LM26420-Q1 Dual 2-A, Automotive-Qualified, High-Efficiency Synchronous DC/DC Converter

1 Features

- Qualified for automotive applications
- AEC Q100-qualified with the following results:
  - Device temperature grade 0 (Q0): –40°C to +150°C ambient operating temperature
  - Device temperature grade 1 (Q1): –40°C to +125°C ambient operating temperature
- Functional Safety-Capable
  - Documentation available to aid functional safety system design
- Compliant with CISPR25 class 5 conducted emissions
- Input voltage range of 3 V to 5.5 V
- Output voltage range of 0.8 V to 4.5 V
- 2-A Output current per regulator
- Fixed 2.2-MHz switching frequency
- 0.8 V, 1.5% Internal voltage reference
- Internal soft start
- Independent power good and precision enable for each output
- Current mode, PWM operation
- Thermal shutdown
- Overvoltage protection
- Start-up into prebiased output loads
- Regulators are 180° out of phase
- Create a custom design using the LM26420-Q1 with the WEBENCH® Power Designer

2 Applications

- Automotive infotainment & cluster
- Advanced driver assistance systems (ADAS)

3 Description

The LM26420-Q1 regulator is a monolithic, high-efficiency dual PWM step-down DC/DC converter. This device has the ability to drive two 2-A loads with an internal 75-mΩ PMOS top switch and an internal 50-mΩ NMOS bottom switch using state-of-the-art BICMOS technology results in the best power density available. The world-class control circuitry allow on times as low as 30 ns, thus supporting exceptionally high-frequency conversion over the entire 3-V to 5.5-V input operating range down to the minimum output voltage of 0.8 V.

Although the operating frequency is high, efficiencies up to 93% are easy to achieve. External shutdown is included, featuring an ultra-low standby current. The LM26420-Q1 utilizes current-mode control and internal compensation to provide high performance regulation over a wide range of operating conditions.

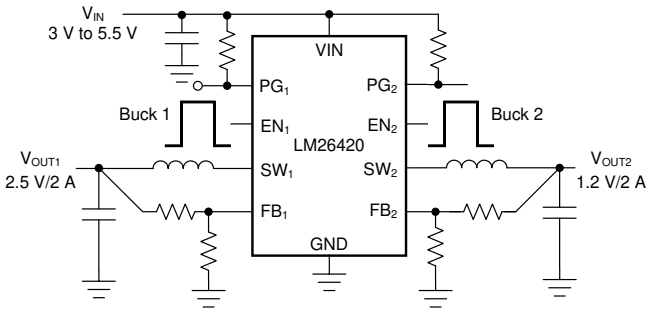
Because its switching frequency is ensured to be greater than 2 MHz, the LM26420-Q1 can be used in automotive applications without causing interference in the AM frequency band.

Device Information(1)

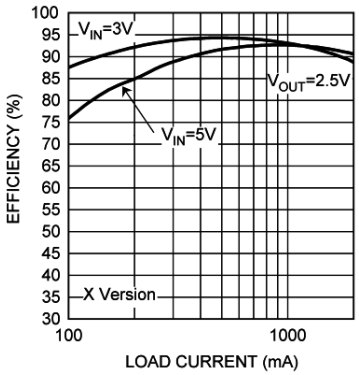
PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)
LM26420-Q1	HTSSOP (20)	6.50 mm × 4.40 mm
	WQFN (16)	4.00 mm × 4.00 mm

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

LM26420 Dual Buck DC/DC Converter



LM26420 Efficiency (Up to 93%)



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4 Revision History

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• Added functional safety bullet in the *Features*	1

Changes from Original (May 2018) to Revision A	Page
• Updated Power Supply Recommendations	28

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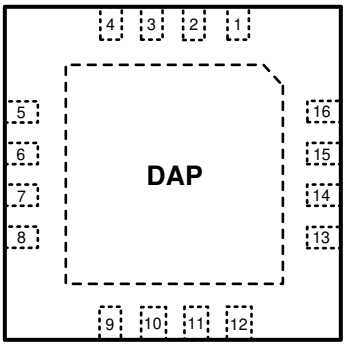
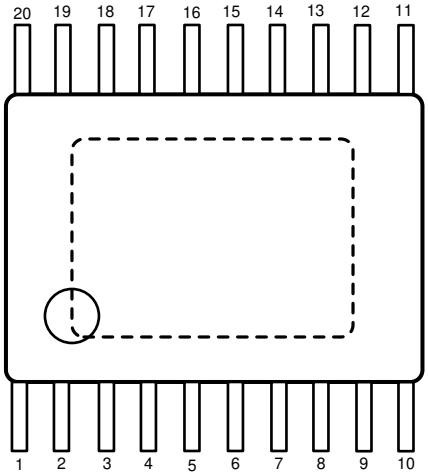
5 Pin Configuration and Functions

RUM Package
16-Pin WQFN
Top View



PWP Package
20-Pin HTSSOP
Top View



Pin Functions: 16-Pin WQFN

PIN		TYPE	DESCRIPTION
NUMBER	NAME		
1,2	$VIND_1$	P	Power input supply for Buck 1
3	SW_1	P	Output switch for Buck 1. Connect to the inductor.
4	$PGND_1$	G	Power ground pin for Buck 1
5	FB_1	A	Feedback pin for Buck 1. Connect to external resistor divider to set output voltage.
6	PG_1	G	Power Good Indicator for Buck 1. Pin is connected through a resistor to an external supply (open-drain output).
7	PG_2	G	Power Good Indicator for Buck 2. Pin is connected through a resistor to an external supply (open-drain output).
8	FB_2	A	Feedback pin for Buck 2. Connect to external resistor divider to set output voltage.
9	$PGND_2$	G	Power ground pin for Buck 2
10	SW_2	P	Output switch for Buck 2. Connect to the inductor.
11, 12	$VIND_2$	A	Power Input supply for Buck 2
13	EN_2	A	Enable control input. Logic high enable operation for Buck 2. Do not allow this pin to float or be greater than V_{IN} + 0.3 V.
14	AGND	G	Signal ground pin. Place the bottom resistor of the feedback network as close as possible to pin.
15	VINC	A	Input supply for control circuitry
16	EN_1	A	Enable control input. Logic high enable operation for Buck 1. Do not allow this pin to float or be greater than V_{IN} + 0.3 V.
DAP	Die Attach Pad	—	Connect to system ground for low thermal impedance and as a primary electrical GND connection.

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Pin Functions 20-Pin HTSSOP

PIN		TYPE	DESCRIPTION
NUMBER	NAME		
1	VINC	A	Input supply for control circuitry
2	EN_1	A	Enable control input. Logic high enable operation for Buck 1. Do not allow this pin to float or be greater than V_{IN} + 0.3 V.
3, 4	$VIND_1$	A	Power Input supply for Buck 1
5	SW_1	P	Output switch for Buck 1. Connect to the inductor.
6,7	$PGND_1$	G	Power ground pin for Buck 1
8	FB_1	A	Feedback pin for Buck 1. Connect to external resistor divider to set output voltage.
9	PG_1	G	Power Good Indicator for Buck 1. Pin is connected through a resistor to an external supply (open-drain output).
10, 11, DAP	Die Attach Pad	—	Connect to system ground for low thermal impedance, but it cannot be used as a primary GND connection.
12	PG_2	G	Power Good Indicator for Buck 2. Pin is connected through a resistor to an external supply (open-drain output).
13	FB_2	A	Feedback pin for Buck 2. Connect to external resistor divider to set output voltage.
14, 15	$PGND_2$	G	Power ground pin for Buck 2
16	SW_2	P	Output switch for Buck 2. Connect to the inductor.
17, 18	$VIND_2$	A	Power Input supply for Buck 2
19	EN_2	A	Enable control input. Logic high enable operation for Buck 2. Do not allow this pin to float or be greater than V_{IN} + 0.3 V.
20	AGND	G	Signal ground pin. Place the bottom resistor of the feedback network as close as possible to pin.

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6 Specifications

6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

Over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)(1)

		MIN	MAX	UNIT
Input voltages	VIN	–0.5	7	V
	FB	–0.5	3	
	EN	–0.5	7	
Output voltages	SW	–0.5	7	V
Infrared or convection reflow (15 sec)	Soldering Information		220	°C
Storage temperature 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.

6.2 ESD Ratings

				VALUE	UNIT
$V_{(ESD)}$	Electrostatic discharge	Human-body model (HBM), per AEC Q100-002(1)		±2000	V
		Charged-device model (CDM), per AEC Q100-011	Other pins	±750	
			Corner pins 1, 10, 11, and 20	±750	

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

6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

Over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

	MIN	MAX	UNIT
V_{IN}	3	5.5	V
Junction temperature (Q1)	–40	125	°C
Junction temperature (Q0)	–40	150	

6.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC(1)		LM26420-Q1		UNIT
		PWP (HTSSOP)	RUM (WQFN)	
		20 PINS	16 PINS	
$R_{\theta JA}$	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	38.5	36.2	°C/W
$R_{\theta JC(top)}$	Junction-to-case thermal resistance	21.0	32.7	°C/W
$R_{\theta JB}$	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	19.9	14.1	°C/W
ψ_{JT}	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	0.7	0.3	°C/W
ψ_{JB}	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	19.7	14.2	°C/W
$R_{\theta JC(bot)}$	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	3.5	4.1	°C/W

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report.

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6.5 Electrical Characteristics Per Buck

Over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
V_{FB}	Feedback Voltage		0.788	0.8	0.812	V
$\Delta V_{FB}/V_{IN}$	Feedback Voltage Line Regulation	V_{IN} = 3 V to 5.5 V		0.05		%/V
I_B	Feedback Input Bias Current			0.4	100	nA
UVLO	Undervoltage Lockout	V_{IN} Rising		2.628	2.9	V
		V_{IN} Falling	2	2.3		V
	UVLO Hysteresis			330		mV
F_{SW}	Switching Frequency		2.01	2.2	2.65	MHz
F_{FB}	Frequency Foldback			300		kHz
D_{MAX}	Maximum Duty Cycle		86%	91.5%		
R_{DSON_TOP}	TOP Switch On Resistance	WQFN-16 Package		75	135	mΩ
		HTSSOP-20 Package		70	135	
R_{DSON_BOT}	BOTTOM Switch On Resistance	WQFN-16 Package		55	100	mΩ
		TSSOP-20 Package		45	80	
I_{CL_TOP}	TOP Switch Current Limit	V_{IN} = 3.3 V	2.4	3.3		A
I_{CL_BOT}	BOTTOM Switch Reverse Current Limit	V_{IN} = 3.3 V	0.4	0.75		A
$\Delta\Phi$	Phase Shift Between SW_1 and SW_2		160	180	200	°
V_{EN_TH}	Enable Threshold Voltage		0.97	1.04	1.12	V
	Enable Threshold Hysteresis			0.15		
I_{SW_TOP}	Switch Leakage			–0.7		µA
I_{EN}	Enable Pin Current	Sink/Source		5		nA
$V_{PG\text{-}TH\text{-}U}$	Upper Power Good Threshold	FB Pin Voltage Rising	848	925	1,008	mV
	Upper Power Good Hysteresis			40		mV
$V_{PG\text{-}TH\text{-}L}$	Lower Power Good Threshold	FB Pin Voltage Rising	656	710	791	mV
	Lower Power Good Hysteresis			40		mV
I_{QVINC}	VINC Quiescent Current (non-switching) with both outputs on	V_{FB} = 0.9 V		3.3	5	mA
	VINC Quiescent Current (switching) with both outputs on	V_{FB} = 0.7 V		4.7	6.2	
	VINC Quiescent Current (shutdown)	V_{EN} = 0 V		0.05		µA
I_{QVIND}	VIND Quiescent Current (non-switching)	V_{FB} = 0.9 V		0.9	1.5	mA
	VIND Quiescent Current (switching)	V_{FB} = 0.7 V		11	15	
I_{QVIND}	VIND Quiescent Current (switching)	LM26420Q0 V_{FB} = 0.7 V		11	18	mA
I_{QVIND}	VIND Quiescent Current (shutdown)	V_{EN} = 0 V		0.1		µA
T_{SD}	Thermal Shutdown Temperature			165		°C

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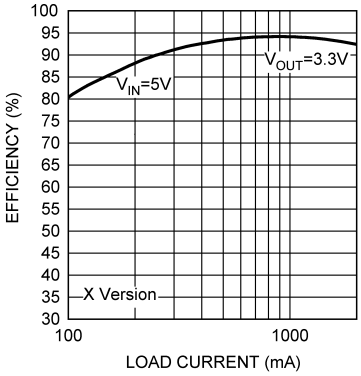
6.6 Typical Characteristics

All curves taken at V_{IN} = 5 V with configuration in typical application circuits shown in *Application and Implementation*. T_J = 25°C, unless otherwise specified.



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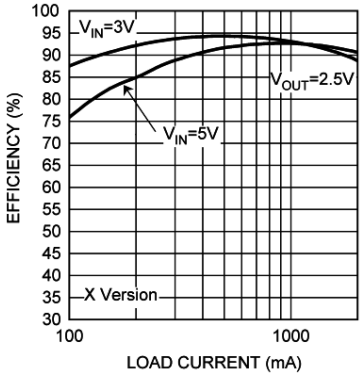

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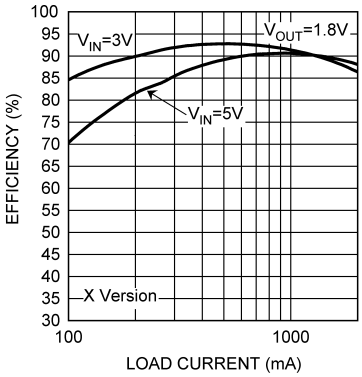

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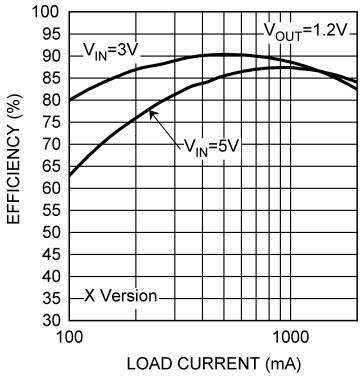

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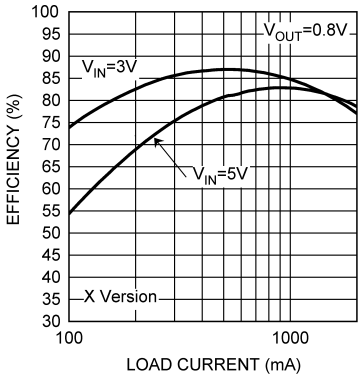

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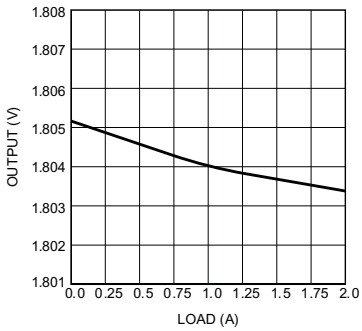

V_{IN} = 5 V V_{OUT} = 1.8 V

Figure 6. Load Regulation

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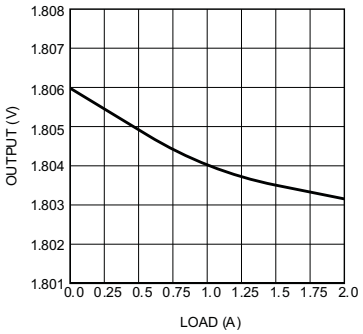

V_{IN} = 3 V V_{OUT} = 1.8 V

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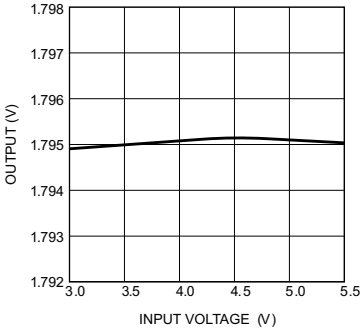
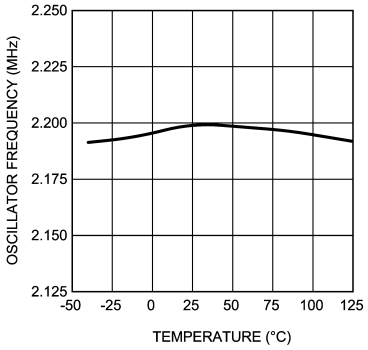


V_{OUT} = 1.8 V I_{OUT} = 1000 mA

Figure 8. Line Regulation



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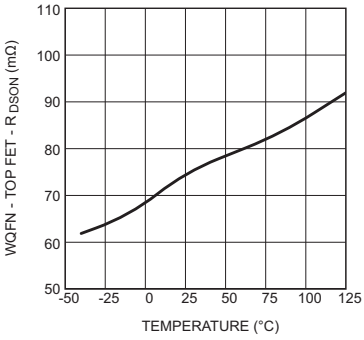

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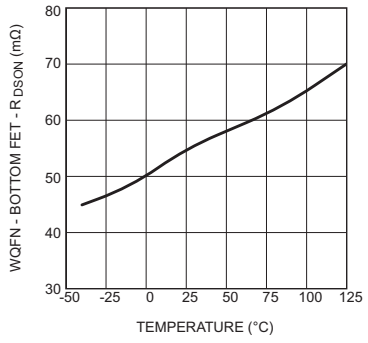

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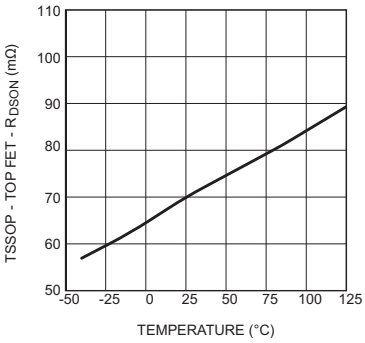

Figure 12. R_{DSON} Top Vs Temperature (TSSOP-20 Package)

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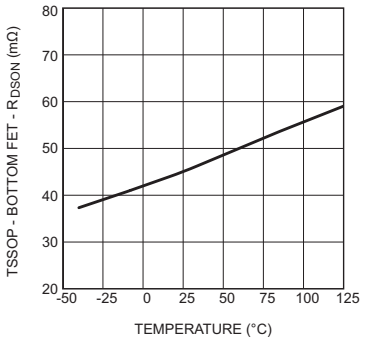

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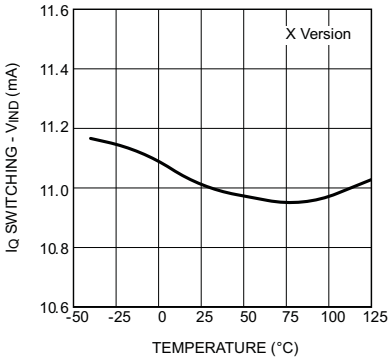

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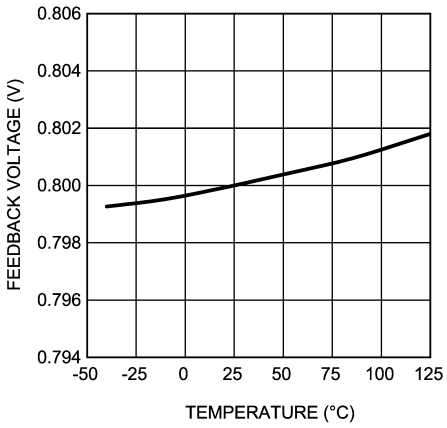

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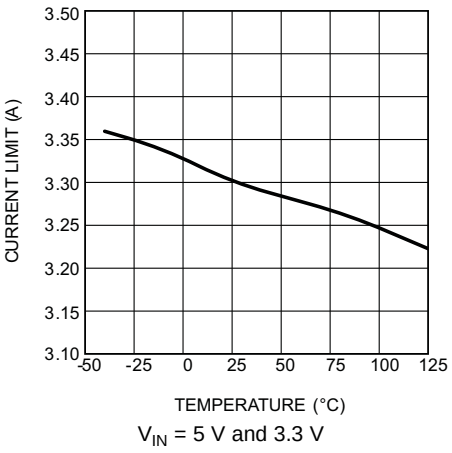

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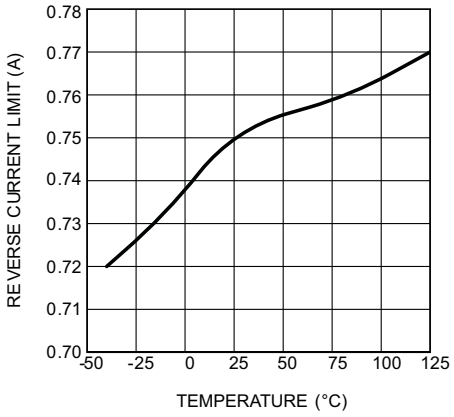

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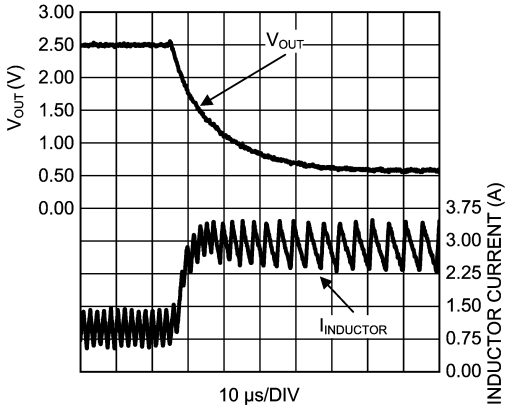

Figure 18. Short Circuit Waveforms

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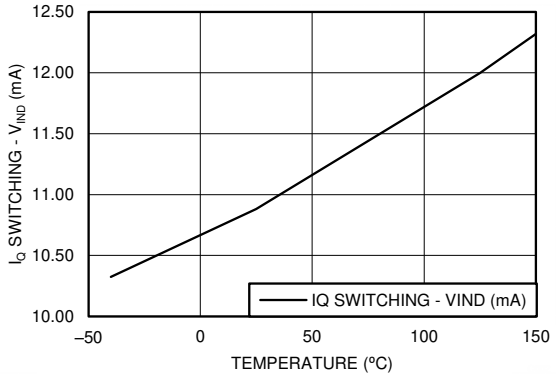

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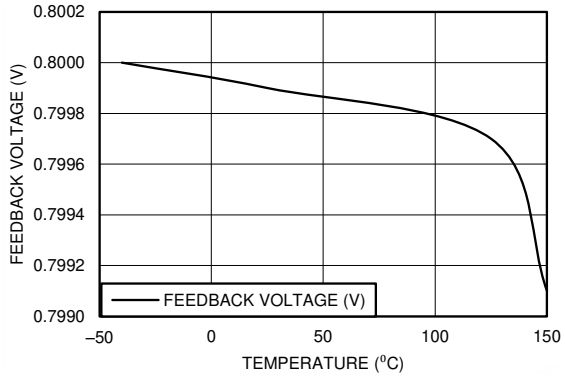

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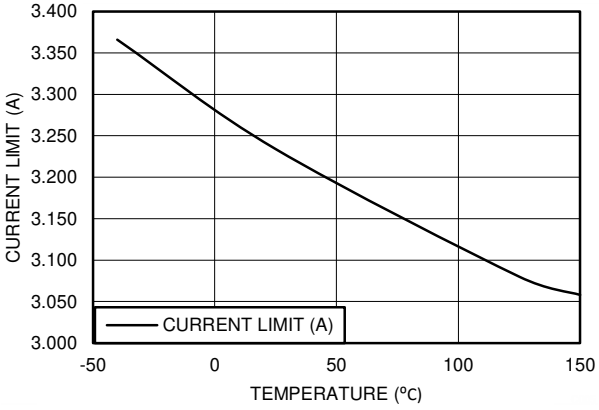

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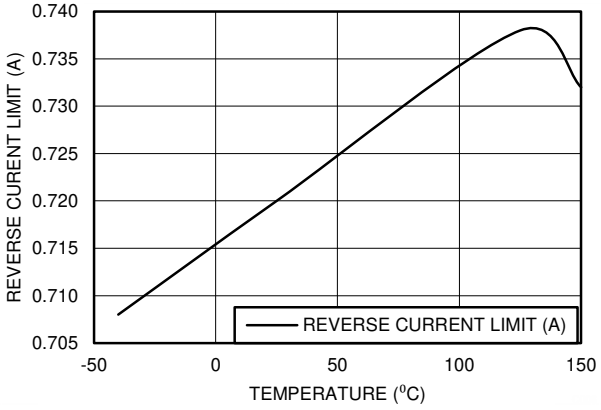

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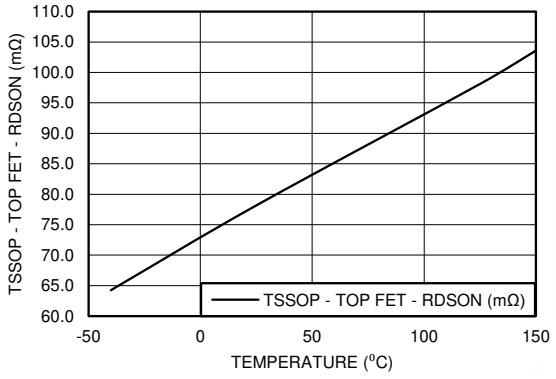

Figure 23. R_{DSON} Top vs Temperature (Q0 Grade)

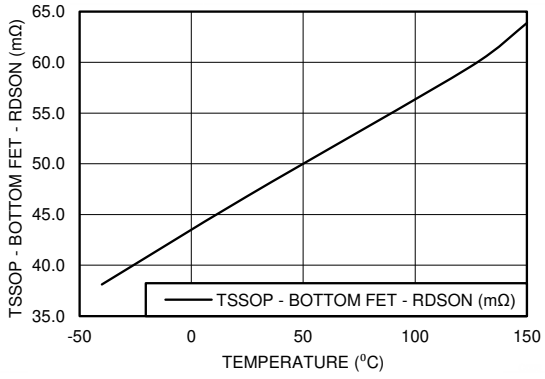

Figure 24. R_{DSON} Bottom vs Temperature (Q0 Grade)

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Typical Characteristics (continued)

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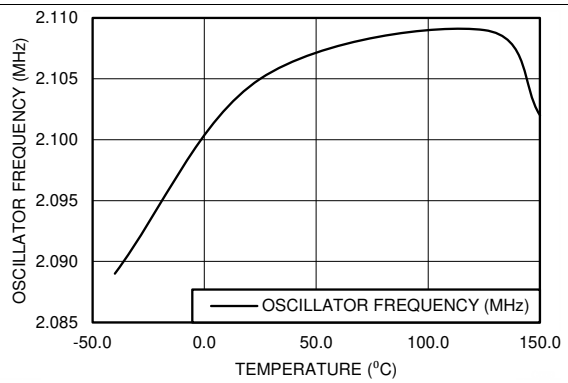

Figure 25. Oscillator Frequency vs Temperature (Q0 Grade)

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7 Detailed Description

7.1 Overview

The LM26420-Q1 is a constant frequency dual PWM buck synchronous regulator device that can supply two loads at up to 2 A each. The regulator has a preset switching frequency of 2.2 MHz. This high frequency allows the LM26420-Q1 to operate with small surface mount capacitors and inductors, resulting in a DC/DC converter that requires a minimum amount of board space. The LM26420-Q1 is internally compensated, so it is simple to use and requires few external components. The LM26420-Q1 uses current-mode control to regulate the output voltage. The following operating description of the LM26420-Q1 refers to the *Functional Block Diagram*, which depicts the functional blocks for one of the two channels, and to the waveforms in Figure 26. The LM26420-Q1 supplies a regulated output voltage by switching the internal PMOS and NMOS switches at constant frequency and variable duty cycle. A switching cycle begins at the falling edge of the reset pulse generated by the internal clock. When this pulse goes low, the output control logic turns on the internal PMOS control switch (TOP Switch). During this on-time, the SW pin voltage (V_{SW}) swings up to approximately V_{IN}, and the inductor current (I_L) increases with a linear slope. I_L is measured by the current sense amplifier, which generates an output proportional to the switch current. The sense signal is summed with the corrective ramp of the regulator and compared to the output of the error amplifier, which is proportional to the difference between the feedback voltage and V_{REF}. When the PWM comparator output goes high, the TOP Switch turns off and the NMOS switch (BOTTOM Switch) turns on after a short delay, which is controlled by the Dead-Time-Control Logic, until the next switching cycle begins. During the top switch off-time, inductor current discharges through the BOTTOM Switch, which forces the SW pin to swing to ground. The regulator loop adjusts the duty cycle (D) to maintain a constant output voltage.

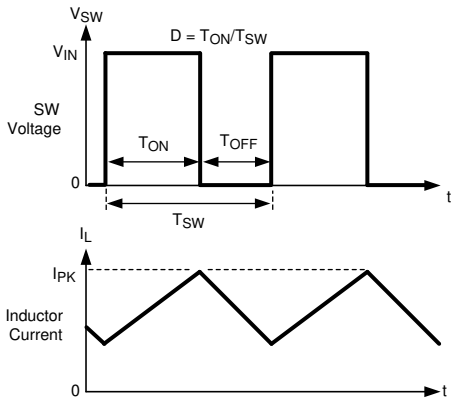

Figure 26. LM26420-Q1 Basic Operation of the PWM Comparator

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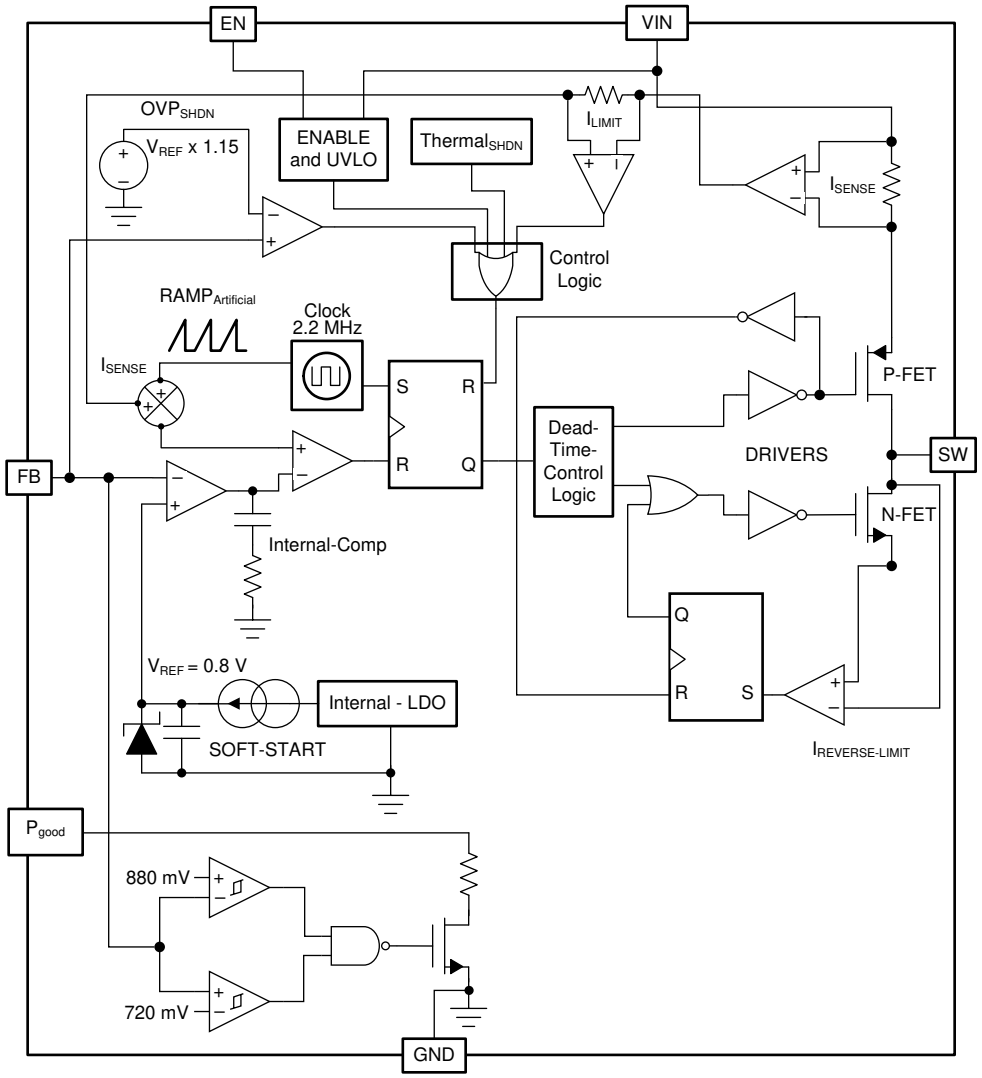
7.2 Functional Block Diagram



7.3 Feature Description

7.3.1 Soft Start

This function forces V_{OUT} to increase at a controlled rate during start-up in a controlled fashion, which helps reduce inrush current and eliminate overshoot on V_{OUT}. During soft start, reference voltage of the error amplifier ramps from 0 V to its nominal value of 0.8 V in approximately 600 µs. If the converter is turned on into a pre-biased load, then the feedback begins ramping from the prebias voltage but at the same rate as if it had started from 0 V. The two outputs start up ratiometrically if enabled at the same time, see Figure 27.

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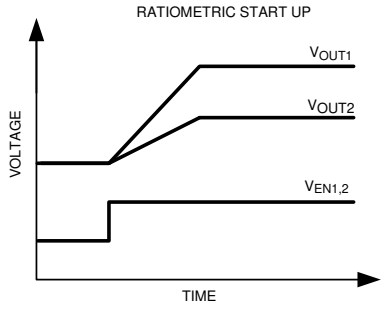

Figure 27. LM26420 Soft Start

7.3.2 Power Good

The LM26420-Q1 features an open-drain power good (PG) pin to sequence external supplies or loads and to provide fault detection. This pin requires an external resistor (R_{PG}) to pull PG high when the output is within the PG tolerance window. Typical values for this resistor range from 10 kΩ to 100 kΩ.

7.3.3 Precision Enable

The LM26420-Q1 features independent precision enables that allow the converter to be controlled by an external signal. This feature allows the device to be sequenced either by a external control signal or the output of another converter in conjunction with a resistor divider network. It can also be set to turn on at a specific input voltage when used in conjunction with a resistor divider network connected to the input voltage. The device is enabled when the EN pin exceeds 1.04 V and has a 150-mV hysteresis.

7.4 Device Functional Modes

7.4.1 Output Overvoltage Protection

The overvoltage comparator compares the FB pin voltage to a voltage that is approximately 15% greater than the internal reference, V_{REF}. Once the FB pin voltage goes 15% above the internal reference, the internal PMOS switch is turned off, which allows the output voltage to decrease toward regulation.

7.4.2 Undervoltage Lockout

Undervoltage lockout (UVLO) prevents the LM26420-Q1 from operating until the input voltage exceeds 2.628 V (typical). The UVLO threshold has approximately 330 mV of hysteresis, so the device operates until V_{IN} drops below 2.3 V (typical). Hysteresis prevents the part from turning off during power up if V_{IN} is non-monotonic.

7.4.3 Current Limit

The LM26420-Q1 uses cycle-by-cycle current limiting to protect the output switch. During each switching cycle, a current limit comparator detects if the output switch current exceeds 3.3 A (typical), and turns off the switch until the next switching cycle begins.

7.4.4 Thermal Shutdown

Thermal shutdown limits total power dissipation by turning off the output switch when the device junction temperature exceeds 165°C. After thermal shutdown occurs, the output switch does not turn on until the junction temperature drops to approximately 150°C.

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8 Application and Implementation

NOTE

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

8.1 Application Information

8.1.1 Programming Output Voltage

The output voltage is set using Equation 1 where R2 is connected between the FB pin and GND, and R1 is connected between V_{OUT} and the FB pin. A good value for R2 is 10 kΩ. When designing a unity gain converter (V_{OUT} = 0.8 V), R1 must be between 0 Ω and 100 Ω, and R2 must be on the order of 5 kΩ to 50 kΩ. 10 kΩ is the suggested value where R1 is the top feedback resistor and R2 is the bottom feedback resistor.

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

$$V_{REF} = 0.80\ V \quad (2)$$

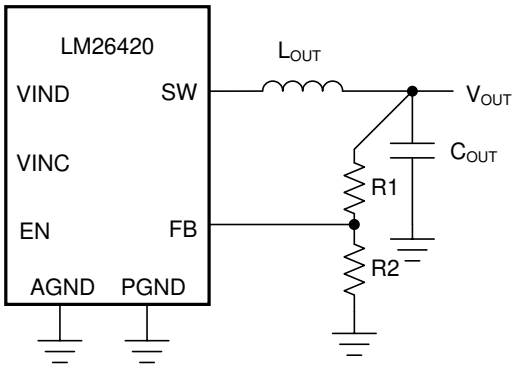

Figure 28. Programming V_{OUT}

To determine the maximum allowed resistor tolerance, use Equation 3:

$$\sigma = \left(\frac{1}{1 + 2x\frac{1 - \frac{V_{FB}}{V_{OUT}}}{TOL - \phi}}\right) \quad (3)$$

where

- TOL is the set point accuracy of the regulator, is the tolerance of V_{FB}.

Example:

V_{OUT} = 2.5 V, with a setpoint accuracy of ±3.5%

$$\sigma = \left(\frac{1}{1 + 2x\frac{1 - \frac{0.8V}{2.5V}}{3.5\% - 1.5\%}}\right) = 1.4\% \quad (4)$$

Choose 1% resistors. If R2 = 10 kΩ, then R1 is 21.25 kΩ.

Application Information (continued)

8.1.2 VINC Filtering Components

Additional filtering is required between VINC and AGND in order to prevent high frequency noise on VIN from disturbing the sensitive circuitry connected to VINC. A small RC filter can be used on the VINC pin as shown in Figure 29.

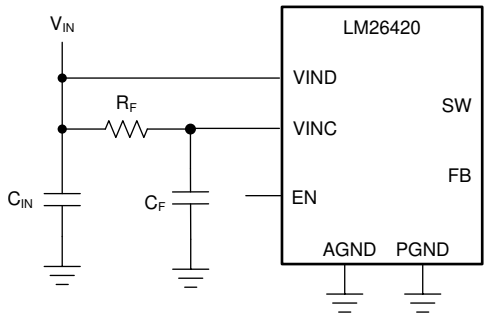

Figure 29. RC Filter On VINC

In general, R_F is typically between 1 Ω and 10 Ω so that the steady state voltage drop across the resistor due to the VINC bias current does not affect the UVLO level. C_F can range from 0.22 µF to 1 µF in X7R or X5R dielectric, where the RC time constant should be at least 2 µs. C_F must be placed as close to the device as possible with a direct connection from VINC and AGND.

8.1.3 Using Precision Enable and Power Good

The LM26420-Q1 device precision EN and PG pins address many of the sequencing requirements required in today's challenging applications. Each output can be controlled independently and have independent power good. This allows for a multitude of ways to control each output. Typically, the enables to each output are tied together to the input voltage and the outputs ratiometrically ramp up when the input voltage reaches above UVLO rising threshold. There can be instances where it is desired that the second output (V_{OUT2}) does not turn on until the first output (V_{OUT1}) has reached 90% of the desired setpoint. This is easily achieved with an external resistor divider attached from V_{OUT1} to EN_2, see Figure 30.

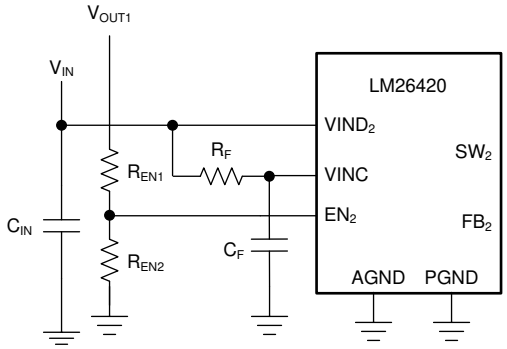

Figure 30. V_{OUT1} Controlling V_{OUT2} with Resistor Divider

If it is not desired to have a resistor divider to control V_{OUT2} with V_{OUT1}, then the PG_1 can be connected to the EN_2 pin to control V_{OUT2}, see Figure 31. R_{PG1} is a pullup resistor on the range of 10 kΩ to 100 kΩ. 50 kΩ is the suggested value. This turns on V_{OUT2} when V_{OUT1} is approximately 90% of the programmed output.

NOTE

This also turns off V_{OUT2} when V_{OUT1} is outside the ±10% of the programmed output.

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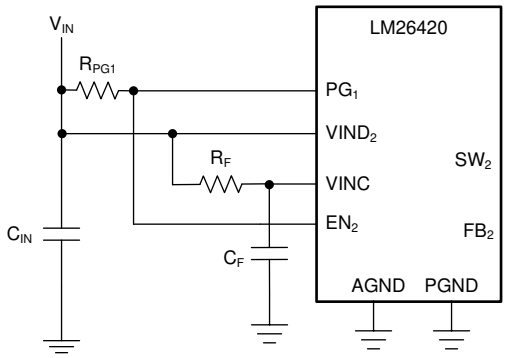

Figure 31. PG_1 Controlling V_{OUT2}

Another example might be that the output is not to be turned on until the input voltage reaches 90% of desired voltage setpoint. This verifies that the input supply is stable before turning on the output. Select R_{EN1} and R_{EN2} so that the voltage at the EN pin is greater than 1.12 V when reaching the 90% desired set-point.

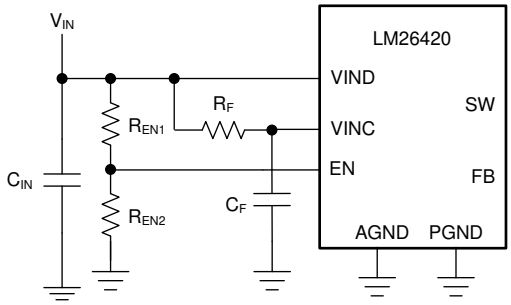

Figure 32. V_{OUT} Controlling V_{IN}

The power good feature of the LM26420-Q1 is designed with hysteresis to ensure no false power good flags are asserted during large transient. Once power good is asserted high, it is not pulled low until the output voltage exceeds ±14% of the setpoint for a during of approximately 7.5 µs (typical), see Figure 33.

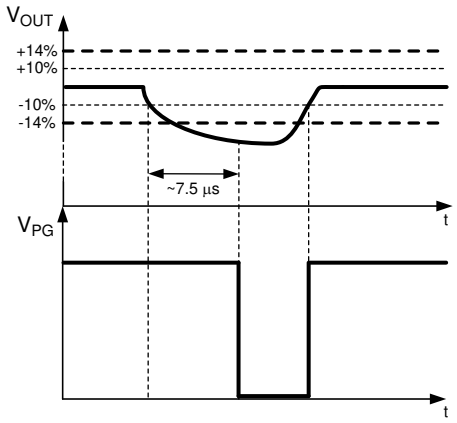

Figure 33. Power Good Hysteresis Operation

Application Information (continued)

8.1.4 Overcurrent Protection

When the switch current reaches the current limit value, it is turned off immediately. This effectively reduces the duty cycle and therefore the output voltage dips and continues to droop until the output load matches the peak current limit inductor current. As the FB voltage drops below 480 mV, the operating frequency begins to decrease until it hits full on frequency foldback, which is set to approximately 300 kHz. Frequency foldback helps reduce the thermal stress in the device by reducing the switching losses and to prevent runaway of the inductor current when the output is shorted to ground.

It is important to note that when recovering from a overcurrent condition, the converter does not go through the soft start process. There can be an overshoot due to the sudden removal of the overcurrent fault. The reference voltage at the non-inverting input of the error amplifier always sits at 0.8 V during the overcurrent condition, therefore, when the fault is removed, the converter brings the FB voltage back to 0.8 V as quickly as possible. The overshoot depends on whether there is a load on the output after the removal of the overcurrent fault, the size of the inductor, and the amount of capacitance on the output. The smaller the inductor and the larger the capacitance on the output, the smaller the overshoot.

NOTE

Overcurrent protection for each output is independent.

8.2 Typical Applications

8.2.1 2.2-MHz, 0.8-V Typical High-Efficiency Application Circuit

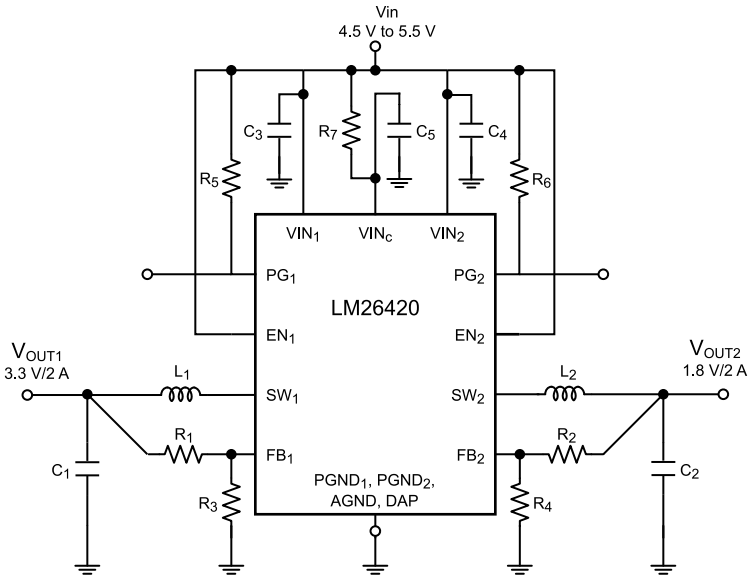

Figure 34. LM26420-Q1 (2.2 MHz): V_{IN} = 5 V, V_{OUT1} = 1.8 V at 2 A and V_{OUT2} = 0.8 V at 2 A

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Typical Applications (continued)

8.2.1.1 Design Requirements

Example requirements for typical synchronous DC/DC converter applications:

Table 1. Design Parameters

DESIGN PARAMETER	VALUE
V_{OUT}	Output voltage
V_{IN} (minimum)	Maximum input voltage
V_{IN} (maximum)	Minimum input voltage
I_{OUT} (maximum)	Maximum output current
f_{SW}	Switching frequency

8.2.1.2 Detailed Design Procedure

8.2.1.2.1 Custom Design With WEBENCH® Tools

Click here to create a custom design using the LM26420-Q1 device with the WEBENCH® Power Designer.

1. Start by entering the input voltage (V_{IN}), output voltage (V_{OUT}), and output current (I_{OUT}) requirements.
2. Optimize the design for key parameters such as efficiency, footprint, and cost using the optimizer dial.
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Table 2. Bill Of Materials

PART ID	PART VALUE	MANUFACTURER	PART NUMBER
U1	2-A buck regulator	TI	LM26420-Q1
C3, C4	15 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J156M
C1	33 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J336M
C2, C6	22 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J226M
C5	0.47 µF, 10 V, 0805, X7R	Vishay	VJ0805Y474KXQCW1BC
L1	1.0 µH, 7.9 A	TDK	RLF7030T-1R0M6R4
L2	0.7 µH, 3.7 A	Coilcraft	LPS4414-701ML
R3, R4	10.0 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060310K0F
R5, R6	49.9 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060649K9F
R1	12.7 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060312K7F
R7, R2	4.99 Ω, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW06034R99F

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8.2.1.2.2 Inductor Selection

The duty cycle (D) can be approximated as the ratio of output voltage (V_{OUT}) to input voltage (V_{IN}):

$$D = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \tag{5}$$

The voltage drop across the internal NMOS (SW_BOT) and PMOS (SW_TOP) must be included to calculate a more accurate duty cycle. Calculate D by using the following formulas:

$$D = \frac{V_{OUT} + V_{SW_BOT}}{V_{IN} + V_{SW_BOT} - V_{SW_TOP}} \tag{6}$$

V_{SW_TOP} and V_{SW_BOT} can be approximated by:

$$V_{SW_TOP} = I_{OUT} \times R_{DSON_TOP} \tag{7}$$

$$V_{SW_BOT} = I_{OUT} \times R_{DSON_BOT} \tag{8}$$

The inductor value determines the output ripple voltage. Smaller inductor values decrease the size of the inductor, but increase the output ripple voltage. An increase in the inductor value decreases the output ripple current.

One must ensure that the minimum current limit (2.4 A) is not exceeded, so the peak current in the inductor must be calculated. The peak current (I_{LPK}) in the inductor is calculated by:

$$I_{LPK} = I_{OUT} + \Delta i_L \tag{9}$$

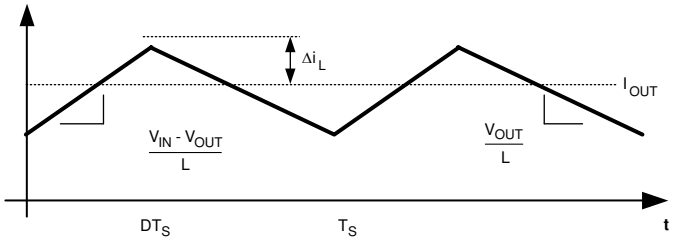

Figure 35. Inductor Current

$$\frac{V_{IN} - V_{OUT}}{L} = \frac{2\Delta i_L}{DT_S} \tag{10}$$

In general,

$$\Delta i_L = 0.1 \times (I_{OUT}) \rightarrow 0.2 \times (I_{OUT}) \tag{11}$$

If Δi_L = 20% of 2 A, the peak current in the inductor is 2.4 A. The minimum ensured current limit over all operating conditions is 2.4 A. One can either reduce Δi_L, or make the engineering judgment that zero margin is safe enough. The typical current limit is 3.3 A.

The LM26420-Q1 operates at frequencies allowing the use of ceramic output capacitors without compromising transient response. Ceramic capacitors allow higher inductor ripple without significantly increasing output ripple voltage. See the *Output Capacitor* section for more details on calculating output voltage ripple. Now that the ripple current is determined, the inductance is calculated by:

$$L = \left(\frac{DT_S}{2\Delta i_L}\right) \text{ x } (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})$$

where

$$T_S = \frac{1}{f_S} \tag{13}$$

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When selecting an inductor, make sure that it is capable of supporting the peak output current without saturating. Inductor saturation results in a sudden reduction in inductance and prevents the regulator from operating correctly. The peak current of the inductor is used to specify the maximum output current of the inductor and saturation is not a concern due to the exceptionally small delay of the internal current limit signal. Ferrite based inductors are preferred to minimize core losses when operating with the frequencies used by the LM26420-Q1. This presents little restriction because the variety of ferrite-based inductors is huge. Lastly, inductors with lower series resistance (R_{DCR}) provides better operating efficiency. For recommended inductors, see Table 2.

8.2.1.2.3 Input Capacitor Selection

The input capacitors provide the AC current needed by the nearby power switch so that current provided by the upstream power supply does not carry a lot of AC content, generating less EMI. To the buck regulator in question, the input capacitor also prevents the drain voltage of the FET switch from dipping when the FET is turned on, therefore, providing a healthy line rail for the LM26420-Q1 to work with. Because typically most of the AC current is provided by the local input capacitors, the power loss in those capacitors can be a concern. In the case of the LM26420-Q1 regulator, because the two channels operate 180° out of phase, the AC stress in the input capacitors is less than if they operated in phase. The measure for the AC stress is called input ripple RMS current. It is strongly recommended that at least one 10-µF ceramic capacitor be placed next to each of the VIND pins. Bulk capacitors such as electrolytic capacitors or OSCON capacitors can be added to help stabilize the local line voltage, especially during large load transient events. As for the ceramic capacitors, use X7R or X5R types. They maintain most of their capacitance over a wide temperature range. Try to avoid sizes smaller than 0805. Otherwise significant drop in capacitance can be caused by the DC bias voltage. See the *Output Capacitor* section for more information. The DC voltage rating of the ceramic capacitor must be higher than the highest input voltage.

Capacitor temperature is a major concern in board designs. While using a 10-µF or higher MLCC as the input capacitor is a good starting point, it is a good idea to check the temperature in the real thermal environment to make sure the capacitors are not overheated. Capacitor vendors can provide curves of ripple RMS current versus temperature rise based on a designated thermal impedance. In reality, the thermal impedance can be very different, so it is always a good idea to check the capacitor temperature on the board.

Because the duty cycles of the two channels can overlap, calculation of the input ripple RMS current is a little tedious — use Equation 14:

$$I_{irrms} = \sqrt{(I_1 - I_{av})^2 d1 + (I_2 - I_{av})^2 d2 + (I_1 + I_2 - I_{av})^2 d3}$$

where

- I_1 is the maximum output current of Channel 1
- I_2 is the maximum output current of Channel 2
- d1 is the non-overlapping portion of the duty cycle, D_1, of Channel 1
- d2 is the non-overlapping portion of the duty cycle, D_2, of Channel 2
- d3 is the overlapping portion of the two duty cycles
- I_{av} is the average input current (14)

$I_{av} = I_1 \times D_1 + I_2 \times D_2$. To quickly determine the values of d1, d2, and d3, refer to the decision tree in Figure 36. To determine the duty cycle of each channel, use $D = V_{OUT} / V_{IN}$ for a quick result or use Equation 15 for a more accurate result.

$$D = \frac{V_{OUT} + V_{SW_BOT} + I_{OUT} \times R_{DC}}{V_{IN} + V_{SW_BOT} - V_{SW_TOP}}$$

where

- R_{DC} is the winding resistance of the inductor (15)

Example:

- V_{IN} = 5 V
- V_{OUT1} = 3.3 V
- I_{OUT1} = 2 A
- V_{OUT2} = 1.2 V
- I_{OUT2} = 1.5 A
- R_{DS} = 170 mΩ

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- R_{DC} = 30 mΩ

I_{OUT1} is the same as I_1 in the input ripple RMS current equation and I_{OUT2} is the same as I_2.

First, find out the duty cycles. Plug the numbers into the duty cycle equation and get D1 = 0.75, and D2 = 0.33. Next, follow the decision tree in Figure 36 to find out the values of d1, d2, and d3. In this case, d1 = 0.5, d2 = D2 + 0.5 – D1 = 0.08, and d3 = D1 – 0.5 = 0.25. $I_{av} = I_{OUT1} \times D1 + I_{OUT2} \times D2$ = 1.995 A. Plug all the numbers into the input ripple RMS current equation and the result is $I_{IR(rms)}$ = 0.77 A.

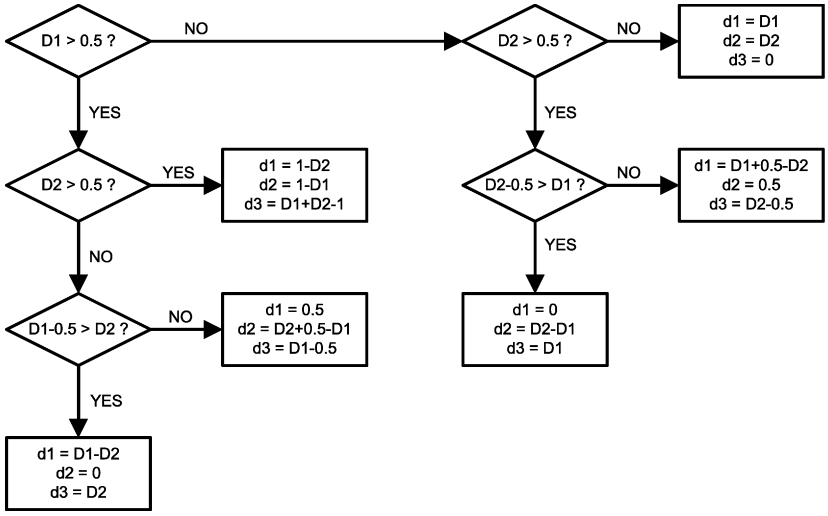

Figure 36. Determining D1, D2, and D3

8.2.1.2.4 Output Capacitor

The output capacitor is selected based upon the desired output ripple and transient response. The initial current of a load transient is provided mainly by the output capacitor. The output ripple of the converter is approximately:

$$\Delta V_{OUT} = \Delta I_L \left(R_{ESR} + \frac{1}{8 \times F_{SW} \times C_{OUT}} \right) \tag{16}$$

When using MLCCs, the ESR is typically so low that the capacitive ripple can dominate. When this occurs, the output ripple is approximately sinusoidal and 90° phase shifted from the switching action. Given the availability and quality of MLCCs and the expected output voltage of designs using the LM26420-Q1, there is really no need to review any other capacitor technologies. Another benefit of ceramic capacitors is their ability to bypass high frequency noise. A certain amount of switching edge noise couples through parasitic capacitances in the inductor to the output. A ceramic capacitor bypasses this noise while a tantalum capacitor does not. Because the output capacitor is one of the two external components that control the stability of the regulator control loop, most applications require a minimum of 22 µF of output capacitance. Capacitance often, but not always, can be increased significantly with little detriment to the regulator stability. Like the input capacitor, recommended multilayer ceramic capacitors are X7R or X5R types.

8.2.1.2.5 Calculating Efficiency and Junction Temperature

The complete LM26420-Q1 DC/DC converter efficiency can be estimated in the following manner.

$$\eta = \frac{P_{OUT}}{P_{IN}} \tag{17}$$

or

$$\eta = \frac{P_{OUT}}{P_{OUT} + P_{LOSS}} \tag{18}$$

The following equations show the calculations for determining the most significant power losses. Other losses totaling less than 2% are not discussed.

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Power loss (P_{LOSS}) is the sum of two basic types of losses in the converter: switching and conduction. Conduction losses usually dominate at higher output loads, whereas switching losses remain relatively fixed and dominate at lower output loads. The first step in determining the losses is to calculate the duty cycle (D):

$$D = \frac{V_{OUT} + V_{SW_BOT}}{V_{IN} + V_{SW_BOT} - V_{SW_TOP}} \quad (19)$$

V_{SW_TOP} is the voltage drop across the internal PFET when it is on, and is equal to:

$$V_{SW_TOP} = I_{OUT} \times R_{DSON_TOP} \quad (20)$$

V_{SW_BOT} is the voltage drop across the internal NFET when it is on, and is equal to:

$$V_{SW_BOT} = I_{OUT} \times R_{DSON_BOT} \quad (21)$$

If the voltage drop across the inductor (V_{DCR}) is accounted for, the equation becomes:

$$D = \frac{V_{OUT} + V_{SW_BOT} + V_{DCR}}{V_{IN} + V_{SW_BOT} + V_{DCR} - V_{SW_TOP}} \quad (22)$$

Another significant external power loss is the conduction loss in the output inductor. The equation can be simplified to:

$$P_{IND} = I_{OUT}^2 \times R_{DCR} \quad (23)$$

The LM26420-Q1 conduction loss is mainly associated with the two internal FETs:

$$P_{COND_TOP} = (I_{OUT}^2 \times D)\left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \times \left(\frac{\Delta i_L}{I_{OUT}}\right)^2\right) R_{DSON_TOP}$$

$$P_{COND_BOT} = (I_{OUT}^2 \times (1\text{-}D))\left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \times \left(\frac{\Delta i_L}{I_{OUT}}\right)^2\right) R_{DSON_BOT} \quad (24)$$

If the inductor ripple current is fairly small, the conduction losses can be simplified to:

$$P_{COND_TOP} = (I_{OUT}^2 \times R_{DSON_TOP} \times D) \quad (25)$$

$$P_{COND_BOT} = (I_{OUT}^2 \times R_{DSON_BOT} \times (1\text{-}D)) \quad (26)$$

$$P_{COND} = P_{COND_TOP} + P_{COND_BOT} \quad (27)$$

Switching losses are also associated with the internal FETs. They occur during the switch on and off transition periods, where voltages and currents overlap, resulting in power loss. The simplest means to determine this loss is empirically measuring the rise and fall times (10% to 90%) of the switch at the switch node.

Switching Power Loss is calculated as follows:

$$P_{SWR} = 1/2(V_{IN} \times I_{OUT} \times F_{SW} \times T_{RISE}) \quad (28)$$

$$P_{SWF} = 1/2(V_{IN} \times I_{OUT} \times F_{SW} \times T_{FALL}) \quad (29)$$

$$P_{SW} = P_{SWR} + P_{SWF} \quad (30)$$

Another loss is the power required for operation of the internal circuitry:

$$P_Q = I_Q \times V_{IN} \quad (31)$$

I_Q is the quiescent operating current, and is typically around 8.4 mA (I_{QVINC} = 4.7 mA + I_{QVIND} = 3.7 mA) for the 550-kHz frequency option.

Due to Dead-Time-Control Logic in the converter, there is a small delay (approximately 4 nsec) between the turn ON and OFF of the TOP and BOTTOM FET. During this time, the body diode of the BOTTOM FET is conducting with a voltage drop of V_{BDIODE} (approximately 0.65 V). This allows the inductor current to circulate to the output, until the BOTTOM FET is turned ON and the inductor current passes through the FET. There is a small amount of power loss due to this body diode conducting and it can be calculated as follows:

$$P_{BDIODE} = 2 \times (V_{BDIODE} \times I_{OUT} \times F_{SW} \times T_{BDIODE}) \quad (32)$$

Typical Application power losses are:

$$P_{LOSS} = \Sigma P_{COND} + P_{SW} + P_{BDIODE} + P_{IND} + P_Q \quad (33)$$

$$P_{INTERNAL} = \Sigma P_{COND} + P_{SW} + P_{BDIODE} + P_Q \quad (34)$$

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Table 3. Power Loss Tabulation

DESIGN PARAMETER	VALUE	DESIGN PARAMETER	VALUE
V_{IN}	5 V	V_{OUT}	1.2 V
I_{OUT}	2 A	P_{OUT}	2.4 W
F_{SW}	550 kHz		
V_{BDIODE}	0.65 V	P_{BDIODE}	5.7 mW
I_Q	8.4 mA	P_Q	42 mW
T_{RISE}	1.5 nsec	P_{SWR}	4.1 mW
T_{FALL}	1.5 nsec	P_{SWF}	4.1 mW
R_{DSON_TOP}	75 mΩ	P_{COND_TOP}	81 mW
R_{DSON_BOT}	55 mΩ	P_{COND_BOT}	167 mW
IND_{DCR}	20 mΩ	P_{IND}	80 mW
D	0.262	P_{LOSS}	384 mW
η	86.2%	$P_{INTERNAL}$	304 mW

These calculations assume a junction temperature of 25°C. The R_{DSON} values are larger due to internal heating; therefore, the internal power loss ($P_{INTERNAL}$) must be first calculated to estimate the rise in junction temperature.

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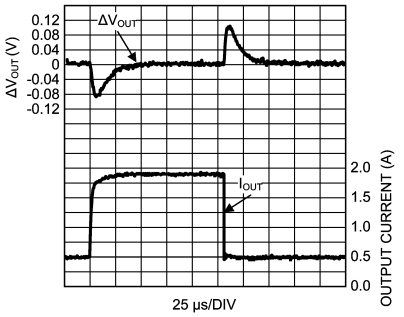
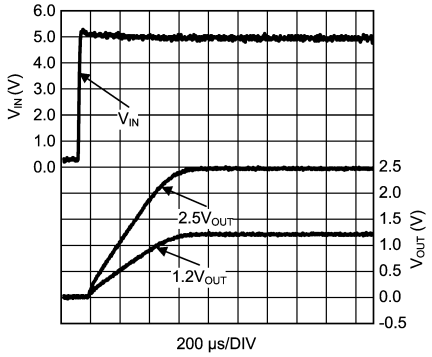
8.2.1.3 Application Curves



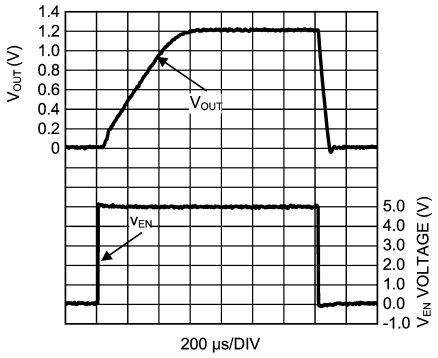
V_{OUT} = 1.2 V 25-100% Load Transient

Figure 37. Load Transient Response



V_{IN} = 5 V V_{OUT} = 1.8 V at 1 A

Figure 38. Start-Up (Soft Start)



V_{IN} = 5 V V_{OUT} = 1.8 V at 1 A

Figure 39. Enable - Disable

8.2.2 2.2-MHz, 1.8-V Typical High-Efficiency Application Circuit

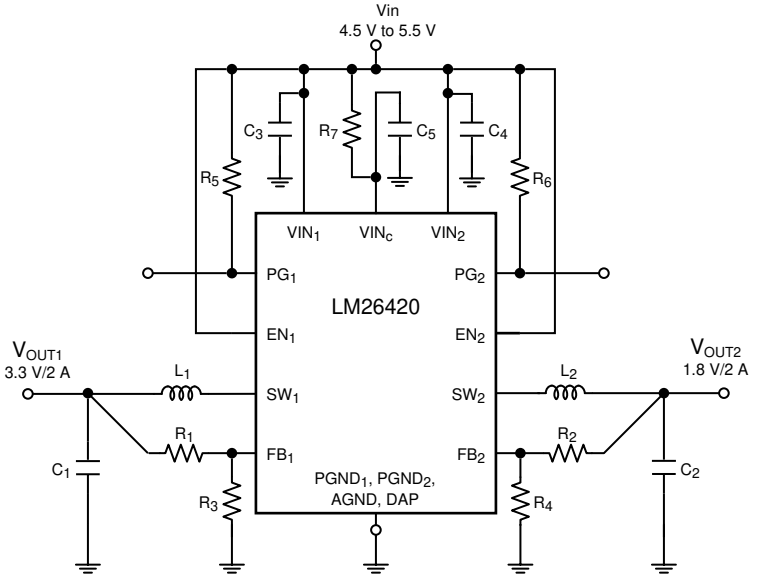


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Figure 40. LM26420-Q1 (2.2 MHz): V_{IN} = 5 V, V_{OUT1} = 3.3 V at 2 A and V_{OUT2} = 1.8 V at 2 A

8.2.2.1 Design Requirements

See *Design Requirements* above.

8.2.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

Table 4. Bill Of Materials

PART ID	PART VALUE	MANUFACTURER	PART NUMBER
U1	2-A Buck Regulator	TI	LM26420-Q1
C3, C4	15 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J156M
C1	22 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J226M
C2	33 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J336M
C5	0.47 µF, 10 V, 0805, X7R	Vishay	VJ0805Y474KXQCW1BC
L1, L2	1.0 µH, 7.9 A	TDK	RLF7030T-1R0M6R4
R3, R4	10.0 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060310K0F
R2	12.7 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060312K7F
R5, R6	49.9 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060649K9F
R1	31.6 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060331K6F
R7	4.99 Ω, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW06034R99F

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Also see *Detailed Design Procedure* above.

8.2.2.3 Application Curves

See *Application Curves* above.

8.2.3 LM26420-Q12.2-MHz, 2.5-V Typical High-Efficiency Application Circuit

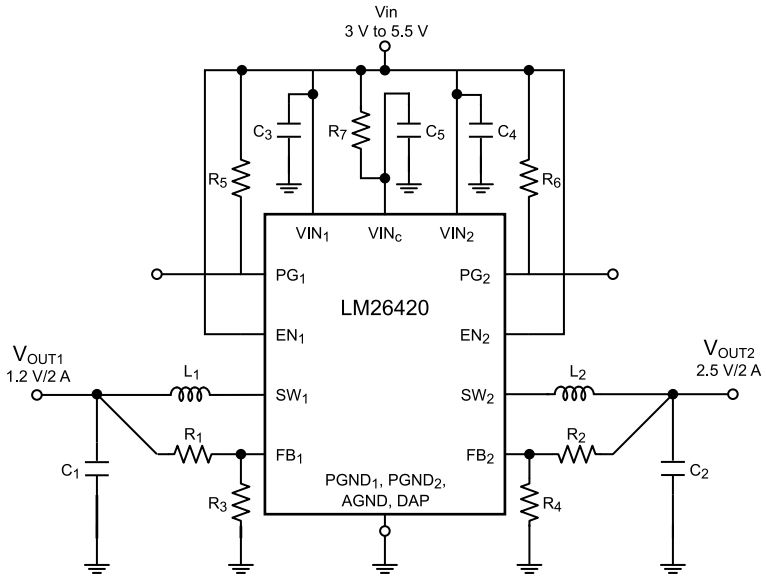

Figure 41. LM26420-Q1 (2.2 MHz): V_{IN} = 5 V, V_{OUT1} = 1.2 V at 2 A and V_{OUT2} = 2.5 V at 2 A

8.2.3.1 Design Requirements

See *Design Requirements* above.

8.2.3.2 Detailed Design Procedure

Table 5. Bill Of Materials

PART ID	PART VALUE	MANUFACTURER	PART NUMBER
U1	2-A buck regulator	TI	LM26420-Q1
C3, C4	15 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J156M
C1	33 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J336M
C2	22 µF, 6.3 V, 1206, X5R	TDK	C3216X5R0J226M
C5	0.47 µF, 10 V, 0805, X7R	Vishay	VJ0805Y474KXQCW1BC
L1	1.0 µH, 7.9A	TDK	RLF7030T-1R0M6R4
L2	1.5 µH, 6.5A	TDK	RLF7030T-1R5M6R1
R3, R4	10.0 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060310K0F
R1	4.99 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW06034K99F
R5, R6	49.9 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060649K9F
R2	21.5 kΩ, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW060321K5F
R7	4.99 Ω, 0603, 1%	Vishay	CRCW06034R99F

Also see *Detailed Design Procedure* above.

8.2.3.3 Application Curves

See *Application Curves* above.

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9 Power Supply Recommendations

The LM26420-Q1 is designed to operate from an input voltage supply range between 3 V and 5.5 V. This input supply must be well regulated and able to withstand maximum input current and maintain a stable voltage. The resistance of the input supply rail must be low enough that an input current transient does not cause a high enough drop at the LM26420-Q1 supply voltage that can cause a false UVLO fault triggering and system reset. If the input supply is located more than a few inches from the LM26420-Q1, additional bulk capacitance can be required in addition to the ceramic bypass capacitors. The amount of bulk capacitance is not critical, but a 47-µF or 100-µF electrolytic capacitor is a typical choice.

The LM26420-Q1 contains a high-side PMOS FET and a low-side NMOS FET as shown in Figure 42. The source nodes of the high-side PMOS FETs are connected to $VIND_1$ and $VIND_2$, respectively. VINC is the power source for the high-side and low-side gate drivers. Ideally, VINC is connected to $VIND_1$ and $VIND_2$ by an RC filter as detailed in VINC Filtering Components. If VINC is allowed to be lower than $VIND_1$ or $VIND_2$, the high-side PMOS FETs can be turned on regardless of the state of the respective gate drivers. Under this condition, shoot through will occur when the low-side NMOS FET is turned on and permanent damage can result. When applying input voltage to VINC, $VIND_1$, and $VIND_2$, VINC must not be less than $VIND_{1,2} – V_{TH}$ to avoid shoot through and FET damage.

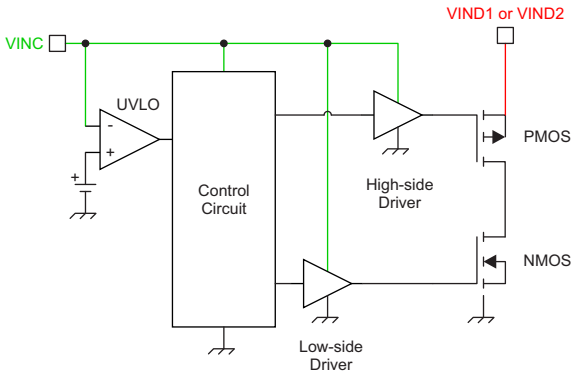

Figure 42. VINC, $VIND_1$, and $VIND_2$ Connection

10 Layout

10.1 Layout Guidelines

When planning layout there are a few things to consider when trying to achieve a clean, regulated output. The most important consideration is the close coupling of the GND connections of the input capacitor and the PGND pin. These ground ends must be close to one another and be connected to the GND plane with at least two through-holes. Place these components as close to the device as possible. Next in importance is the location of the GND connection of the output capacitor, which must be near the GND connections of VIND and PGND. There must be a continuous ground plane on the bottom layer of a two-layer board except under the switching node island. The FB pin is a high impedance node, and care must be taken to make the FB trace short to avoid noise pickup and inaccurate regulation. The feedback resistors must be placed as close to the device as possible, with the GND of R1 placed as close to the GND of the device as possible. The VOUT trace to R2 must be routed away from the inductor and any other traces that are switching. High AC currents flow through the VIN, SW, and VOUT traces, so they must be as short and wide as possible. However, making the traces wide increases radiated noise, so the designer must make this trade-off. Radiated noise can be decreased by choosing a shielded inductor. The remaining components must also be placed as close as possible to the device. See *AN-1229 SIMPLE SWITCHER® PCB Layout Guidelines* for further considerations, and the LM26420-Q1 demo board as an example of a four-layer layout.

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Layout Guidelines (continued)

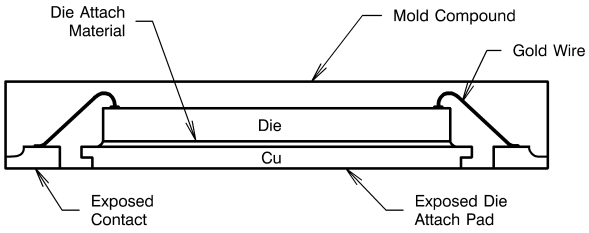

Figure 43. Internal Connection

For certain high power applications, the PCB land may be modified to a *dog bone* shape (see Figure 44). By increasing the size of ground plane, and adding thermal vias, the $R_{\theta JA}$ for the application can be reduced.

10.2 Layout Example

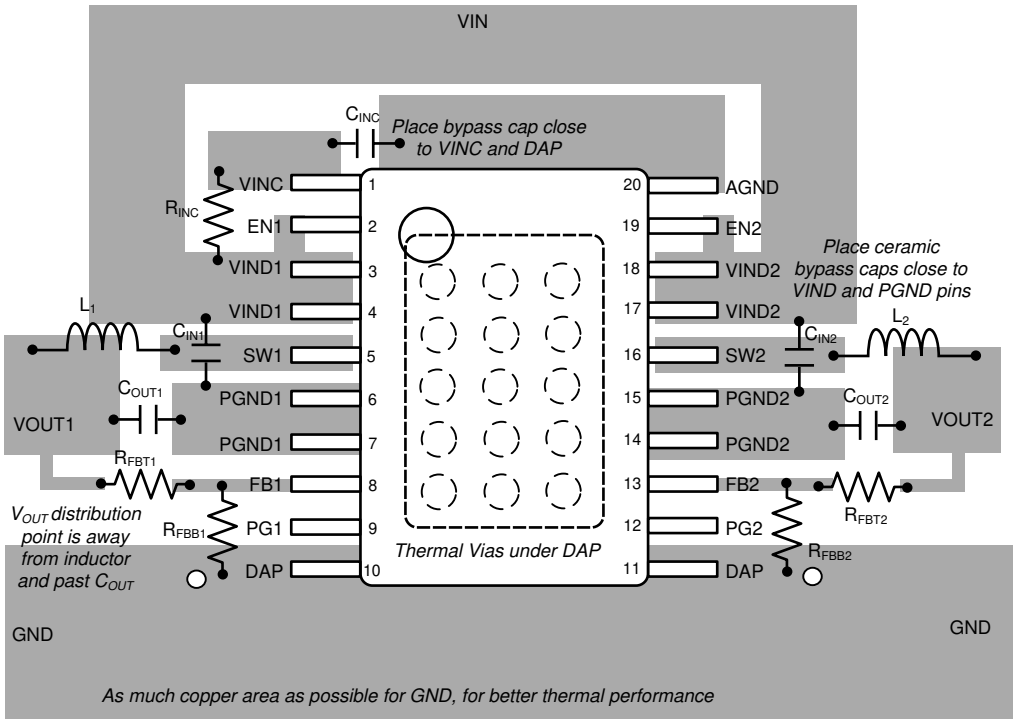

Figure 44. Typical Layout For DC/DC Converter

10.3 Thermal Considerations

T_J = Chip junction temperature

T_A = Ambient temperature

$R_{\theta JC}$ = Thermal resistance from chip junction to device case

$R_{\theta JA}$ = Thermal resistance from chip junction to ambient air

Heat in the LM26420-Q1 due to internal power dissipation is removed through conduction and/or convection.

Conduction: Heat transfer occurs through cross sectional areas of material. Depending on the material, the transfer of heat can be considered to have poor to good thermal conductivity properties (insulator vs conductor).

Heat Transfer goes as:

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Thermal Considerations (continued)

Silicon → package → lead frame → PCB

Convection: Heat transfer is by means of airflow. This could be from a fan or natural convection. Natural convection occurs when air currents rise from the hot device to cooler air.

Thermal impedance is defined as:

$$R_\theta = \frac{\Delta T}{\text{Power}} \tag{35}$$

Thermal impedance from the silicon junction to the ambient air is defined as:

$$R_{\theta JA} = \frac{T_J - T_A}{P_{INTERNAL}} \tag{36}$$

The PCB size, weight of copper used to route traces and ground plane, and number of layers within the PCB can greatly affect $R_{\theta JA}$. The type and number of thermal vias can also make a large difference in the thermal impedance. Thermal vias are necessary in most applications. They conduct heat from the surface of the PCB to the ground plane. Five to eight thermal vias must be placed under the exposed pad to the ground plane if the WQFN package is used. Up to 12 thermal vias must be used in the HTSSOP-20 package for optimum heat transfer from the device to the ground plane.

Thermal impedance also depends on the thermal properties of the application's operating conditions (V_{IN}, V_{OUT}, I_{OUT}, etc.), and the surrounding circuitry.

10.3.1 Method 1: Silicon Junction Temperature Determination

To accurately measure the silicon temperature for a given application, two methods can be used. The first method requires the user to know the thermal impedance of the silicon junction to top case temperature.

Some clarification needs to be made before we go any further.

$R_{\theta JC}$ is the thermal impedance from silicon junction to the exposed pad.

$R_{\theta JT}$ is the thermal impedance from top case to the silicon junction.

In this data sheet $R_{\theta JT}$ is used so that it allows the user to measure top case temperature with a small thermocouple attached to the top case.

$R_{\theta JT}$ is approximately 20°C/W for the 16-pin WQFN package with the exposed pad. Knowing the internal dissipation from the efficiency calculation given previously, and the case temperature, which can be empirically measured on the bench we have:

$$R_{\theta JT} = \frac{T_J - T_T}{P_{INTERNAL}} \tag{37}$$

Therefore:

$$T_J = (R_{\theta JT} \times P_{INTERNAL}) + T_C \tag{38}$$

From the previous example:

$$T_J = 20°C/W \times 0.304W + T_C \tag{39}$$

10.3.2 Thermal Shutdown Temperature Determination

The second method, although more complicated, can give a very accurate silicon junction temperature.

The first step is to determine $R_{\theta JA}$ of the application. The LM26420-Q1 has over-temperature protection circuitry. When the silicon temperature reaches 165°C, the device stops switching. The protection circuitry has a hysteresis of about 15°C. Once the silicon junction temperature has decreased to approximately 150°C, the device starts to switch again. Knowing this, the $R_{\theta JA}$ for any application can be characterized during the early stages of the design one may calculate the $R_{\theta JA}$ by placing the PCB circuit into a thermal chamber. Raise the ambient temperature in the given working application until the circuit enters thermal shutdown. If the SW pin is monitored, it is obvious when the internal FETs stop switching, indicating a junction temperature of 165°C. Knowing the internal power dissipation from the above methods, the junction temperature, and the ambient temperature $R_{\theta JA}$ can be determined.

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Thermal Considerations (continued)

$$R_{\theta JA} = \frac{165° - T_A}{P_{INTERNAL}} \quad (40)$$

Once this is determined, the maximum ambient temperature allowed for a desired junction temperature can be found.

An example of calculating $R_{\theta JA}$ for an application using the LM26420-Q1 WQFN demonstration board is shown below.

The four layer PCB is constructed using FR4 with 1 oz copper traces. The copper ground plane is on the bottom layer. The ground plane is accessed by eight vias. The board measures 3 cm × 3 cm. It was placed in an oven with no forced airflow. The ambient temperature was raised to 152°C, and at that temperature, the device went into thermal shutdown.

From the previous example:

$$P_{INTERNAL} = 304 \text{ mW} \quad (41)$$

$$R_{\theta JA} = \frac{165^oC - 152^oC}{304 \text{ mW}} = 42.8^o \text{ C/W} \quad (42)$$

If the junction temperature was to be kept below 125°C, then the ambient temperature could not go above 112°C.

$$T_J – (R_{\theta JA} \times P_{INTERNAL}) = T_A \quad (43)$$

$$125°C – (42.8°C/W \times 304 \text{ mW}) = 112.0°C \quad (44)$$

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11 Device and Documentation Support

11.1 Device Support

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3. Compare the generated design with other possible solutions from Texas Instruments.

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11.7 Glossary

SLYZ022 — *TI Glossary*.

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

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PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead finish/ Ball material (6)	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Device Marking (4/5)	Samples
LM26420Q0XMH/NOPB	ACTIVE	HTSSOP	PWP	20	73	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	LM26420 Q0XMH	Samples
LM26420Q0XMHX/NOPB	ACTIVE	HTSSOP	PWP	20	2500	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	LM26420 Q0XMH	Samples
LM26420Q1XMH/NOPB	ACTIVE	HTSSOP	PWP	20	73	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	LM26420 Q1XMH	Samples
LM26420Q1XMHX/NOPB	ACTIVE	HTSSOP	PWP	20	2500	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	LM26420 Q1XMH	Samples
LM26420Q1XSQ/NOPB	ACTIVE	WQFN	RUM	16	1000	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-3-260C-168 HR	-40 to 125	L26420Q	Samples
LM26420Q1XSQX/NOPB	ACTIVE	WQFN	RUM	16	4500	RoHS & Green	SN	Level-3-260C-168 HR	-40 to 125	L26420Q	Samples

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- Catalog - TI's standard catalog product

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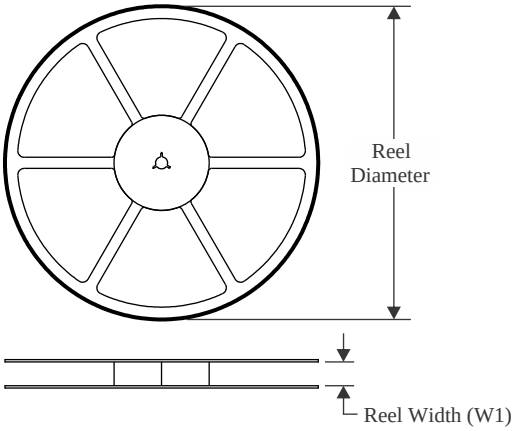

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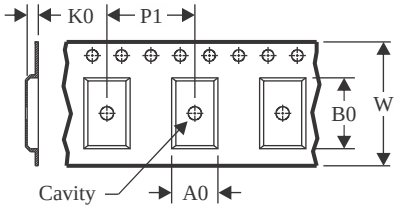
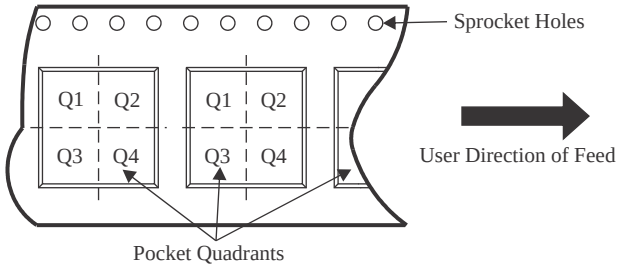


A0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component width
B0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component length
K0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component thickness
W	Overall width of the carrier tape
P1	Pitch between successive cavity centers

QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE



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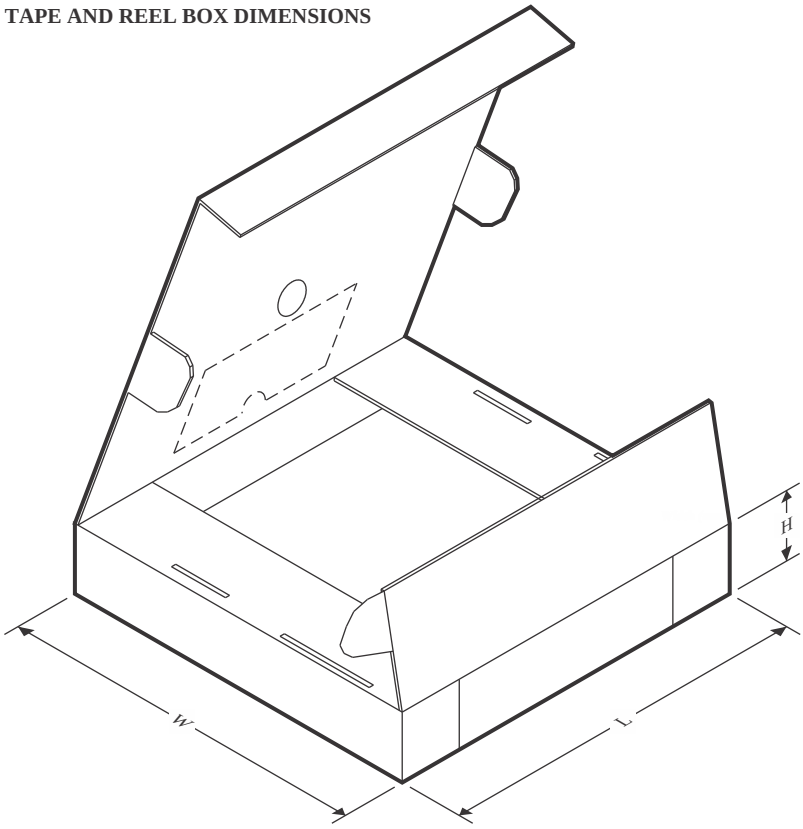
Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
LM26420Q0XMHX/NOPB	HTSSOP	PWP	20	2500	330.0	16.4	6.95	7.0	1.4	8.0	16.0	Q1
LM26420Q1XMHX/NOPB	HTSSOP	PWP	20	2500	330.0	16.4	6.95	7.0	1.4	8.0	16.0	Q1
LM26420Q1XSQ/NOPB	WQFN	RUM	16	1000	178.0	12.4	4.3	4.3	1.3	8.0	12.0	Q1
LM26420Q1XSQX/NOPB	WQFN	RUM	16	4500	330.0	12.4	4.3	4.3	1.3	8.0	12.0	Q1

TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS



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Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
LM26420Q0XMHX/NOPB	HTSSOP	PWP	20	2500	367.0	367.0	35.0
LM26420Q1XMHX/NOPB	HTSSOP	PWP	20	2500	356.0	356.0	35.0
LM26420Q1XSQ/NOPB	WQFN	RUM	16	1000	208.0	191.0	35.0
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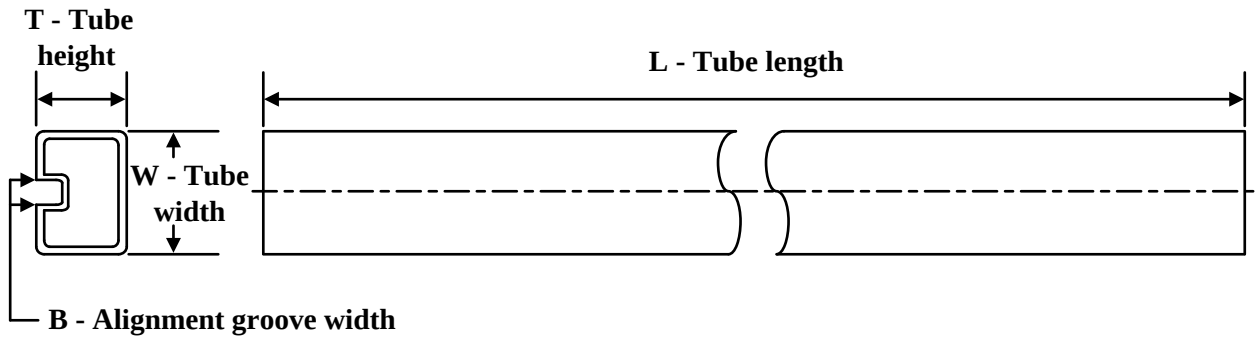
TUBE



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Device	Package Name	Package Type	Pins	SPQ	L (mm)	W (mm)	T (µm)	B (mm)
LM26420Q0XMH/NOPB	PWP	HTSSOP	20	73	495	8	2514.6	4.06
LM26420Q1XMH/NOPB	PWP	HTSSOP	20	73	495	8	2514.6	4.06

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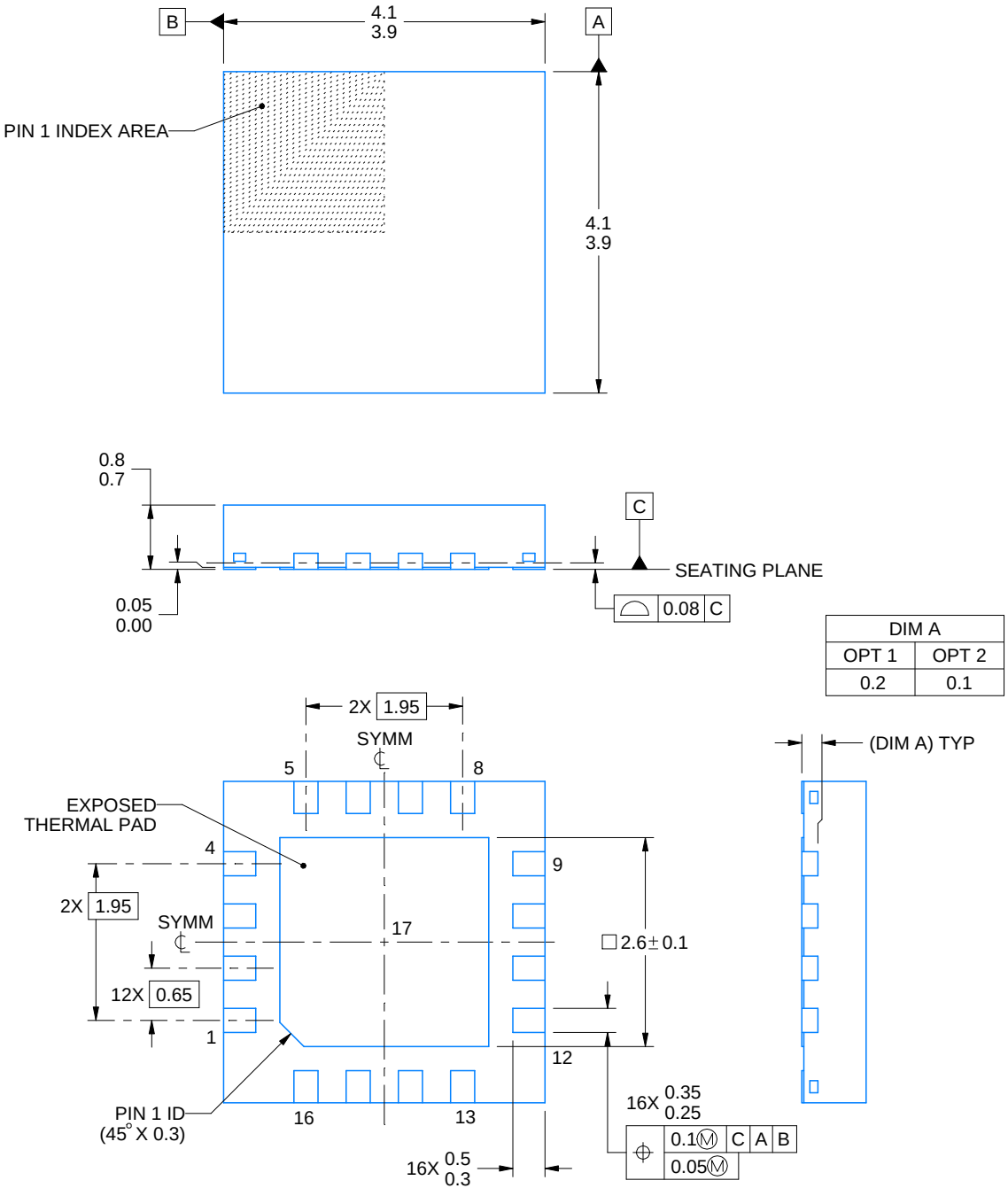
PACKAGE OUTLINE

WQFN - 0.8 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK - NO LEAD



NOTES:

1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.
2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
3. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the printed circuit board for thermal and mechanical performance.

EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

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WQFN - 0.8 mm max height

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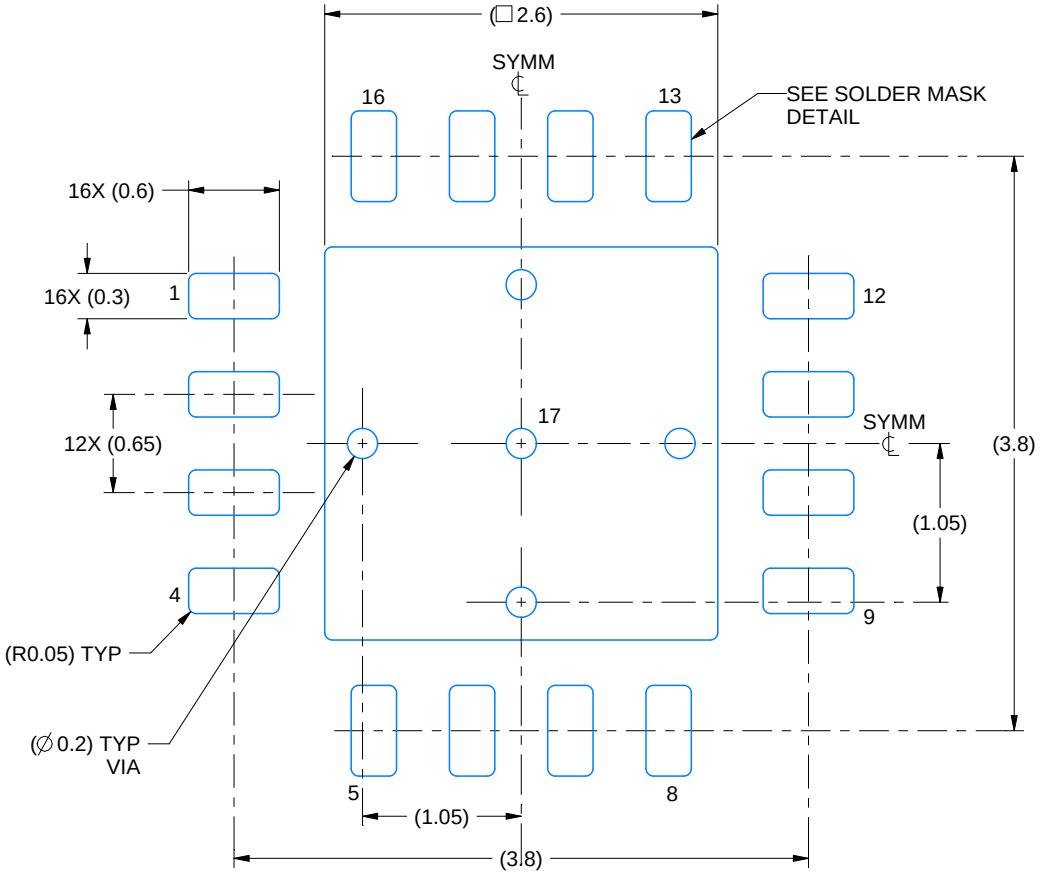
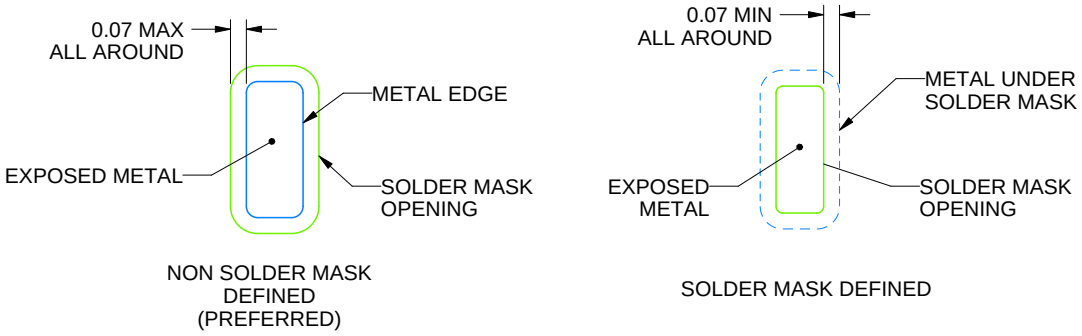


LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE
EXPOSED METAL SHOWN
SCALE: 20X



SOLDER MASK DETAILS

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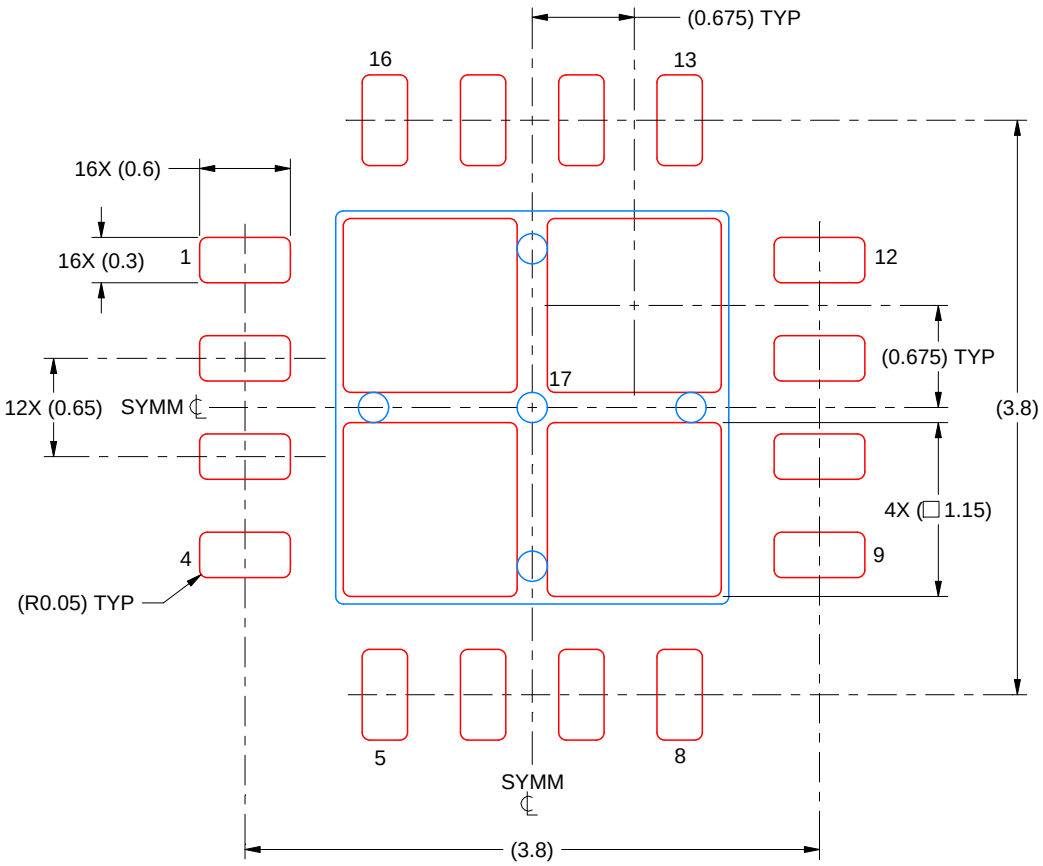
NOTES: (continued)

4. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature number SLUA271 (www.ti.com/lit/slua271).
5. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. If any vias are implemented, refer to their locations shown on this view. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.



SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE
BASED ON 0.125 MM THICK STENCIL
SCALE: 20X

EXPOSED PAD 17
78% PRINTED SOLDER COVERAGE BY AREA UNDER PACKAGE

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NOTES: (continued)

6. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.

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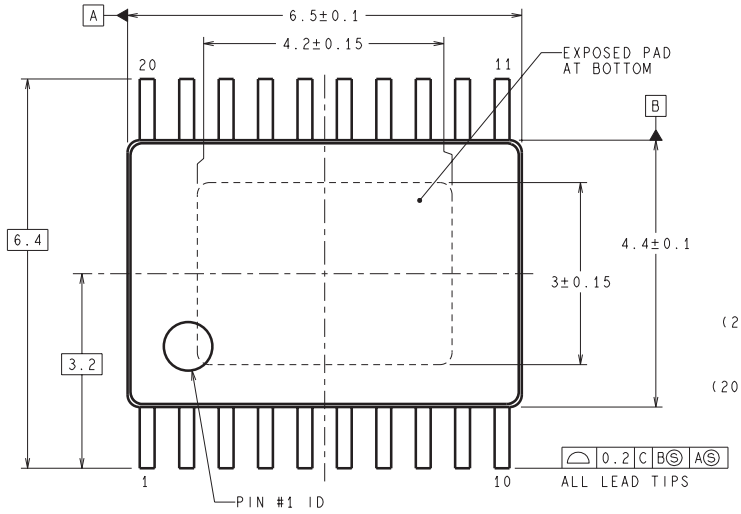
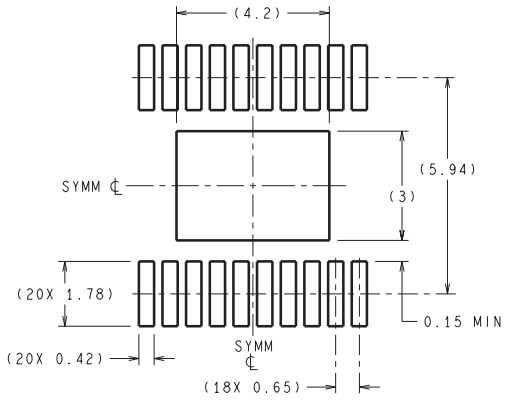
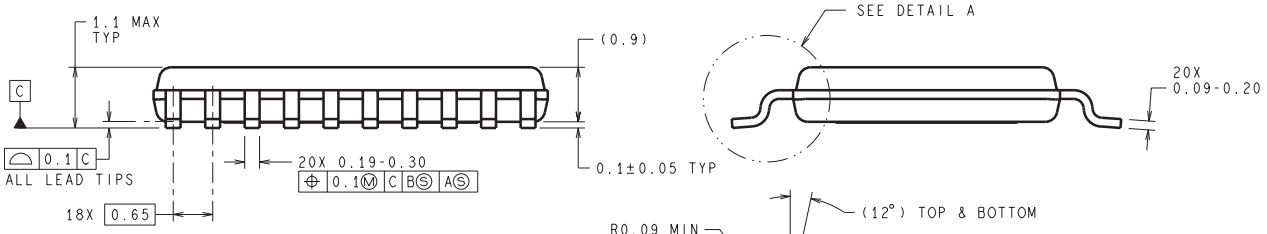




RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN



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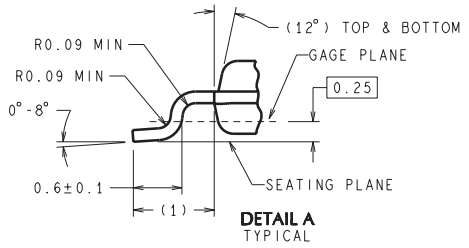

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