

TPS6217x-Q1 3-V to 17-V 0.5-A Step-Down Converters with DCS-Control™

1 Features

- DCS-Control™ Topology
- Qualified for Automotive Applications
- AEC-Q100 Qualified With the Following Results:
 - Device Temperature Grade: –40°C to 125°C Operating Junction Temperature Range
 - Device HBM ESD Classification Level H2
 - Device CDM ESD Classification Level C4B
- Input Voltage Range: 3 V to 17 V
- Up to 500-mA Output Current
- Adjustable Output Voltage from 0.9 V to 6 V
- Fixed Output Voltage Versions
- Seamless Power Save Mode Transition
- Typically 17- μ A Quiescent Current
- Power Good Output
- 100% Duty Cycle Mode
- Short Circuit Protection
- Over Temperature Protection
- Available in a 2 x 2 mm, WSON-8 Package

2 Applications

- Automotive 12-V Rail Supplies
- POE Over Coax POL Supply
- Camera, Video Modules
- LDO Alternative

3 Description

The TPS6217x-Q1 family is an easy to use synchronous step down DC-DC converter optimized for applications with high power density. A high switching frequency of typically 2.25 MHz allows the use of small inductors and provides fast transient response as well as high output voltage accuracy by utilization of the DCS-Control™ topology.

With their wide operating input voltage range of 3 V to 17 V, the devices are ideally suited for systems powered from either a Li-Ion or other battery as well as from 12-V intermediate power rails. It supports up to 0.5-A continuous output current at output voltages between 0.9 V and 6 V (with 100% duty cycle mode).

Power sequencing is also possible by configuring the Enable and open-drain Power Good pins.

In Power Save Mode, the devices draw quiescent current of about 17 μ A from VIN. Power Save Mode, entered automatically and seamlessly if load is small, maintains high efficiency over the entire load range. In Shutdown Mode, the device is turned off and shutdown current consumption is less than 2 μ A.

The device, available in adjustable and fixed output voltage versions, is packaged in an 8-pin WSON package measuring 2 x 2 mm (DSG).

Device Information⁽¹⁾

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)
TPS62170-Q1	WSON (8)	2.00 mm x 2.00 mm
TPS62172-Q1	WSON (8)	2.00 mm x 2.00 mm

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the datasheet.

4 Simplified Schematic

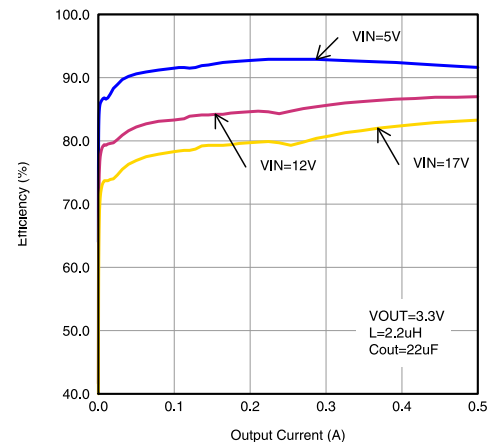
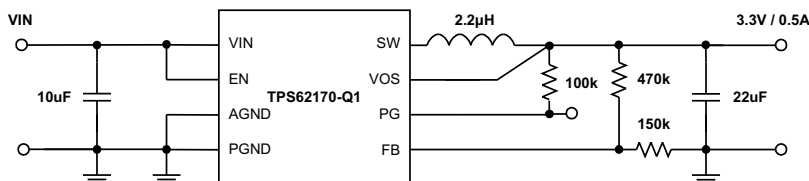


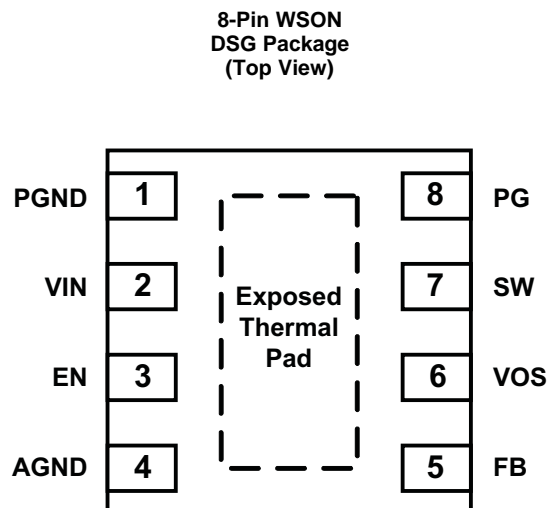
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5 Revision History

DATE	REVISION	NOTES
December 2014	*	Initial release.

6 Pin Configuration and Functions



Pin Functions

PIN ⁽¹⁾		I/O	DESCRIPTION
NAME	NUMBER		
PGND	1		Power ground
VIN	2	I	Supply voltage
EN	3	I	Enable input (High = enabled, Low = disabled)
AGND	4		Analog ground
FB	5	I	Voltage feedback of adjustable version. Connect resistive voltage divider to this pin. It is recommended to connect FB to AGND on fixed output voltage versions for improved thermal performance.
VOS	6	I	Output voltage sense pin and connection for the control loop circuitry.
SW	7	O	Switch node, which is connected to the internal MOSFET switches. Connect inductor between SW and output capacitor.
PG	8	O	Output power good (High = VOUT ready, Low = VOUT below nominal regulation) ; open drain (requires pull-up resistor; goes high impedance, when device is switched off)
Exposed Thermal Pad			Must be connected to AGND. Must be soldered to achieve appropriate power dissipation and mechanical reliability.

(1) For more information about connecting pins, see [Detailed Description](#) and [Application and Implementation](#) sections.

7 Specifications

7.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating junction temperature range (unless otherwise noted) ⁽¹⁾

		MIN	MAX	UNIT
Pin voltage range ⁽²⁾	V _{IN}	-0.3	20	V
	EN	-0.3	V _{IN} +0.3	
	SW	-0.3	V _{IN} +0.3	V
	FB, PG, VOS	-0.3	7	mA
Power Good sink current	PG		10	°C
Operating junction temperature range, T _J		-40	125	kV
Storage temperature range, T _{stg}		-65	150	°C

(1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions*. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

(2) All voltages are with respect to network ground terminal.

7.2 ESD Ratings

		VALUE	UNIT
V _(ESD)	Electrostatic discharge	Human body model (HBM), per AEC Q100-002 ⁽¹⁾	±2000
		Charged device model (CDM), per AEC Q100-011	±500

(1) AEC Q100-002 indicates HBM stressing is done in accordance with the ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 specification.

7.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating junction temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
V _{IN}	Supply voltage	3		17	V
V _{OUT}	Output voltage range	0.9		6	°C
T _J	Operating junction temperature	-40		125	°C

7.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC ⁽¹⁾		TPS6217x-Q1	UNIT
		DSG (8 PINS)	
R _{θJA}	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	61.8	°C/W
R _{θJC(top)}	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	61.3	
R _{θJB}	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	15.5	
Ψ _{JT}	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	0.4	
Ψ _{JB}	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	15.4	
R _{θJC(bot)}	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	8.6	

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](http://www.ti.com/lit/zip/SRA953).

7.5 Electrical Characteristics

over junction temperature range ($T_J = -40^{\circ}\text{C}$ to $+125^{\circ}\text{C}$), typical values at $V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$ and $T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
SUPPLY						
V_{IN}	Input voltage range ⁽¹⁾		3		17	V
I_Q	Operating quiescent current	EN = High, IO _{UT} = 0 mA, Device not switching		17	30	μA
I_{SD}	Shutdown current ⁽²⁾	EN = Low		1.8	25	μA
V_{UVLO}	Undervoltage lockout threshold	Falling input voltage	2.6	2.7	2.82	V
		Hysteresis		180		mV
T_{SD}	Thermal shutdown temperature			160		°C
	Thermal shutdown hysteresis			20		
CONTROL (EN, PG)						
V_{EN_H}	High-level input threshold voltage (EN)		0.9			V
V_{EN_L}	Low-level input threshold voltage (EN)				0.3	V
I_{LKG_EN}	Input leakage current (EN)	EN = V_{IN} or GND		0.01	1	μA
V_{TH_PG}	Power Good threshold voltage	Rising (% V_{OUT})	92%	95%	98%	
		Falling (% V_{OUT})	87%	9%	93%	
V_{OL_PG}	Power Good output low	$I_{PG} = -2\text{ mA}$		0.07	0.3	V
I_{LKG_PG}	Input leakage current (PG)	$V_{PG} = 1.8\text{ V}$		1	400	nA
POWER SWITCH						
$R_{DS(ON)}$	High-side MOSFET ON-resistance	$V_{IN} \geq 6\text{ V}$		300	600	mΩ
		$V_{IN} = 3\text{ V}$		430		
	Low-side MOSFET ON-resistance	$V_{IN} \geq 6\text{ V}$		120	200	mΩ
		$V_{IN} = 3\text{ V}$		165		
I_{LIMF}	High-side MOSFET forward current limit ⁽³⁾	$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $T_A = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$	0.85	1.05	1.35	A
OUTPUT						
V_{REF}	Internal reference voltage			0.8		V
I_{LKG_FB}	Pin leakage current (FB)	TPS62170-Q1, $V_{FB} = 1.2\text{ V}$		5	400	nA
V_{OUT}	Output voltage range	TPS62170-Q1, $V_{IN} \geq V_{OUT}$	0.9		6.0	V
	Feedback voltage accuracy ⁽⁴⁾	PWM Mode operation, $V_{IN} \geq V_{OUT} + 1\text{ V}$	-3%		3%	
		Power Save Mode operation, $C_{OUT} = 22\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ ⁽⁵⁾	-3.5%		4%	
	DC output voltage load regulation ⁽⁶⁾	$V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$, PWM Mode operation		0.05		
DC output voltage line regulation ⁽⁶⁾	$3\text{ V} \leq V_{IN} \leq 17\text{ V}$, $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$, $I_{OUT} = 0.5\text{ A}$, PWM Mode operation		0.02			% / V

(1) The device is still functional down to Under Voltage Lockout (see parameter V_{UVLO}).

(2) Current into VIN pin.

(3) This is the static current limit. It can be temporarily higher in applications due to internal propagation delay (see [Current Limit and Short Circuit Protection](#)).

(4) For fixed voltage versions, the (internal) resistive feedback divider is included.

(5) The accuracy in Power Save Mode can be improved by increasing the C_{OUT} value, reducing the output voltage ripple.

(6) Line and load regulation are depending on external component selection and layout (see [Figure 14](#) and [Figure 15](#)).

7.6 Typical Characteristics

At $V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$ and $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)

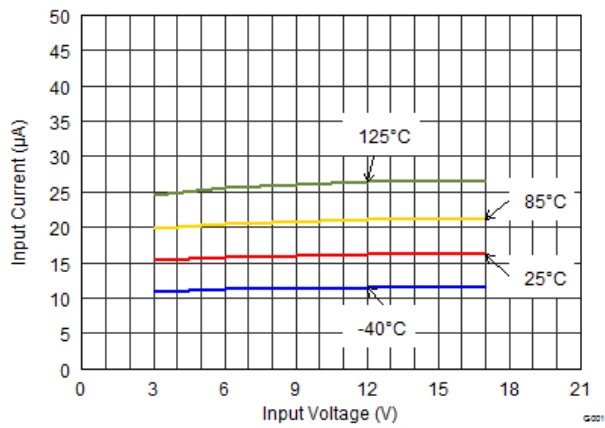


Figure 1. Quiescent Current

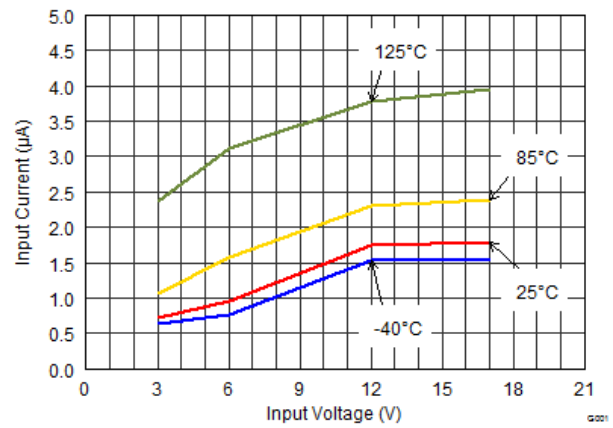


Figure 2. Shutdown Current

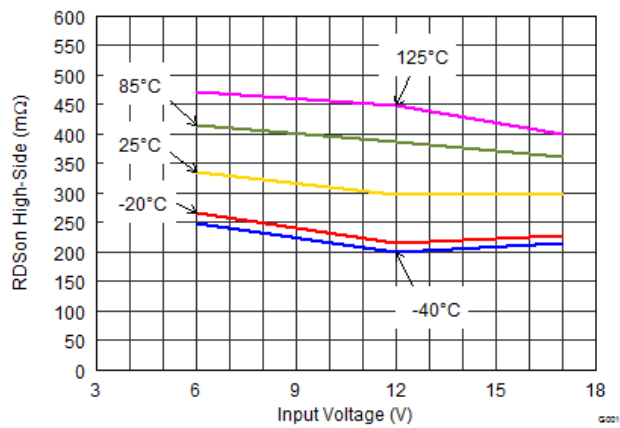


Figure 3. High-Side Static Drain-Source-Resistance (R_{DSon})

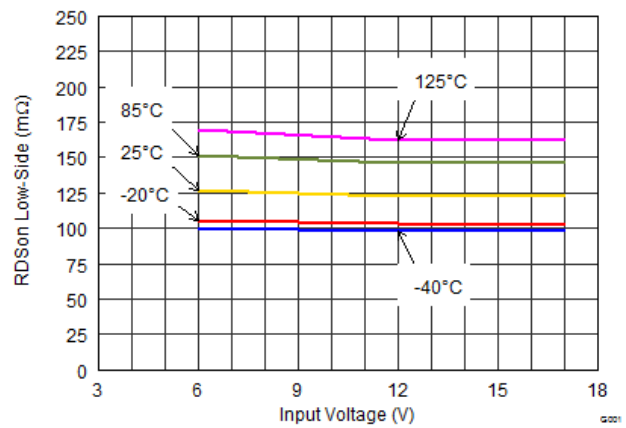


Figure 4. Low-Side Static Drain-Source-Resistance (R_{DSon})

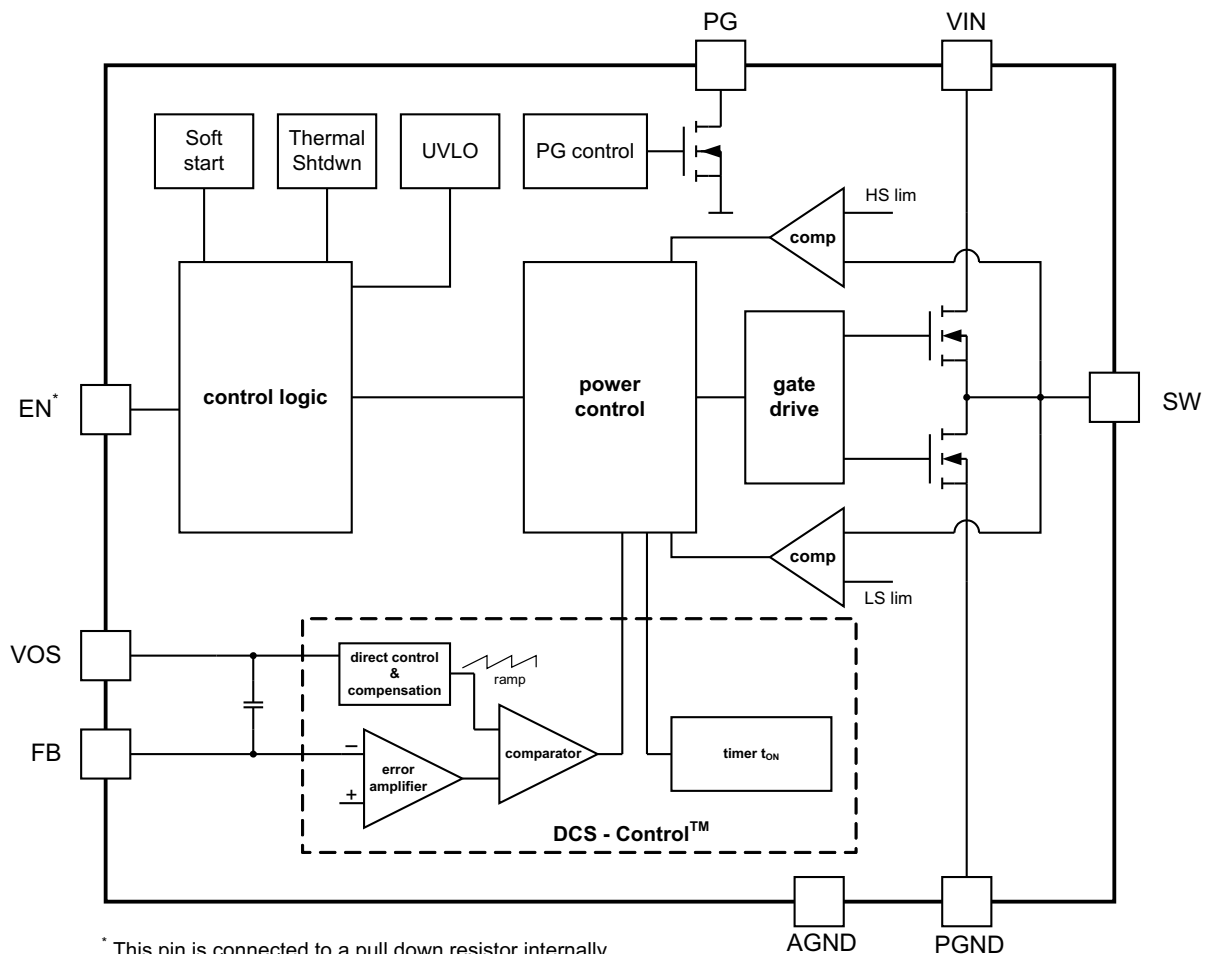
8 Detailed Description

8.1 Overview

The TPS6217x-Q1 synchronous switched mode power converters are based on DCS-Control™ (Direct Control with Seamless transition into power save mode), an advanced regulation topology, that combines the advantages of hysteretic, voltage mode and current mode control including an AC loop directly associated to the output voltage. This control loop takes information about output voltage changes and feeds it directly to a fast comparator stage. It sets the switching frequency, which is constant for steady state operating conditions, and provides immediate response to dynamic load changes. To get accurate DC load regulation, a voltage feedback loop is used. The internally compensated regulation network achieves fast and stable operation with small external components and low ESR capacitors.

The DCS-Control™ topology supports PWM (Pulse Width Modulation) mode for medium and heavy load conditions and a Power Save Mode at light loads. During PWM, it operates at its nominal switching frequency in continuous conduction mode. This frequency is typically about 2.25 MHz with a controlled frequency variation depending on the input voltage. If the load current decreases, the converter enters Power Save Mode to sustain high efficiency down to very light loads. In Power Save Mode the switching frequency decreases linearly with the load current. Since DCS-Control™ supports both operation modes within one single building block, the transition from PWM to Power Save Mode is seamless without effects on the output voltage.

8.2 Functional Block Diagram



8.3 Feature Description

8.3.1 Enable / Shutdown (EN)

When Enable (EN) is set High, the device starts operation.

Shutdown is forced if EN is pulled Low with a shutdown current of typically 1.5 μ A. During shutdown, the internal power MOSFETs as well as the entire control circuitry are turned off. The internal resistive divider pulls down the output voltage smoothly. If the EN pin goes Low, an internal pull-down resistor of about 400 k Ω is connected and keeps it Low in case of floating pin. To avoid ON/OFF oscillations, a minimum slew rate of about 50 mV/s is recommended for the EN signal.

Connecting the EN pin to an appropriate output signal of another power rail provides sequencing of multiple power rails.

8.3.2 Softstart

The internal soft start circuitry controls the output voltage slope during startup. This avoids excessive inrush current and ensures a controlled output voltage rise time. It also prevents unwanted voltage drops from high-impedance power sources or batteries. When EN is set to start device operation, the device starts switching after a delay of about 50 μ s and V_{OUT} rises with a slope of about 25 mV/ μ s. See [Figure 26](#) and [Figure 27](#) for typical startup operation.

The TPS6217x-Q1 can start into a pre-biased output. During monotonic pre-biased startup, the low-side MOSFET is not allowed to turn on until the device's internal ramp sets an output voltage above the pre-bias voltage.

8.3.3 Power Good (PG)

The TPS6217x-Q1 has a built in power good (PG) function to indicate whether the output voltage has reached its appropriate level or not. The PG signal can be used for startup sequencing of multiple rails. The PG pin is an open-drain output that requires a pull-up resistor (to any voltage below 7 V). It can sink 2 mA of current and maintain its specified logic low level. It is high impedance when the device is turned off due to EN, UVLO, or thermal shutdown.

8.3.4 Under Voltage Lockout (UVLO)

If the input voltage drops, the under voltage lockout prevents misoperation of the device by switching off both the power FETs. The under voltage lockout threshold is set typically to 2.7 V. The device is fully operational for voltages above the UVLO threshold and turns off if the input voltage trips the threshold. The converter starts operation again once the input voltage exceeds the threshold by a hysteresis of typically 180 mV.

8.3.5 Thermal Shutdown

The junction temperature (T_J) of the device is monitored by an internal temperature sensor. If T_J exceeds 160°C (typ), the device goes into thermal shut down. Both the high-side and low-side power FETs are turned off and PG goes high impedance. When T_J decreases below the hysteresis amount, the converter resumes normal operation, beginning with Soft Start. To avoid unstable conditions, a hysteresis of typically 20°C is implemented on the thermal shut down temperature.

8.4 Device Functional Modes

8.4.1 Pulse Width Modulation (PWM) Operation

The TPS62170-Q1 operates with pulse width modulation in continuous conduction mode (CCM) with a nominal switching frequency of about 2.25 MHz. The frequency variation in PWM is controlled and depends on V_{IN} , V_{OUT} and the inductance. The device operates in PWM mode as long the output current is higher than half the inductor's ripple current. To maintain high efficiency at light loads, the device enters Power Save Mode at the boundary to discontinuous conduction mode (DCM). This happens if the output current becomes smaller than half the inductor's ripple current.

Device Functional Modes (continued)

8.4.2 Power Save Mode Operation

The TPS6217x-Q1's built in Power Save Mode will be entered seamlessly, if the load current decreases. This secures a high efficiency in light load operation. The device remains in Power Save Mode as long as the inductor current is discontinuous.

In Power Save Mode the switching frequency decreases linearly with the load current maintaining high efficiency. The transition into and out of Power Save Mode happens within the entire regulation scheme and is seamless in both directions.

The TPS6217x-Q1 includes a fixed on-time circuitry. This on-time, in steady-state operation, can be estimated as:

$$t_{ON} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \cdot 420ns \quad (1)$$

For very small output voltages, the on-time increases beyond the result of [Equation 1](#), to stay above an absolute minimum on-time, $t_{ON(min)}$, which is around 80 ns to limit switching losses. The peak inductor current in PSM can be approximated by:

$$I_{LPSM(peak)} = \frac{(V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{L} \cdot t_{ON} \quad (2)$$

When V_{IN} decreases to typically 15% above V_{OUT} , the TPS62170-Q1 does not enter Power Save Mode, regardless of the load current. The device maintains output regulation in PWM mode.

8.4.3 100% Duty-Cycle Operation

The duty cycle of the buck converter is given by $D = V_{out}/V_{in}$ and increases as the input voltage comes close to the output voltage. In this case, the device starts 100% duty cycle operation turning on the high-side switch 100% of the time. The high-side switch stays turned on as long as the output voltage is below the internal setpoint. This allows the conversion of small input to output voltage differences, e.g. for longest operation time of battery-powered applications. In 100% duty cycle mode, the low-side FET is switched off.

The minimum input voltage to maintain output voltage regulation, depending on the load current and the output voltage level, can be calculated as:

$$V_{IN(min)} = V_{OUT(min)} + I_{OUT} (R_{DS(on)} + R_L) \quad (3)$$

where

I_{OUT} is the output current,

$R_{DS(on)}$ is the $R_{DS(on)}$ of the high-side FET and

R_L is the DC resistance of the inductor used.

8.4.4 Current Limit and Short Circuit Protection

The TPS6217x-Q1 devices are protected against heavy load and short circuit events. At heavy loads, the current limit determines the maximum output current. If the current limit is reached, the high-side FET will be turned off. Avoiding shoot through current, the low-side FET will be switched on to sink the inductor current. The high-side FET will turn on again, only if the current in the low-side FET has decreased below the low side current limit threshold.

Device Functional Modes (continued)

The output current of the device is limited by the current limit (see [Electrical Characteristics](#)). Due to internal propagation delay, the actual current can exceed the static current limit during that time. The dynamic current limit can be calculated as follows:

$$I_{peak(typ)} = I_{LIMF} + \frac{V_L}{L} \cdot t_{PD} \quad (4)$$

where

I_{LIMF} is the static current limit, specified in the electrical characteristic table,

L is the inductor value,

V_L is the voltage across the inductor and

t_{PD} is the internal propagation delay.

The dynamic high side switch peak current can be calculated as follows:

$$I_{peak(typ)} = I_{LIMF_HS} + \frac{(V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{L} \cdot 30ns \quad (5)$$

Care on the current limit has to be taken if the input voltage is high and very small inductances are used.

8.4.5 Operation Above $T_J = 125^\circ\text{C}$

The operating junction temperature of the device is specified up to 125°C . In power supply circuits, the self heating effect causes, that the junction temperature, T_J , is even higher than the ambient temperature T_A . Depending on T_A and the load current, the maximum operating temperature T_J can be exceeded. However, the electrical characteristics are specified up to a T_J of 125°C only. The device operates as long as thermal shutdown threshold is not triggered.

9 Application and Implementation

9.1 Application Information

The following information is intended to be a guideline through the individual power supply design process.

9.2 Typical TPS62170-Q1 Application

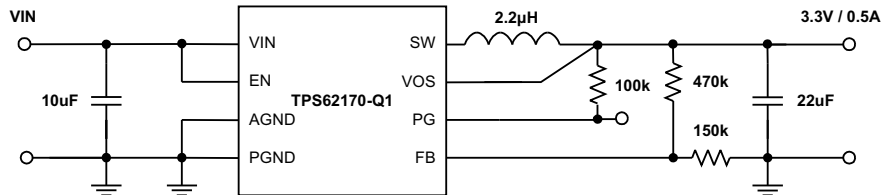


Figure 5. 3.3-V/0.5-A Power Supply

9.2.1 Design Requirements

The step-down converter design can be adapted to different output voltage and load current needs by choosing external components appropriate. The following design procedure is adequate for whole VIN, VOUT and load current range of TPS62170-Q1. Using [Table 2](#), the design procedure needs minimum effort.

Table 1. List of Components

REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER
IC	17-V, 1-A step-down converter, WSON	TPS62170QDSG, Texas Instruments
L1	2.2-µH, 1.4-A, 3 x 2.8 x 1.2 mm	VLF3012ST-2R2M1R4, TDK
CIN	10-µF, 25-V, ceramic	Standard
COUT	22-µF, 6.3-V, ceramic	Standard
R1	Depending on Vout	
R2	Depending on Vout	
R3	100-kΩ, chip, 0603, 1/16-W, 1%	Standard

9.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

9.2.2.1 Programming the Output Voltage

While the output voltage of the TPS62170-Q1 is adjustable, the TPS62172-Q1 is programmed to a fixed output voltage of 3.3 V. For fixed output versions, the FB pin is pulled down internally and may be left floating. It is recommended to connect it to AGND to improve thermal resistance. The adjustable version can be programmed for output voltages from 0.9 V to 6 V by using a resistive divider from VOUT to FB to AGND. The voltage at the FB pin is regulated to 800 mV. The value of the output voltage is set by the selection of the resistive divider from [Equation 6](#). It is recommended to choose resistor values which allow a cross current of at least 2 µA, meaning the value of R2 should not exceed 400 kΩ. Lower resistor values are recommended for highest accuracy and most robust design. For applications requiring lowest current consumption, the use of fixed output voltage versions is recommended.

$$R_1 = R_2 \left(\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{REF}} - 1 \right) \quad (6)$$

In case the FB pin gets opened, the device clamps the output voltage at the VOS pin to about 7.4 V.

9.2.2.2 External Component Selection

The external components have to fulfill the needs of the application, but also the stability criteria of the devices control loop. The TPS62170-Q1 is optimized to work within a range of external components. The LC output filters inductance and capacitance have to be considered together, creating a double pole, responsible for the corner frequency of the converter (see [Output Filter and Loop Stability](#) section). [Table 2](#) can be used to simplify the output filter component selection.

Table 2. Recommended LC Output Filter Combinations⁽¹⁾

	4.7μF	10μF	22μF	47μF	100μF	200μF	400μF
1μH							
2.2μH		√	√ ⁽²⁾	√	√	√	
3.3μH		√	√	√	√		
4.7μH							

(1) The values in the table are nominal values. Variations of typically ±20% due to tolerance, saturation and DC bias are assumed.

(2) This LC combination is the standard value and recommended for most applications.

More detailed information on further LC combinations can be found in [SLVA463](#).

9.2.2.2.1 Inductor Selection

The inductor selection is affected by several effects like inductor ripple current, output ripple voltage, PWM-to-PSM transition point and efficiency. In addition, the inductor selected has to be rated for appropriate saturation current and DC resistance (DCR). [Equation 7](#) and [Equation 8](#) calculate the maximum inductor current under static load conditions.

$$I_{L(\max)} = I_{OUT(\max)} + \frac{\Delta I_{L(\max)}}{2} \quad (7)$$

$$\Delta I_{L(\max)} = V_{OUT} \cdot \left(\frac{1 - \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN(\max)}}}{L_{(\min)} \cdot f_{SW}} \right) \quad (8)$$

where

- $I_L(\max)$ is the maximum inductor current,
- ΔI_L is the Peak to Peak Inductor Ripple Current,
- $L(\min)$ is the minimum effective inductor value and
- f_{SW} is the actual PWM Switching Frequency.

Calculating the maximum inductor current using the actual operating conditions gives the minimum saturation current of the inductor needed. A margin of about 20% is recommended to add. A larger inductor value is also useful to get lower ripple current, but increases the transient response time and size as well. The following inductors have been used with the TPS62170-Q1 and are recommended for use:

Table 3. List of Inductors

TYPE	INDUCTANCE [μH]	CURRENT [A] ⁽¹⁾	DIMENSIONS [L x B x H] mm	MANUFACTURER
VLF3012ST-2R2M1R4	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.9 A	3.0 x 2.8 x 1.2	TDK
VLF302512MT-2R2M	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.9 A	3.0 x 2.5 x 1.2	TDK
VLS252012-2R2	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.3 A	2.5 x 2.0 x 1.2	TDK
XFL3012-222MEC	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.9 A	3.0 x 3.0 x 1.2	Coilcraft

(1) I_{RMS} at 40°C rise or I_{SAT} at 30% drop.

Table 3. List of Inductors (continued)

TYPE	INDUCTANCE [μH]	CURRENT [A] ⁽¹⁾	DIMENSIONS [L x B x H] mm	MANUFACTURER
XFL3012-332MEC	3.3 μH, ±20%	1.6 A	3.0 x 3.0 x 1.2	Coilcraft
XPL2010-222MLC	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.3 A	1.9 x 2.0 x 1.0	Coilcraft
XPL2010-332MLC	3.3 μH, ±20%	1.1 A	1.9 x 2.0 x 1.0	Coilcraft
LPS3015-332ML	3.3 μH, ±20%	1.4 A	3.0 x 3.0 x 1.4	Coilcraft
PFL2512-222ME	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.0 A	2.8 x 2.3 x 1.2	Coilcraft
PFL2512-333ME	3.3 μH, ±20%	0.78 A	2.8 x 2.3 x 1.2	Coilcraft
744028003	3.3 μH, ±30%	1.0 A	2.8 x 2.8 x 1.1	Wuerth
PSI25201B-2R2MS	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.3 A	2.0 x 2.5 x 1.2	Cyntec
NR3015T-2R2M	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.5 A	3.0 x 3.0 x 1.5	Taiyo Yuden
BRC2012T2R2MD	2.2 μH, ±20%	1.0 A	2.0 x 1.25 x 1.4	Taiyo Yuden
BRC2012T3R3MD	3.3 μH, ±20%	0.87 A	2.0 x 1.25 x 1.4	Taiyo Yuden

The TPS6217x-Q1 can be run with an inductor as low as 2.2 μH. However, for applications running with low input voltages, 3.3 μH is recommended, to allow the full output current. The inductor value also determines the load current at which Power Save Mode is entered:

$$I_{load(PSM)} = \frac{1}{2} \Delta I_L \quad (9)$$

Using [Equation 8](#), this current level can be adjusted by changing the inductor value.

9.2.2.2.2 Capacitor Selection

9.2.2.2.2.1 Output Capacitor

The recommended value for the output capacitor is 22 μF. The architecture of the TPS6217x-Q1 allows the use of tiny ceramic output capacitors with low equivalent series resistance (ESR). These capacitors provide low output voltage ripple and are recommended. To keep its low resistance up to high frequencies and to get narrow capacitance variation with temperature, it's recommended to use X7R or X5R dielectric. Using a higher value can have some advantages like smaller voltage ripple and a tighter DC output accuracy in Power Save Mode (see [SLVA463](#)).

NOTE

In Power Save Mode, the output voltage ripple depends on the output capacitance, its ESR and the peak inductor current. Using ceramic capacitors provides small ESR and low ripple.

9.2.2.2.2.2 Input Capacitor

For most applications, 10 μF is sufficient and is recommended, though a larger value reduces input current ripple further. The input capacitor buffers the input voltage for transient events and also decouples the converter from the supply. A low ESR multilayer ceramic capacitor is recommended for best filtering and should be placed between VIN and GND as close as possible to those pins.

NOTE

DC Bias effect: High capacitance ceramic capacitors have a DC Bias effect, which will have a strong influence on the final effective capacitance. Therefore the right capacitor value has to be chosen carefully. Package size and voltage rating in combination with dielectric material are responsible for differences between the rated capacitor value and the effective capacitance.

9.2.2.3 Output Filter and Loop Stability

The devices of the TPS6217x-Q1 family are internally compensated to be stable with L-C filter combinations corresponding to a corner frequency to be calculated with Equation 10:

$$f_{LC} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L \cdot C}} \tag{10}$$

Proven nominal values for inductance and ceramic capacitance are given in Table 2 and are recommended for use. Different values may work, but care has to be taken on the loop stability which might be affected. More information including a detailed L-C stability matrix can be found in SLVA463.

The TPS6217x-Q1 devices, both fixed and adjustable versions, include an internal 25-pF feedforward capacitor, connected between the VOS and FB pins. This capacitor impacts the frequency behavior and sets a pole and zero in the control loop with the resistors of the feedback divider, per Equation 11 and Equation 12:

$$f_{zero} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot R_1 \cdot 25 pF} \tag{11}$$

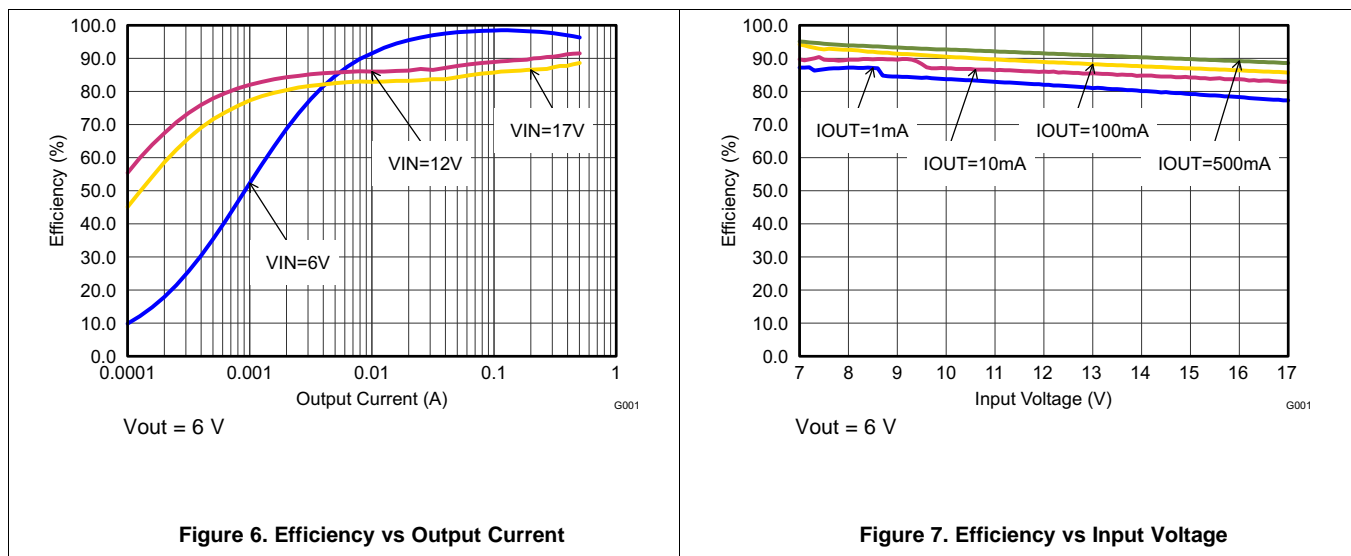
$$f_{pole} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot 25 pF} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) \tag{12}$$

Though the TPS6217x-Q1 devices are stable without the pole and zero being in a particular location, adjusting their location to the specific needs of the application can provide better performance in Power Save mode and/or improved transient response. An external feedforward capacitor can also be added. A more detailed discussion on the optimization for stability vs transient response can be found in SLVA289 and SLVA466.

If using ceramic capacitors, the DC bias effect has to be considered. The DC bias effect results in a drop in effective capacitance as the voltage across the capacitor increases (see NOTE in the DC Bias effect section).

9.2.3 Application Performance Plots

At $V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$ and $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)



At $V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$ and $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)

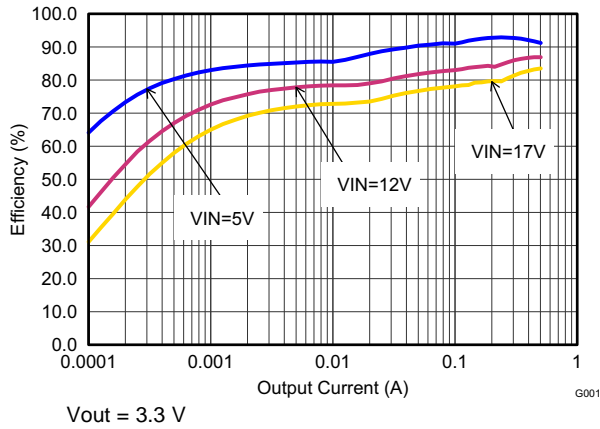


Figure 8. Efficiency vs Output Current

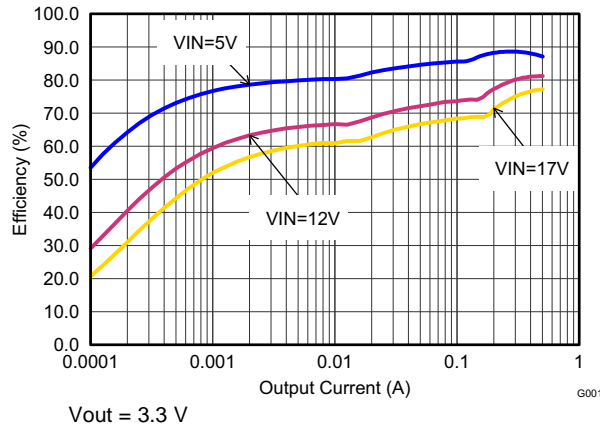


Figure 9. Efficiency vs Input Voltage

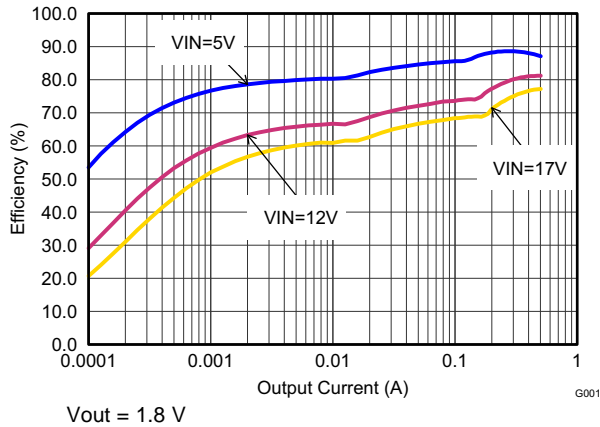


Figure 10. Efficiency vs Output Current

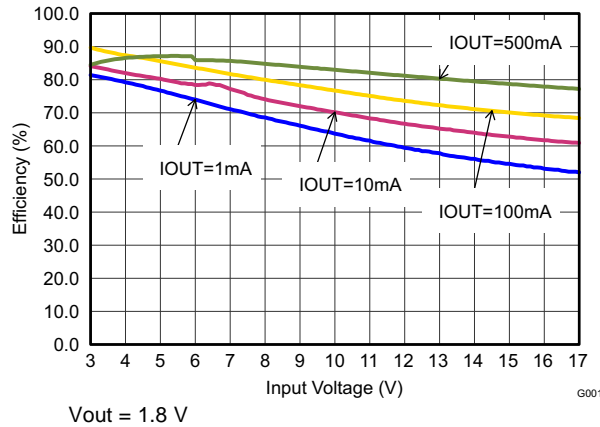


Figure 11. Efficiency vs Input Voltage

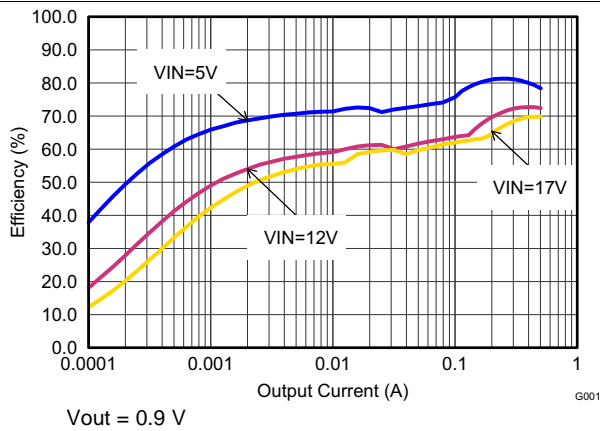


Figure 12. Efficiency vs Output Current

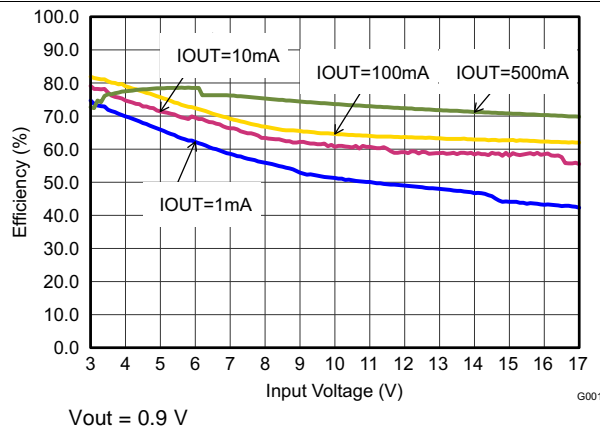


Figure 13. Efficiency vs Input Voltage

At $V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$ and $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)

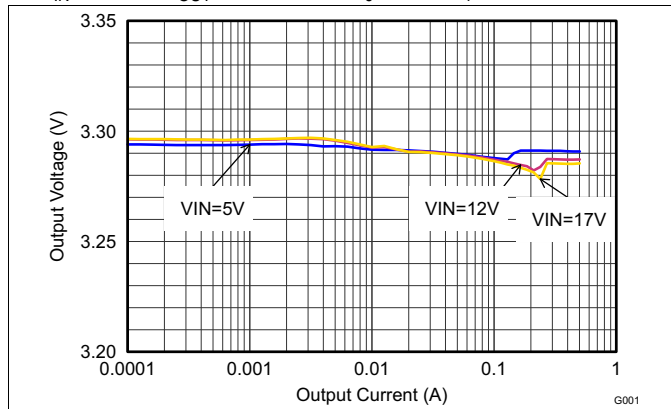


Figure 14. Output Voltage Accuracy (Load Regulation)

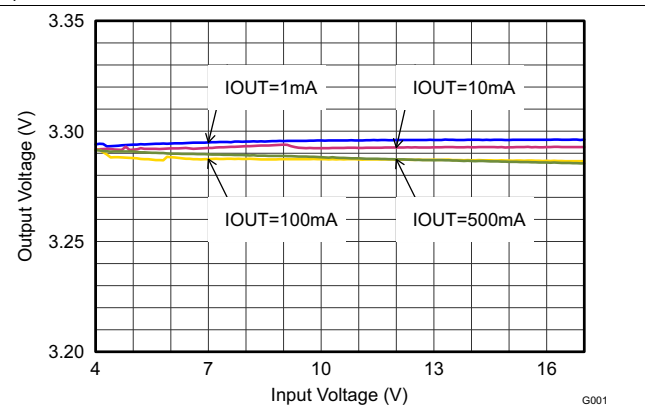


Figure 15. Output Voltage Accuracy (Line Regulation)

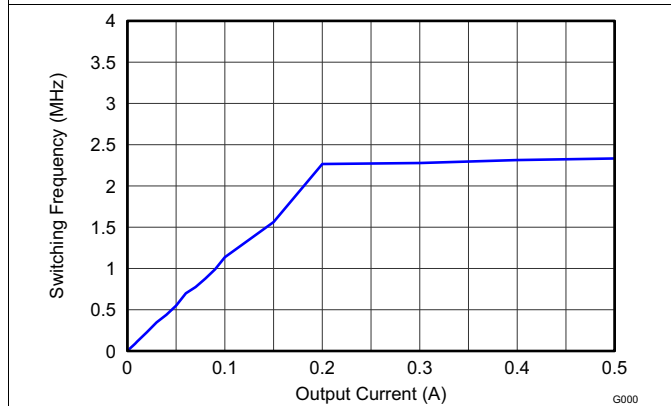


Figure 16. Switching Frequency vs Output Current

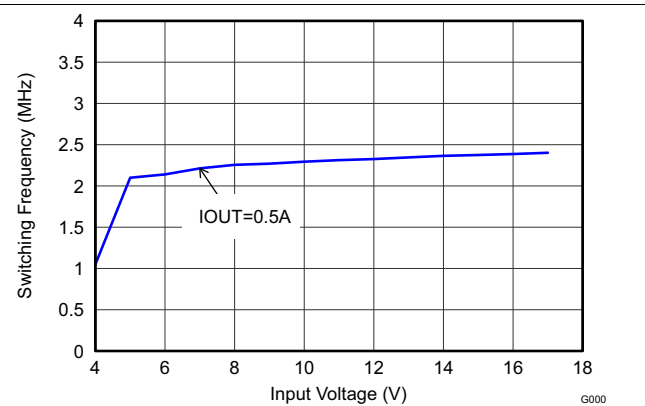


Figure 17. Switching Frequency vs Input Voltage

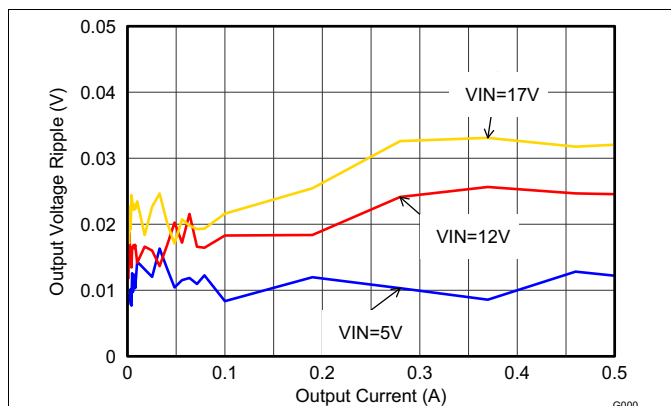


Figure 18. Output Voltage Ripple

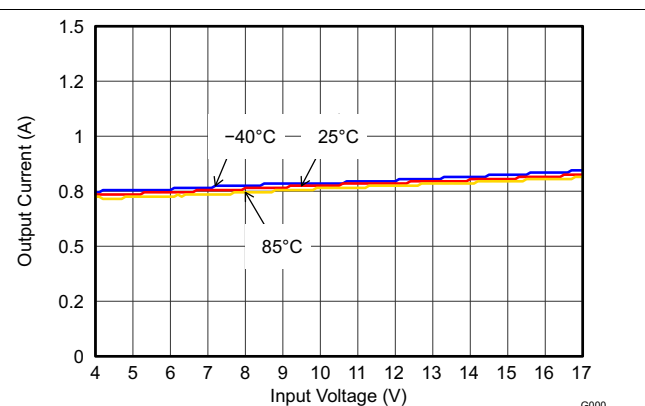


Figure 19. Maximum Output Current

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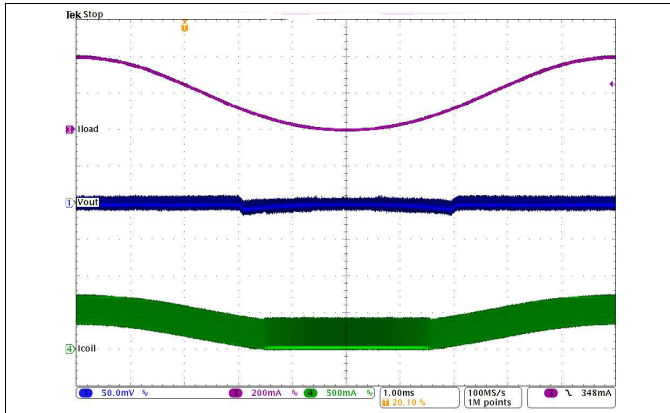


Figure 20. PWM / PSM Mode Transition

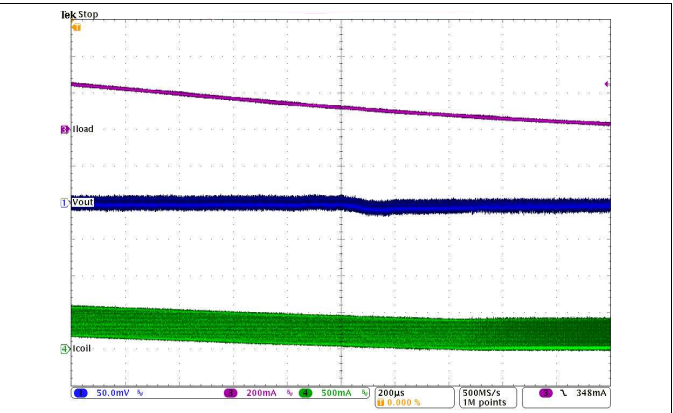
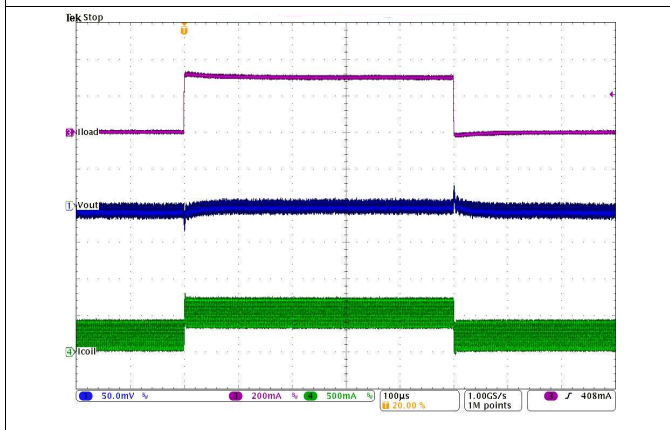
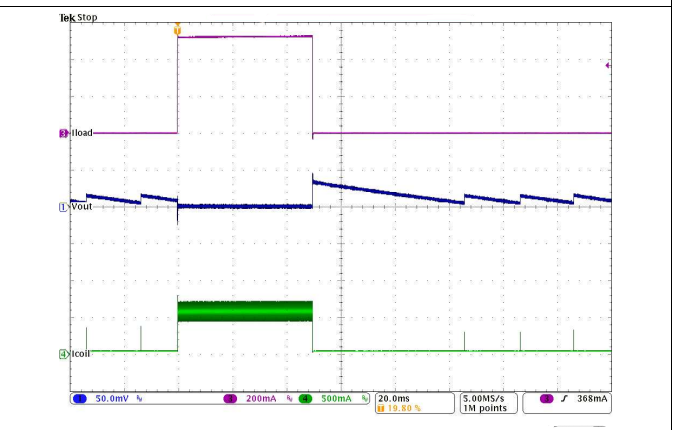


Figure 21. PWM to PSM Mode Transition



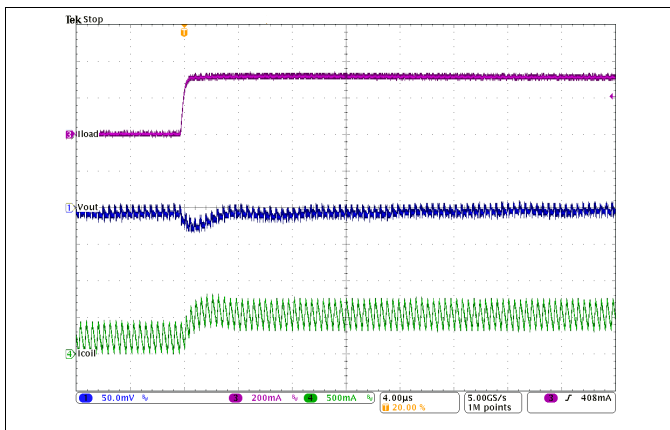
200 mA to 500 mA

Figure 22. Load Transient Response in PWM Mode



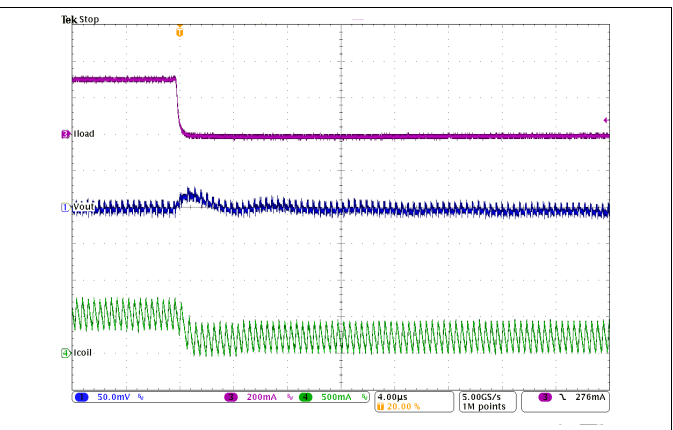
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Figure 23. Load Transient Response from Power Save Mode



200 mA to 500 mA

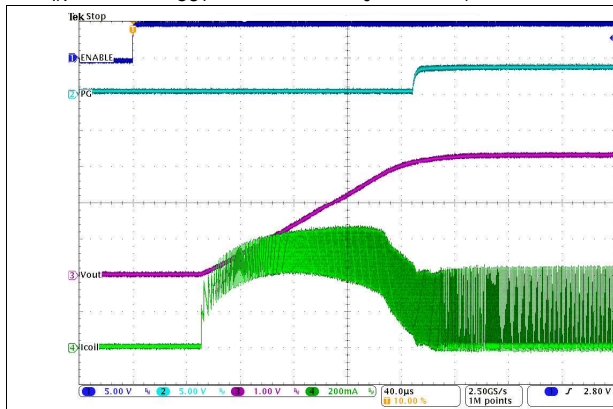
Figure 24. Load Transient Response in PWM Mode, Rising Edge



200 mA to 500 mA

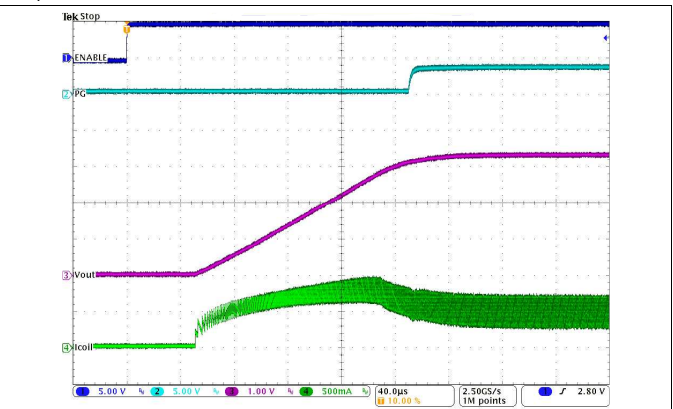
Figure 25. Load Transient Response in PWM Mode, Falling Edge

At $V_{IN} = 12\text{ V}$, $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$ and $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$ (unless otherwise noted)



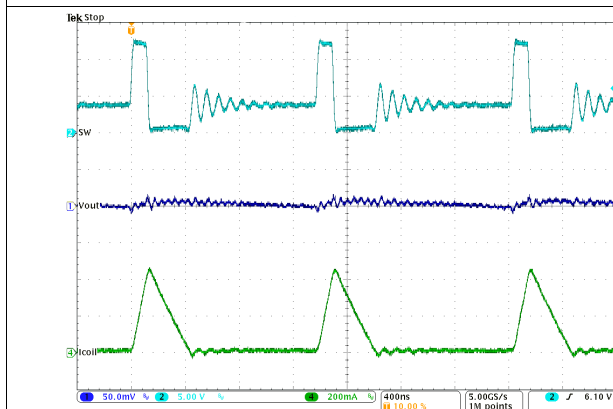
$I_{out} = 100\text{ mA}$

Figure 26. Startup to $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$



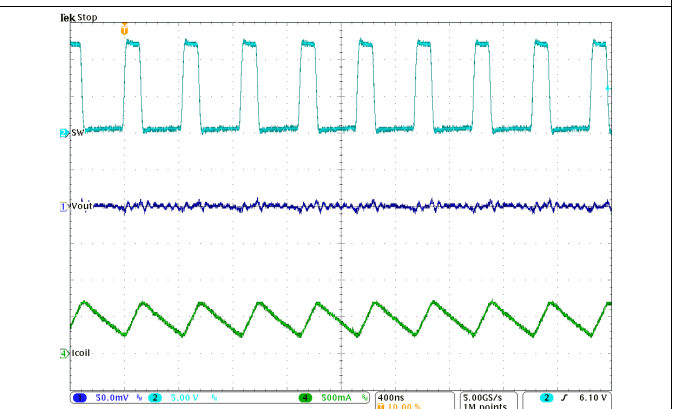
$I_{out} = 500\text{ mA}$

Figure 27. Startup to $V_{OUT} = 3.3\text{ V}$



$I_{out} = 66\text{ mA}$

Figure 28. Typical Operation in Power Save Mode



$I_{out} = 500\text{ mA}$

Figure 29. Typical Operation in PWM Mode

9.3 System Examples

9.3.1 Inverting Power Supply

The TPS62170-Q1 can be used as inverting power supply by rearranging external circuitry as shown in [Figure 30](#). As the former GND node now represents a voltage level below system ground, the voltage difference between V_{IN} and V_{OUT} has to be limited for operation to the maximum supply voltage of 17 V (see [Equation 13](#)).

$$V_{IN} + V_{OUT} \leq V_{IN\max} \quad (13)$$

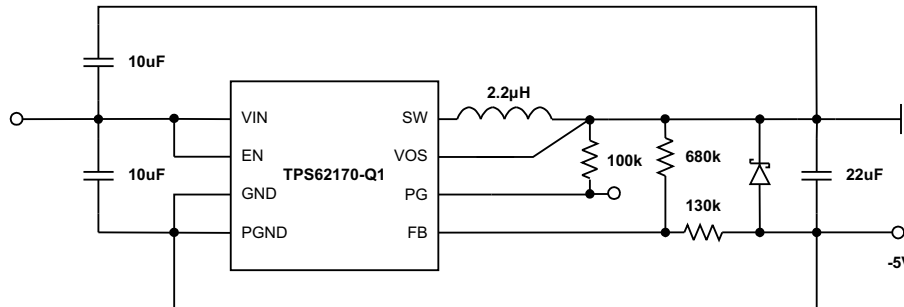


Figure 30. -5-V Inverting Power Supply

The transfer function of the inverting power supply configuration differs from the buck mode transfer function, incorporating a Right Half Plane Zero additionally. The loop stability has to be adapted and an output capacitance of at least 22 μ F is recommended. A detailed design example is given in [SLVA469](#).

9.3.2 Various Output Voltages

The TPS62170-Q1 can be set for different output voltages between 0.9 V and 6 V. Some examples are shown below.

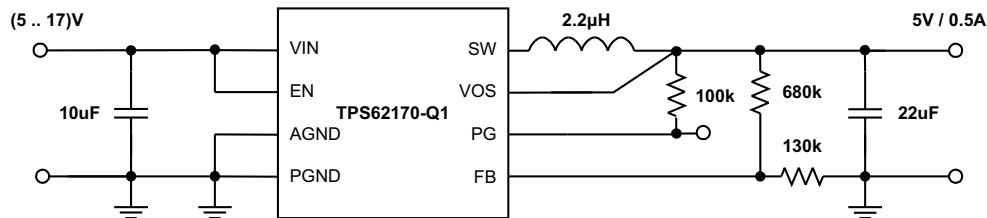
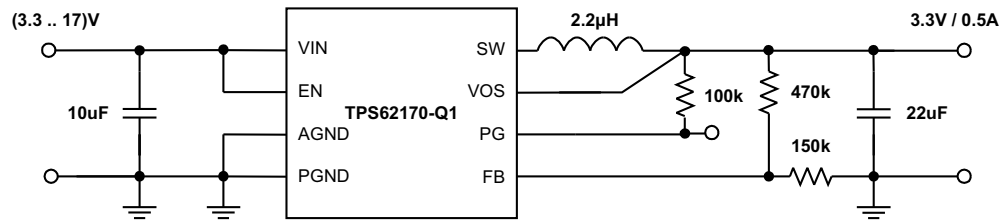
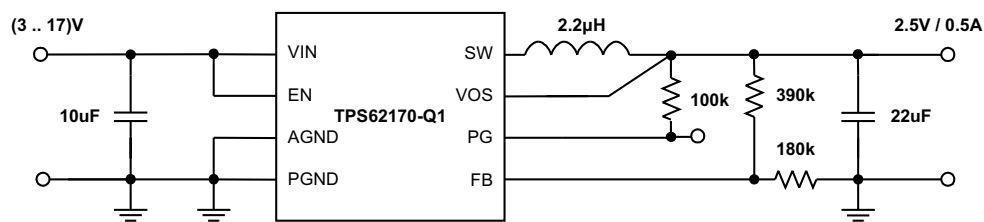
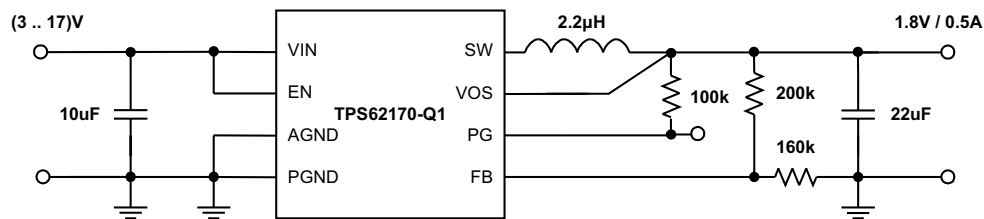
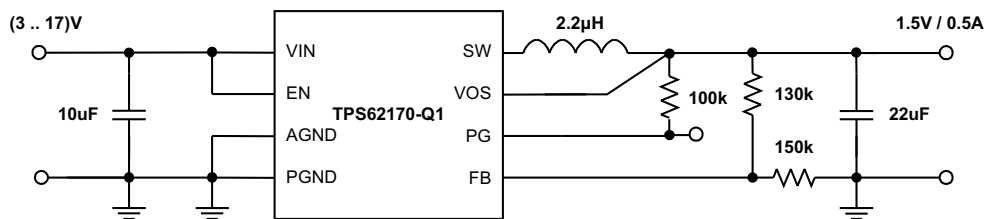


Figure 31. 5-V/0.5-A Power Supply

System Examples (continued)

Figure 32. 3.3-V/0.5-A Power Supply

Figure 33. 2.5-V/0.5-A Power Supply

Figure 34. 1.8-V/0.5-A Power Supply

Figure 35. 1.5-V/0.5-A Power Supply

System Examples (continued)

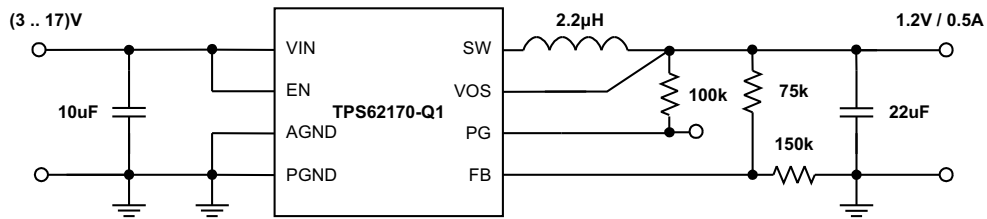


Figure 36. 1.2-V/0.5-A Power Supply

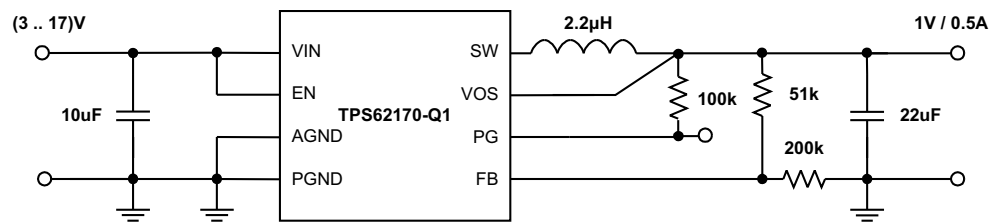


Figure 37. 1-V/0.5-A Power Supply

10 Power Supply Recommendations

The TPS6217x-Q1 are designed to operate from a 3-V to 17-V input voltage supply. The input power supply's output current needs to be rated according to the output voltage and the output current of the power rail application.

11 Layout

11.1 Layout Guidelines

A proper layout is critical for the operation of a switched mode power supply, even more at high switching frequencies. Therefore the PCB layout of the TPS6217x-Q1 demands careful attention to ensure operation and to get the performance specified. A poor layout can lead to issues like poor regulation (both line and load), stability and accuracy weaknesses, increased EMI radiation and noise sensitivity. Considering the following topics ensures best electrical and optimized thermal performance:

- 1) The input capacitor must be placed as close as possible to the VIN and PGND pin of the IC. This provides low resistive and inductive path for the high di/dt input current.
- 2) The VOS pin must be connect in the shortest way to VOUT at the output capacitor - avoiding noise coupling.
- 3) The feedback resistors, R1 and R2 must be connected close to the FB and AGND pins - avoiding noise coupling.
- 4) The output capacitor should be placed such that its ground is as close as possible to the IC's PGND pins - avoiding additional voltage drop in traces.
- 5) The inductor should be placed close to the SW pin and connect directly to the output capacitor - minimizing the loop area between the SW pin, inductor, output capacitor and PGND pin.

More detailed information can be found in the *EVM Users Guide*, [SLVU483](#).

The Exposed Thermal Pad must be soldered to the circuit board for mechanical reliability and to achieve appropriate power dissipation. Although the Exposed Thermal Pad can be connected to a floating circuit board trace, the device will have better thermal performance if it is connected to a larger ground plane. The Exposed Thermal Pad is electrically connected to AGND.

11.2 Layout Example

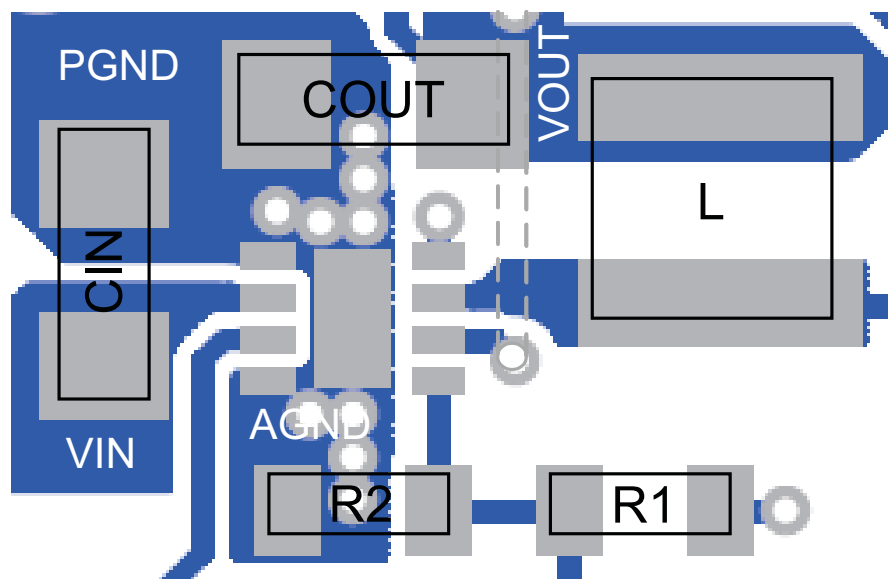


Figure 38. Layout Example

11.3 Thermal Considerations

Implementation of integrated circuits in low-profile and fine-pitch surface-mount packages typically requires special attention to power dissipation. Many system-dependent issues such as thermal coupling, airflow, added heat sinks and convection surfaces, and the presence of other heat-generating components affect the power-dissipation limits of a given component.

Three basic approaches for enhancing thermal performance are listed below:

- Improving the power dissipation capability of the PCB design
- Improving the thermal coupling of the component to the PCB by soldering the Exposed Thermal Pad
- Introducing airflow in the system

For more details on how to use the thermal parameters, see the application notes: Thermal Characteristics Application Note ([SZZA017](#)), and ([SPRA953](#)).

The TPS6217x-Q1 are designed for a maximum operating junction temperature (T_J) of 125°C. Therefore the maximum output power is limited by the power losses that can be dissipated over the actual thermal resistance, given by the package and the surrounding PCB structures. Since the thermal resistance of the package is fixed, increasing the size of the surrounding copper area and improving the thermal connection to the IC can reduce the thermal resistance. To get an improved thermal behavior, it's recommended to use top layer metal to connect the device with wide and thick metal lines. Internal ground layers can connect to vias directly under the IC for improved thermal performance.

If short circuit or overload conditions are present, the device is protected by limiting internal power dissipation.

12 Device and Documentation Support

12.1 Device Support

12.1.1 Third-Party Products Disclaimer

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12.2 Documentation Support

12.2.1 Related Documentation

Optimizing the TPS62130/40/50/60/70 Output Filter Application Report ([SLVA463](#))

Optimizing Transient Response of Internally Compensated dc-dc Converters With Feedforward Capacitor Application Report ([SLVA289](#))

Using a Feedforward Capacitor to Improve Stability and Bandwidth of TPS62130/40/50/60/70 Application Report ([SLVA466](#))

Using the TPS6215x in an Inverting Buck-Boost Topology Application Report ([SLVA469](#))

TPS62160EVM-627 and TPS62170EVM-627 Evaluation Modules User's Guide ([SLVU483](#))

Thermal Characteristics of Linear and Logic Packages Using JEDEC PCB Designs Application Report ([SZZA017](#))

Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics Application Report ([SPRA953](#))

12.3 Related Links

The table below lists quick access links. Categories include technical documents, support and community resources, tools and software, and quick access to sample or buy.

Table 4. Related Links

PARTS	PRODUCT FOLDER	SAMPLE & BUY	TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS	TOOLS & SOFTWARE	SUPPORT & COMMUNITY
TPS62170-Q1	Click here	Click here	Click here	Click here	Click here
TPS62172-Q1	Click here	Click here	Click here	Click here	Click here

12.4 Trademarks

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12.5 Electrostatic Discharge Caution



These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

12.6 Glossary

[SLYZ022](#) — *TI Glossary*.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

13 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead/Ball Finish (6)	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
TPS62170QDSGRQ1	ACTIVE	WSON	DSG	8	3000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	QUEQ	Samples
TPS62170QDSGTQ1	ACTIVE	WSON	DSG	8	250	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	QUEQ	Samples
TPS62172QDSGRQ1	ACTIVE	WSON	DSG	8	3000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	QUGQ	Samples
TPS62172QDSGTQ1	ACTIVE	WSON	DSG	8	250	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	QUGQ	Samples

(1) The marketing status values are defined as follows:

ACTIVE: Product device recommended for new designs.

LIFEBUY: TI has announced that the device will be discontinued, and a lifetime-buy period is in effect.

NRND: Not recommended for new designs. Device is in production to support existing customers, but TI does not recommend using this part in a new design.

PREVIEW: Device has been announced but is not in production. Samples may or may not be available.

OBsolete: TI has discontinued the production of the device.

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(3) MSL, Peak Temp. - The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

(4) There may be additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category on the device.

(5) Multiple Device Markings will be inside parentheses. Only one Device Marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "~" will appear on a device. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire Device Marking for that device.

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OTHER QUALIFIED VERSIONS OF TPS62170-Q1, TPS62172-Q1 :

- Catalog: [TPS62170](#), [TPS62172](#)

NOTE: Qualified Version Definitions:

- Catalog - TI's standard catalog product

TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION

QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE


*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
TPS62170QDSGRQ1	WSON	DSG	8	3000	180.0	8.4	2.3	2.3	1.15	4.0	8.0	Q2
TPS62170QDSGTQ1	WSON	DSG	8	250	180.0	8.4	2.3	2.3	1.15	4.0	8.0	Q2
TPS62172QDSGRQ1	WSON	DSG	8	3000	180.0	8.4	2.3	2.3	1.15	4.0	8.0	Q2
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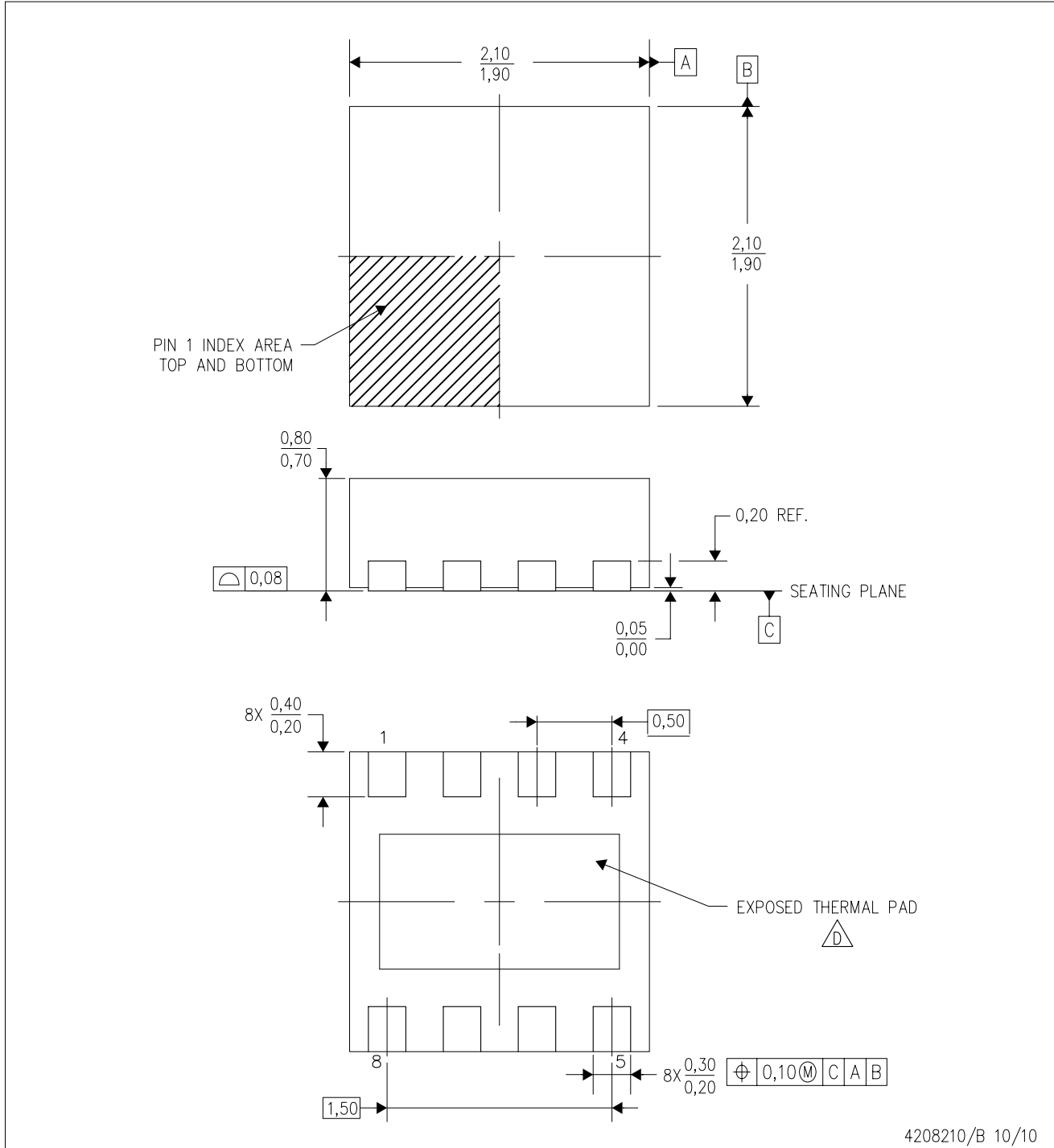
TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS


*All dimensions are nominal


Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
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TPS62170QDSGTQ1	WSON	DSG	8	250	210.0	185.0	35.0
TPS62172QDSGRQ1	WSON	DSG	8	3000	210.0	185.0	35.0
TPS62172QDSGTQ1	WSON	DSG	8	250	210.0	185.0	35.0

DSG (S-PWSON-N8)

PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE NO-LEAD



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- NOTES:
- A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M-1994.
 - B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - C. Quad Flatpack, No-Leads (QFN) package configuration.
 -  The package thermal pad must be soldered to the board for thermal and mechanical performance. See the Product Data Sheet for details regarding the exposed thermal pad dimensions.
 - E. Falls within JEDEC MO-229.

THERMAL PAD MECHANICAL DATA

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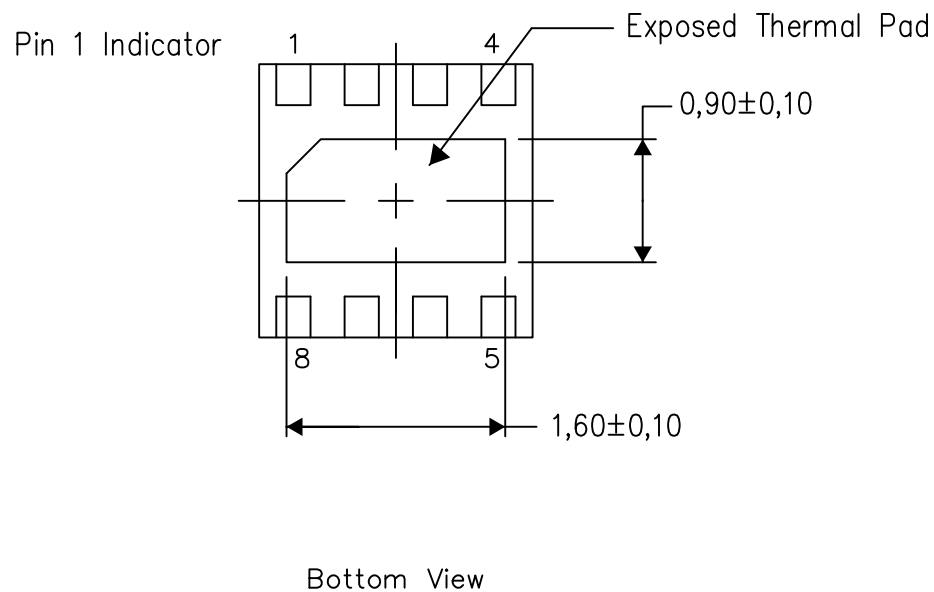
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THERMAL INFORMATION

This package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached directly to an external heatsink. The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the printed circuit board (PCB). After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

For information on the Quad Flatpack No-Lead (QFN) package and its advantages, refer to Application Report, QFN/SON PCB Attachment, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271. This document is available at www.ti.com.

The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.



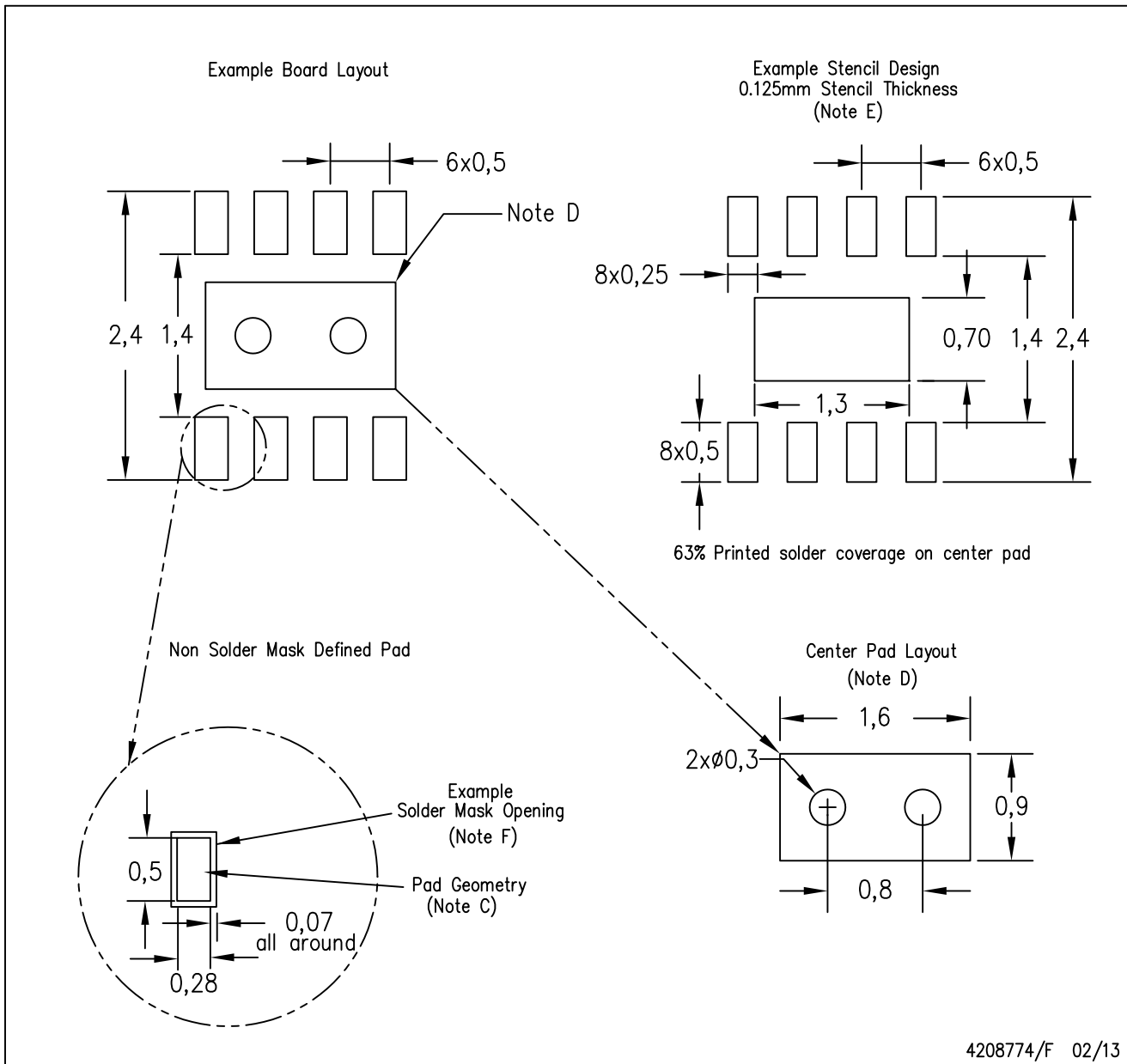
Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

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NOTE: All linear dimensions are in millimeters

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- NOTES:
- All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
 - This drawing is subject to change without notice.
 - Publication IPC-7351 is recommended for alternate designs.
 - This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Application Note, QFN/SON PCB Attachment, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271, and also the Product Data Sheets for specific thermal information, via requirements, and recommended board layout. These documents are available at www.ti.com <<http://www.ti.com>>.
 - Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC 7525 for stencil design considerations.
 - Customers should contact their board fabrication site for solder mask tolerances.

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