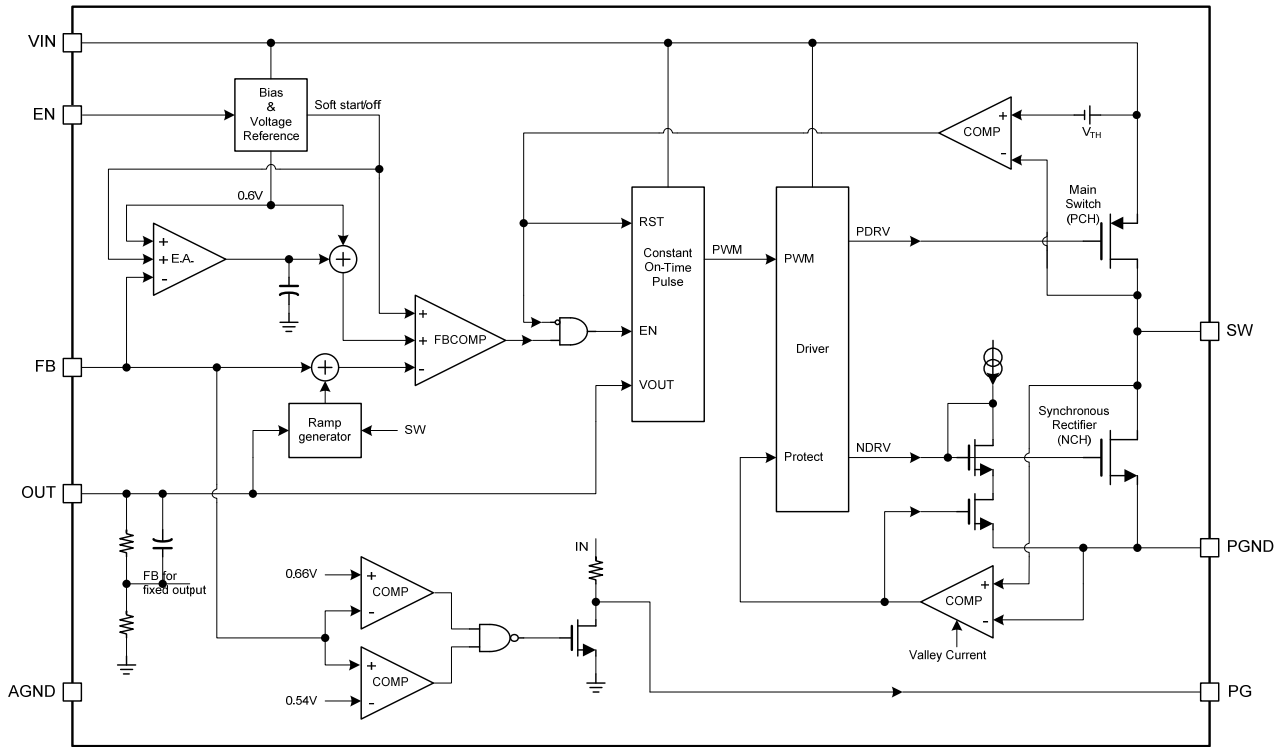


Figure 1: Functional Block Diagram

OPERATION

The MPQ2171 uses constant-on-time (COT) control with input voltage feed-forward to stabilize the switching frequency over its entire input range. The MPQ2171 achieves up to 1A of continuous output current from a 2.5V to 5.5V input voltage with excellent load and line regulation. The output voltage can be regulated as low as 0.6V.

Constant-On-Time (COT) Control

Compared to fixed-frequency pulse-width modulation (PWM) control, constant-on-time (COT) control offers a simpler control loop and faster transient response. By using input voltage feed-forward, the MPQ2171 maintains a nearly constant switching frequency across the entire input and output voltage range. The switching pulse on time can be estimated with Equation (1):

$$T_{on}(\mu s) = V_{OUT}/V_{IN} \times 0.33 + 0.03\mu s \quad (1)$$

Where 0.03 μ s is the loop delay.

For the specific value of the on time, refer to the EC table on page 3.

To prevent inductor current runaway during the load transient, the MPQ2171 implements a minimum off time in each cycle. This minimum off time limit does not affect the operation of the MPQ2171 in steady state in any way.

Enable (EN)

When the input voltage exceeds the under-voltage lockout (UVLO) threshold (typically 2.2V) the MPQ2171 is enabled by pulling the enable pin (EN) above 1.2V. Float EN or connect EN to ground to disable the MPQ2171. There is an internal 1M Ω resistor from EN to ground.

Soft-Start/Soft-Stop

The MPQ2171 has a built-in soft start that ramps up the output voltage at a constant slew rate to avoid overshooting during start-up. The soft-start time is about 1.3ms, typically. When disabled, the MPQ2171 ramps down the internal reference voltage to allow the load to discharge the output linearly.

Power Good (PG) Indicator

The MPQ2171 has an open drain with a 500k Ω pull-up resistor pin for power good indication (PG). When FB is within $\pm 10\%$ of the regulation voltage (0.6V), PG is pulled up to VIN by the internal resistor. If the FB voltage is outside the $\pm 10\%$ window, PG is pulled to ground by an internal MOSFET.

Current Limit

The MPQ2171 has a 4A current limit for the high-side switch (HS-FET). When the HS-FET reaches its current limit, the MPQ2171 enters hiccup mode until the current drops to prevent the inductor current from building and damaging the components.

Short Circuit and Recovery

The MPQ2171 enters short-circuit protection (SCP) mode when it reaches the current limit and attempts to recover from the short circuit with hiccup mode. In SCP, the MPQ2171 disables the output power stage, discharges a soft-start capacitor, and then enacts a soft-start procedure. If the short-circuit condition still remains after the soft-start ends, the MPQ2171 repeats this operation until the short circuit is removed and the output rises back to the regulation level.

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Setting the Output Voltage

The external resistor divider sets the output voltage. The feedback resistor (R1) must account for both stability and dynamic response and therefore cannot be too large or too small. Choose R1 to be around 41.2kΩ. R2 can then be calculated with Equation (2):

$$R2 = \frac{R1}{\frac{V_{out}}{0.6} - 1} \quad (2)$$

The feedback circuit is shown in Figure 2.

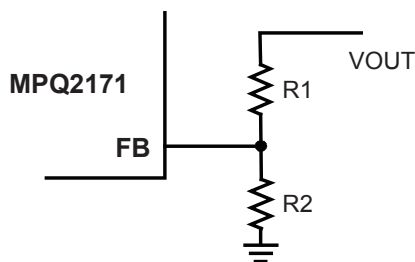


Figure 2: Feedback Network

Table 1 lists the recommended resistor values for common output voltages.

Table 1: Resistor Values for Common Output Voltages

| V _{OUT} (V) | R1 (kΩ) | R2 (kΩ) |
|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1.0 | 41.2 (1%) | 60.4 (1%) |
| 1.2 | 41.2 (1%) | 41.2 (1%) |
| 1.8 | 41.2 (1%) | 20.5 (1%) |
| 3.3 | 41.2 (1%) | 9.09 (1%) |

Selecting the Inductor

A 0.47 - 1.5μH inductor is recommended for most applications. For the highest efficiency, choose an inductor with a DC resistance less than 15mΩ. For most designs, the inductance value can be derived from Equation (3):

$$L_1 = \frac{V_{OUT} \times (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{V_{IN} \times \Delta I_L \times f_{OSC}} \quad (3)$$

Where ΔI_L is the inductor ripple current.

Choose the inductor current to be approximately 30% of the maximum load current. The maximum inductor peak current can be calculated with Equation (4):

$$I_{L(MAX)} = I_{LOAD} + \frac{\Delta I_L}{2} \quad (4)$$

Selecting the Input Capacitor

The input current to the step-down converter is discontinuous and therefore requires a capacitor to supply AC current to the step-down converter while maintaining the DC input voltage. Use low ESR capacitors for the best performance. Ceramic capacitors with X5R or X7R dielectrics are highly recommended because of their low ESR values and small temperature coefficients. For most applications, a 10μF capacitor is sufficient. For higher output voltages, use a 47μF capacitor to improve system stability.

Since the input capacitor absorbs the input switching current, it requires an adequate ripple current rating. The RMS current in the input capacitor can be estimated with Equation (5):

$$I_{C1} = I_{LOAD} \times \sqrt{\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \times \left(1 - \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}}\right)} \quad (5)$$

The worst-case condition occurs at V_{IN} = 2V_{OUT}, shown in Equation (6):

$$I_{C1} = \frac{I_{LOAD}}{2} \quad (6)$$

For simplification, choose an input capacitor with an RMS current rating greater than half of the maximum load current.

The input capacitor can be electrolytic, tantalum, or ceramic. When using electrolytic or tantalum capacitors, place a small, high-quality, ceramic capacitor (0.1μF) as close to the IC as possible. When using ceramic capacitors, ensure that they have enough capacitance to prevent excessive voltage ripple at the input. The input voltage ripple caused by the capacitance can be estimated with Equation (7):

$$\Delta V_{IN} = \frac{I_{LOAD}}{f_s \times C1} \times \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \times \left(1 - \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}}\right) \quad (7)$$

Selecting the Output Capacitor

The output capacitor (C2) maintains the output DC voltage. Use low ESR, ceramic capacitors to keep the output voltage ripple low. The output voltage ripple can be estimated with Equation (8):

$$\Delta V_{OUT} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{f_s \times L_1} \times \left(1 - \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}}\right) \times \left(R_{ESR} + \frac{1}{8 \times f_s \times C2}\right) \quad (8)$$

Where L_1 is the inductor value, and R_{ESR} is the equivalent series resistance of the output capacitor.

For ceramic capacitors, the impedance at the switching frequency is dominated by the capacitance. The output voltage ripple is caused mainly by the capacitance. For simplification, the output voltage ripple can be estimated with Equation (9):

$$\Delta V_{OUT} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{8 \times f_s^2 \times L_1 \times C2} \times \left(1 - \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}}\right) \quad (9)$$

For tantalum or electrolytic capacitors, the ESR dominates the impedance at the switching frequency. For simplification, the output ripple can be approximated with Equation (10):

$$\Delta V_{OUT} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{f_s \times L_1} \times \left(1 - \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}}\right) \times R_{ESR} \quad (10)$$

The characteristics of the output capacitor also affect the stability of the regulation system.

PCB Layout Guidelines

Proper layout of the switching power supplies is critical for stable operation. For high-frequency switching converters, a poor layout can lead to poor line or load regulation and stability issues. For best results, refer to Figure 3 and follow the guidelines below.

1. Place high current paths (GND, VIN, and SW) very close to the device using short, direct, and wide traces.
2. Place the input capacitor as close to VIN and GND as possible.
3. Place the external feedback resistors next to FB.
4. Keep the switching node SW short and away from the feedback network.

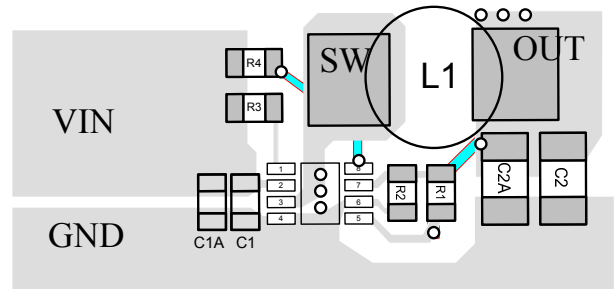


Figure 3: Layout Recommendation

TYPICAL APPLICATION CIRCUITS

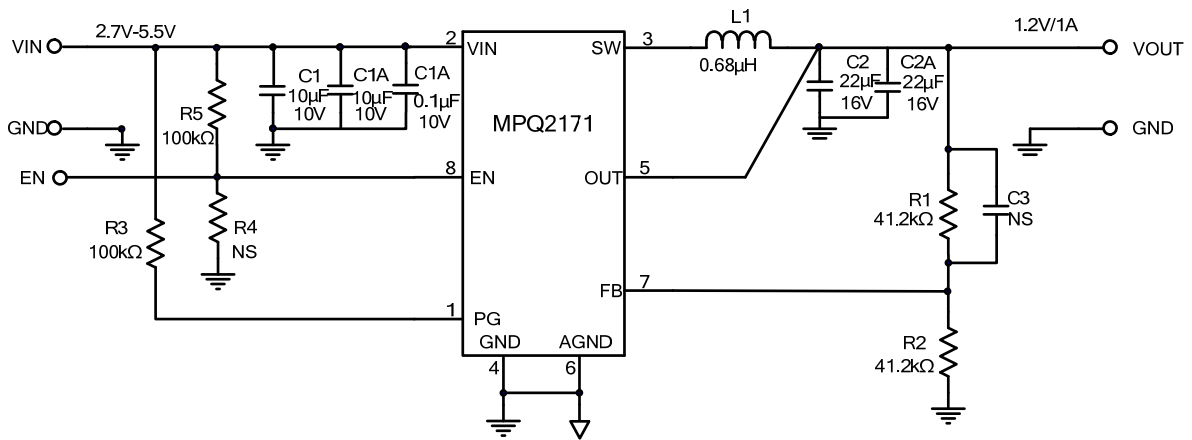


Figure 4: V_{OUT} = 1.2V Typical Application Circuit

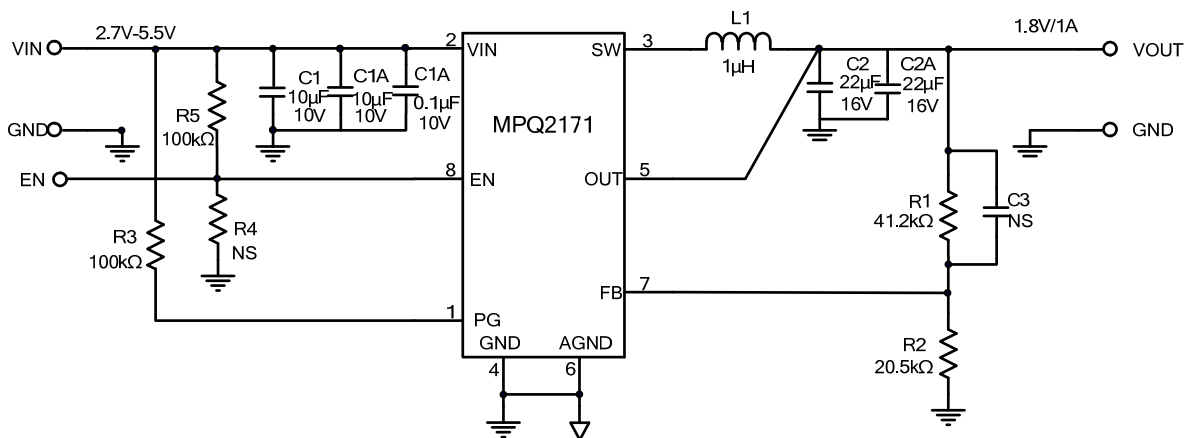


Figure 5: V_{OUT} = 1.8V Typical Application Circuit