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MP8848

6A, High-Efficiency, Synchronous, Step-Down Switcher with I²C Interface

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DESCRIPTION

The MP8848 is a highly integrated, high-frequency, synchronous, step-down switcher with an I²C control interface. The MP8848 can support up to 6A of load current over an input supply range from 2.7V to 6V with excellent load and line regulation.

Constant-frequency hysteretic mode provides an extremely fast transient response without loop compensation to achieve high efficiency easily under light-load condition.

The output voltage level can be controlled on-the-fly through a 3.4Mbps I²C serial interface. The voltage range can be adjusted from 0.6V to 1.235V in 5mV steps. The voltage slew rate, switching frequency, and power-saving mode are also selectable through the I²C interface.

Full protection features include internal soft start, over-current protection (OCP), and over-temperature protection (OTP).

The MP8848 requires a minimal number of readily available, standard, external components and is available in a compact QFN-15 (2mmx3mm) package.

FEATURES

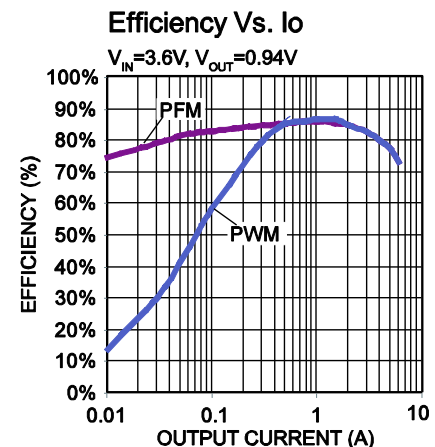
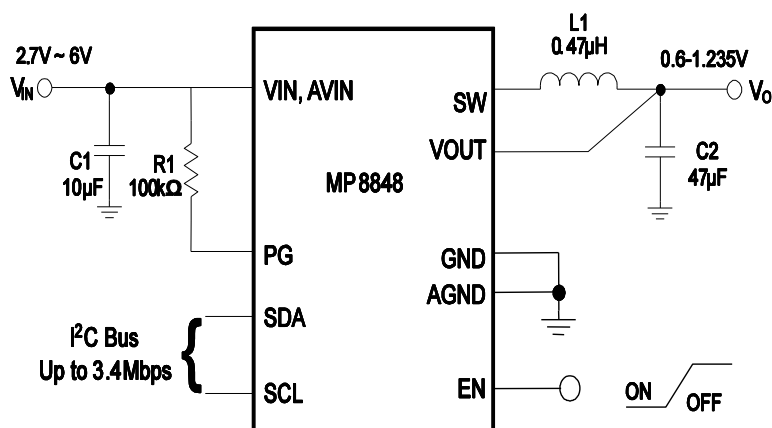
- 2.7V to 6V Input Voltage Range
- Up to 6A Load Current
- Internal 32mΩ High-Side and 15mΩ Low-Side Power MOSFETs
- I²C-Compatible Interface up to 3.4Mbps
- I²C-Programmable Output Range from 0.6V to 1.235V in 5mV Steps
- Factory Adjustable Switching Frequency from 0.85MHz to 2.2MHz
- Power-Saving Mode Selectable via I²C
- Internal 1ms Soft Start
- Power Good Indicator
- Current Overload and Thermal Shutdown Protection
- Available in a QFN-15 (2mmx3mm) Package

APPLICATIONS

- Processor Core Supplies
- Micro Converters

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TYPICAL APPLICATION



ORDERING INFORMATION

Part Number*	Package	Top Marking
MP8848GD	QFN-15 (2mmx3mm)	See Below

* For Tape & Reel, add suffix -Z (e.g. MP8848GD-Z)

TOP MARKING

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AVV
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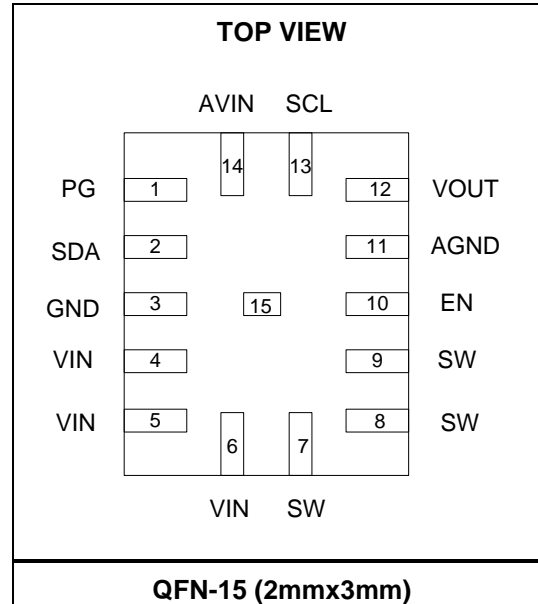
AVV: Product code of MP8848GD

Y: Year code

WW: Week code

LLL: Lot number

PACKAGE REFERENCE



ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS ⁽¹⁾

Supply voltage (VIN)	-0.3V to 7V
V _{SW}	-0.3V (-5V for <10ns) to 6.5V (8V for <10ns or 10V for <3ns)
All other pins	-0.3V to 6.5V
Junction temperature	150°C
Lead temperature	260°C
Continuous power dissipation (T _A = +25°C) ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾	
QFN-15 (2mmx3mm)	3.5W
Storage temperature	-65°C to 150°C

Recommended Operating Conditions ⁽³⁾

Supply voltage (VIN)	2.7V to 6V
Output voltage (VOUT)	0.6V to 1.235V
Operating junction temp. (T _J) ...	-40°C to +125°C

Thermal Resistance	θ_{JA}	θ_{JC}
QFN-15 (2mmx3mm)		
EV8848-D-00A ⁽⁴⁾	35	8 °C/W
JESD51-7 ⁽⁵⁾	70	15 ... °C/W

NOTES:

- 1) Exceeding these ratings may damage the device.
- 2) The maximum allowable power dissipation is a function of the maximum junction temperature T_J (MAX), the junction-to-ambient thermal resistance θ_{JA}, and the ambient temperature T_A. The maximum allowable continuous power dissipation at any ambient temperature is calculated by P_D (MAX) = (T_J (MAX)-T_A)/θ_{JA}. Exceeding the maximum allowable power dissipation produces an excessive die temperature, causing the regulator to go into thermal shutdown. Internal thermal shutdown circuitry protects the device from permanent damage.
- 3) The device is not guaranteed to function outside of its operating conditions.
- 4) Measured on EV8848-D-00A, 4-layer PCB.
- 5) Measured on JESD51-7, 4-layer PCB.

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

V_{IN} = 5V, T_J = -40°C to +125°C ⁽⁶⁾, typical value is tested at T_J = +25°C. The limit over temperature is guaranteed by characterization, unless otherwise noted.

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Input voltage range	V _{IN}		2.7		6	V
Quiescent current	I _Q	EN = 1.8V, no switching, PFM mode		300		μA
Shutdown current	I _S	EN = GND, T _J = 25°C			1	μA
Internal reference voltage	V _{REF}	T _J = 25°C	0.591	0.600	0.609	V
		-40°C < T _J < 125°C	0.585	0.600	0.615	V
Lowest output voltage	V _{LOW}	Register = 00h, T _J = 25°C	0.591	0.600	0.609	V
		-40°C < T _J < 125°C	0.585	0.600	0.615	V
Highest output voltage	V _{HIGH}	Register = 7Fh, T _J = 25°C	1.216	1.235	1.254	V
		-40°C < T _J < 125°C	1.204	1.235	1.266	V
Output voltage step	V _{STEP}			5		mV
High-side switch on resistance	R _{HSON}			32		mΩ
Low-side switch on resistance	R _{LSON}			15		mΩ
UVLO rising threshold	V _{UVLOR}			2.55	2.7	V
UVLO hysteresis	V _{UVLOHY}			150		mV
Switching frequency	F _{SW}		0.85		2.2	MHz
Frequency variation	F _{SW}				25%	
Minimum on time ⁽⁷⁾	T _{MINON}			60		ns
Switch leakage	I _{SW}	V _{EN} = 0V, V _{IN} = 5V, V _{SW} = 0V and 5V, T _J = 25°C			1	μA
EN input current	I _{EN}	V _{EN} = 5V		4		μA
EN logic low voltage	V _{ENL}				0.4	V
EN logic high voltage	V _{ENH}		1.8			V
Power good UV threshold rising	PGVth-Hi	Good		0.9		V _{OUT}
Power good UV threshold falling	PGVth-Lo	Fault		0.85		V _{OUT}
Power good OV threshold rising	PGVth-Hi	Fault		1.1		V _{OUT}
Power good OV threshold falling	PGVth-Lo	Good		1.05		V _{OUT}
Power good pull-down voltage	V _{PGL}	I _{SINK} = 1mA			0.4	V
Power good delay	T _{PGd}			30		μs
Power good leakage	I _{PGd}				1	μA

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS *(continued)*

V_{IN} = 5V, T_J = -40°C to +125°C ⁽⁶⁾, typical value is tested at T_J = +25°C. The limit over temperature is guaranteed by characterization, unless otherwise noted.

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Min	Typ	Max	Units
VOUT OVP threshold		Rising edge		+10%		V _{TARGET}
High-side switch peak current limit (source)	I _{peak}		7	11		A
High-side switch valley current limit ⁽⁷⁾	I _{valley}			5.8		A
Low-side switch current limit (sink)		PFM mode		0		A
		PWM mode ⁽⁷⁾		-5		A
Soft-start time	T _{SS-ON}		0.4	1	1.6	ms
Discharge resistor				500		Ω
Thermal warning ⁽⁶⁾				130		°C
Thermal shutdown ⁽⁶⁾				150		°C
DAC resolution ⁽⁷⁾				7		bits

NOTE:

6) Not tested in production, guaranteed by over-temperature correlation.

7) Guaranteed by engineering sample characterization.

I/O LEVEL CHARACTERISTICS

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	HS-Mode		LS-Mode		Units
			Min	Max	Min	Max	
Low-level input voltage	V _{IL}		-0.5	0.3V _{CC}	-0.5	0.3V _{CC}	V
High-level input voltage	V _{IH}		0.7V _{CC}	V _{CC} + 0.5	0.7V _{CC}	V _{CC} + 0.5	V
Hysteresis of Schmitt trigger inputs	V _{HYS}	V _{CC} > 2V	0.05V _{CC}	-	0.05V _{CC}	-	V
		V _{CC} < 2V	0.1V _{CC}	-	0.1V _{CC}	-	
Low-level output voltage (open drain) at 3mA sink current	V _{OL}	V _{CC} > 2V	0	0.4	0	0.4	V
		V _{CC} < 2V	0	0.2V _{CC}	0	0.2V _{CC}	
Low-level output current	I _{OL}		-	3	-	3	mA
Transfer gate on resistance for currents between SDA and SCAH, or SCL and SCLH	R _{onL}	VOL level, IOL = 3mA	-	50	-	50	Ω
Transfer gate on resistance between SDA and SCAH, or SCL and SCLH at V _{CC} level	R _{onH}	Both signals (SDA and SDAH, or SCL and SCLH) at V _{CC} level	50	-	50	-	kΩ
Pull-up current of the SCLH current source	I _{cs}	SCLH output levels between 0.3V _{CC} and 0.7V _{CC}	2	6	2	6	mA
Rise time of the SCLH or SCL signal	t _{rCL}	Output rise time (current source enabled) with an external pull-up current source of 3mA					
		Capacitive load from 10pF to 100pF	10	40			ns
		Capacitive load of 400pF	20	80			ns
Fall time of the SCLH or SCL signal	t _{fCL}	Output fall time (current source enabled) with an external pull-up current source of 3mA					
		Capacitive load from 10pF to 100pF	10	40			ns
		Capacitive load of 400pF	20	80	20	250	ns
Rise time of SDAH signal	t _{rDA}	Capacitive load from 10pF to 100pF	10	80	-	-	ns
		Capacitive load of 400pF	20	160	20	250	ns
Fall time of SDAH signal	t _{fDA}	Capacitive load from 10pF to 100pF	10	80	-	-	ns
		Capacitive load of 400pF	20	160	20	250	ns
Input current for each I/O pin	I _i	Input voltage between 0.1V _{CC} and 0.9V _{CC}	-	10	-10	+10	μA
Capacitance for each I/O pin	C _i		-	10	-	10	pF

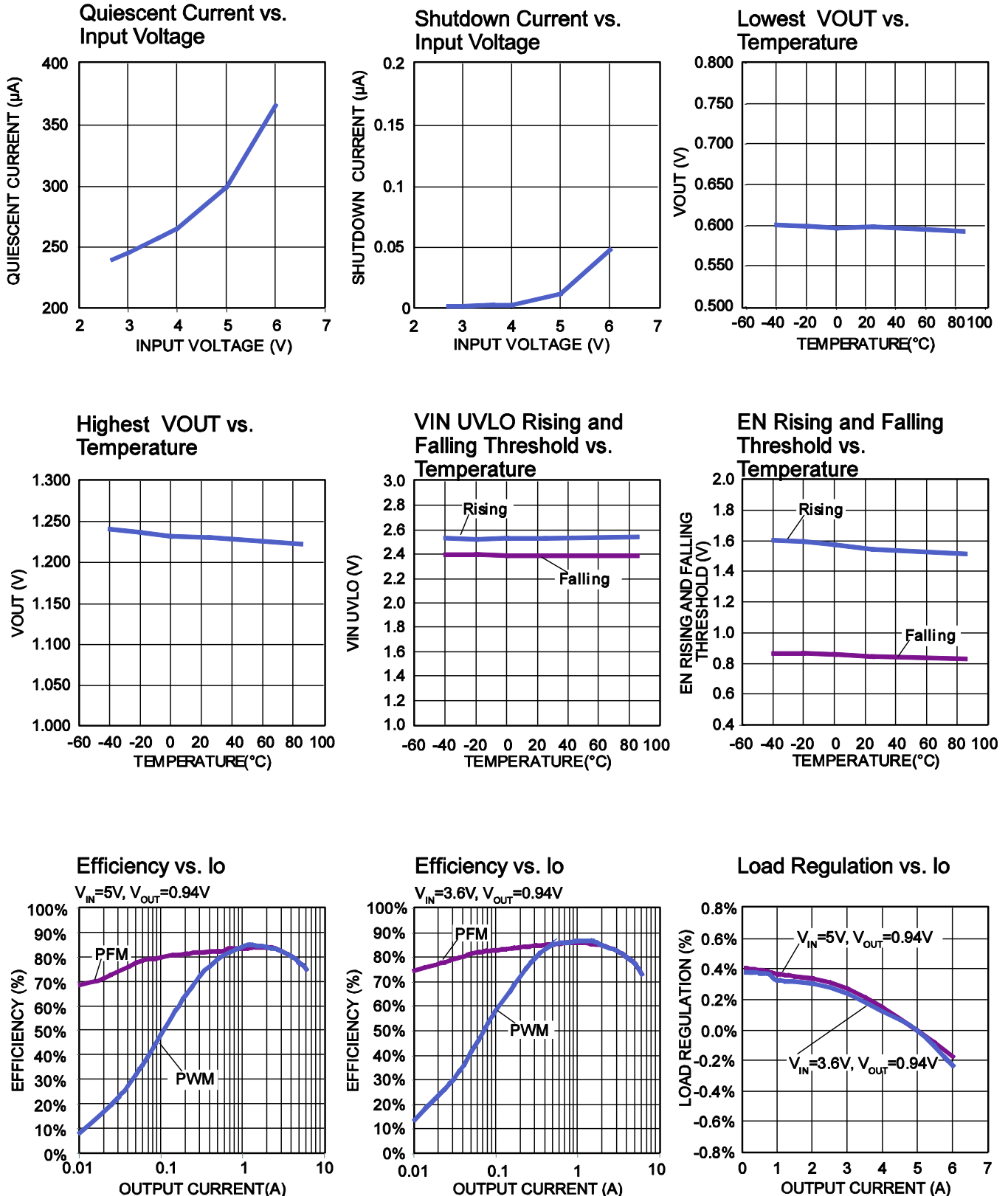
I²C PORT SIGNAL CHARACTERISTICS

Parameter	Symbol	Condition	Cb = 100pF		Cb = 400pF		Units
			Min	Max	Min	Max	
SCLH and SCL clock frequency	f _{SCHL}		0	3.4	0	0.4	MHz
Set-up time for a repeated start condition	T _{SU;STA}		160	-	600	-	ns
Hold time (repeated) start condition	T _{HD;STA}		160	-	600	-	ns
Low period of the SCL clock	t _{LOW}		160	-	1300	-	ns
High period of the SCL clock	t _{HIGH}		60	-	600	-	ns
Data set-up time	T _{SU;DAT}		10	-	100	-	ns
Data hold time	T _{HD;DAT}		0	70	0	-	ns
Rise time of SCLH signal	t _{rCL}		10	40	20*0.1Cb	300	ns
Rise time of SCLH signal after a repeated start condition and after an acknowledge bit	t _{rCL1}		10	80	20*0.1Cb	300	ns
Fall time of SCLH signal	T _{fCL}		10	40	20*0.1Cb	300	ns
Rise time of SDAH signal	t _{rDA}		10	80	20*0.1Cb	300	ns
Fall time of SDAH signal	T _{fDA}		10	80	20*0.1Cb	300	ns
Set-up time for a stop condition	T _{SU;STO}		160	-	600	-	ns
Bus free time between a stop and start condition	T _{BUF}		160	-	1300	-	ns
Data valid time	T _{VD;DAT}		-	16	-	90	ns
Data valid acknowledge time	T _{VD;ACK}		-	160	-	900	ns
Capacitive load for each bus line	Cb	SDAH and SCLH line	-	100	-	400	pF
		SDAH + SDA line and SCLH + SCL line	-	400	-	400	pF
Noise margin at the low level	V _{nL}	For each connected device	-	0.1V _{CC}	0.1V _{CC}	-	V
Noise margin at the high level	V _{nH}	For each connected device	-	0.2V _{CC}	0.2V _{CC}	-	V

NOTE: V_{CC} is the I²C bus voltage in the 1.5V to 3.3V range.

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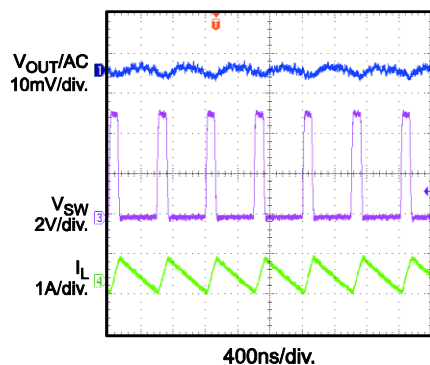
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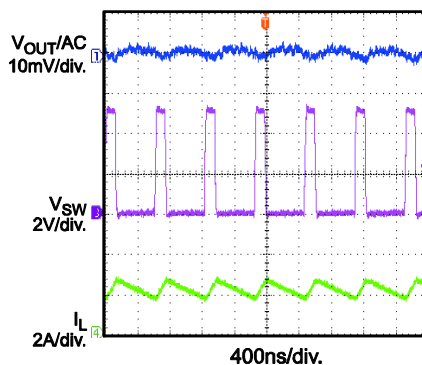


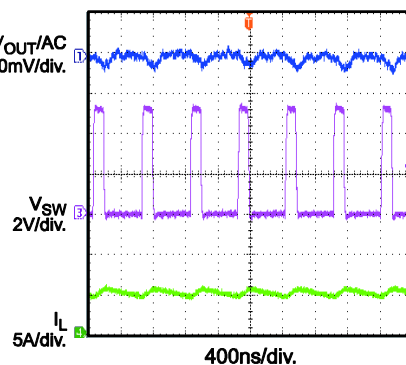
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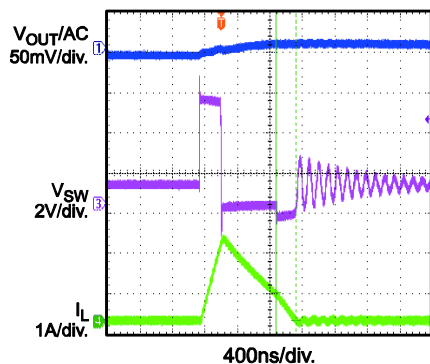
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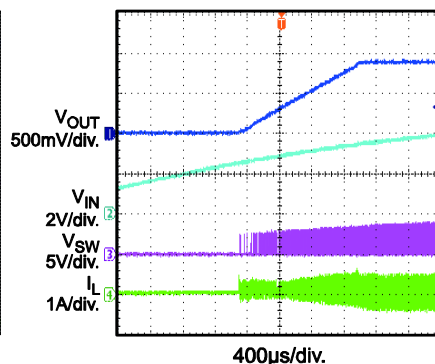
I_{OUT} = 0A

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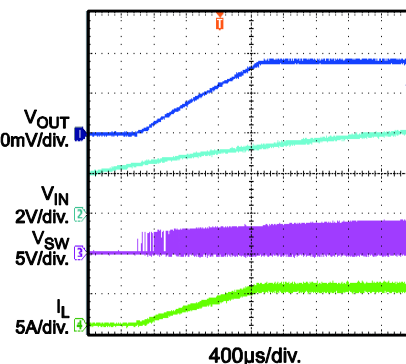
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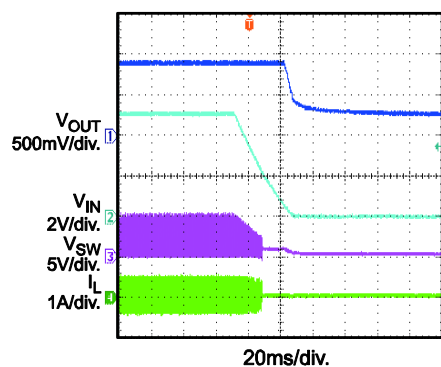
I_{OUT} = 5A

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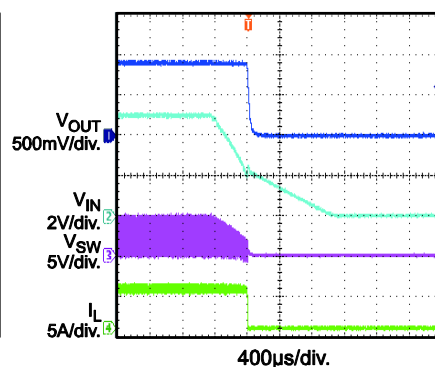
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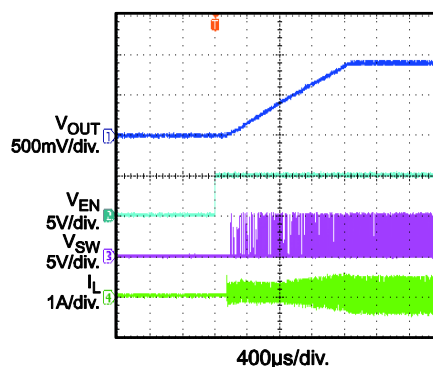

V_{IN} Power Up

I_{OUT} = 0A

V_{IN} Power Up

I_{OUT} = 5A

V_{IN} Power Down

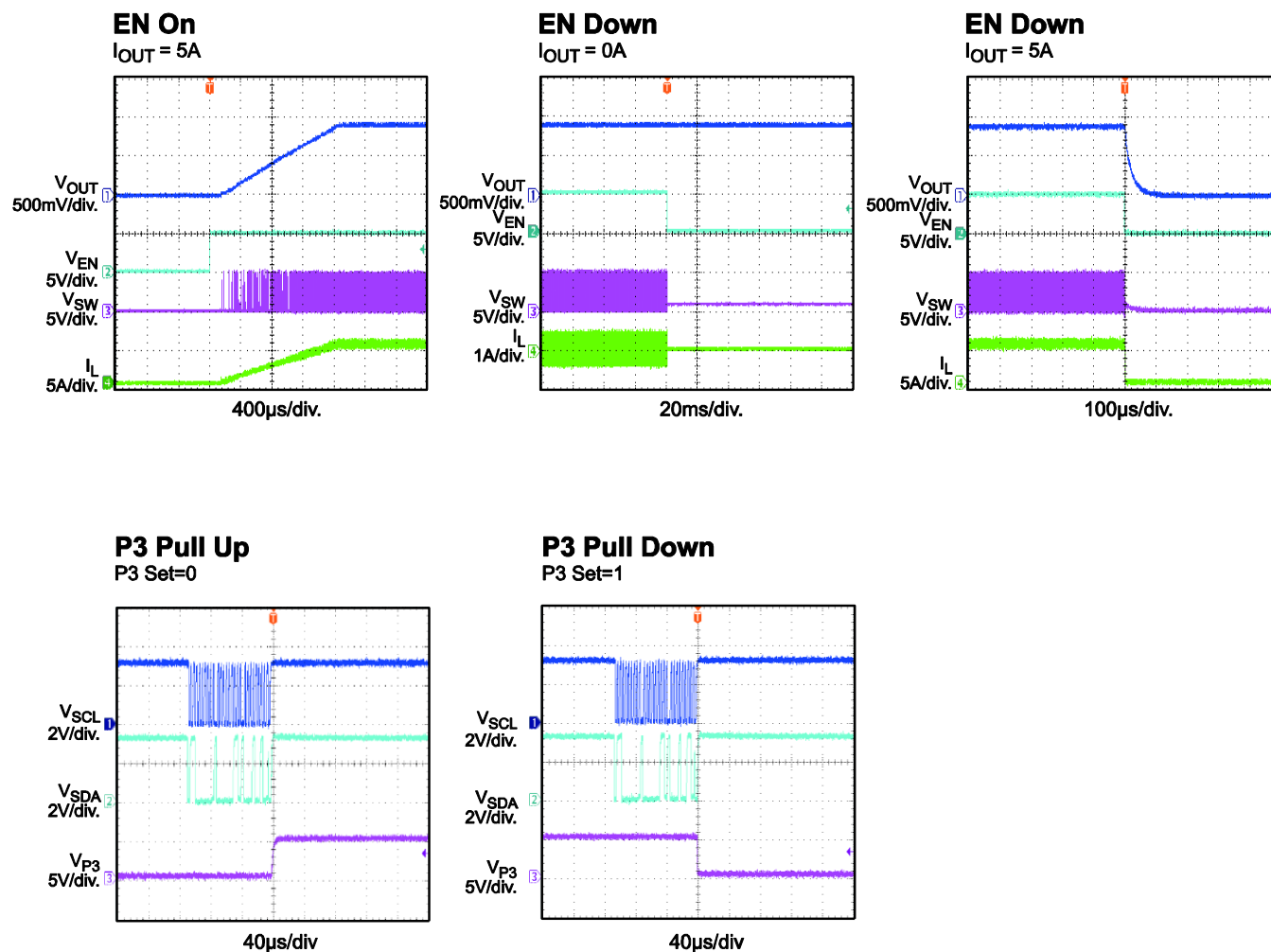
I_{OUT} = 0A

V_{IN} Power Down

I_{OUT} = 5A

EN On

I_{OUT} = 0A


TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

V_{IN} = 5V, V_{OUT} = 0.94V, L = 0.47μH, T_A = 25°C, unless otherwise noted.



PIN FUNCTIONS

Package Pin #	Name	Description
1	PG	Power good output.
2	SDA	I ² C serial data.
3, thermal pad	GND	Power ground.
4, 5, 6	VIN	Input supply voltage.
7, 8, 9	SW	Switch node.
10	EN	On and off control.
11	AGND	Analog ground.
12	VOUT	Output voltage sensing.
13	SCL	I ² C serial clock.
14	AVIN	Analog input supply voltage and multi-usage of P3 function.

REGISTERS AND DESCRIPTION

Register Map

ADD	NAME	R/W	D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
00	Status	R	ILIM	UVLO	OVP	VoOV	VoUV	PGOOD	OTW	EN stat
01	VSEL	R/W	EN	Output reference						
02	SysCntlreg1	R/W	Switching frequency			Transient response		Pglohi	Vinovp	Mode
03	SysCntlreg2	R/W	Reserved		Go	Out-dis	Gl_filt	Slew rate	P3 Enable	P3 Set
04	ID1	R	Vendor ID				Die ID			
05	ID2	R	Reserved				Die rev			

NOTE: The burst write cannot be on Reg 03.

Default Value of Registers

ADD	NAME	R/W	D7	D6	D5	D4	D3	D2	D1	D0
00	Status	R	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
01	VSEL	R/W	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
02	SysCntlreg1	R/W	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
03	SysCntlreg2	R/W	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
04	ID1	R	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
05	ID2	R	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Register Description

1. Reg00 Status

NAME	BITS	DESCRIPTION
ILIM	D7	When the bit is high, IC is in the current limit.
UVLO	D6	When the bit is high, VIN is less than the UVLO threshold.
OVP	D5	When the bit is high, VIN is greater than the OVP threshold.
VoOV	D4	When the bit is high, a voltage higher than 110% of the regulation voltage is presented.
VoUV	D3	When the bit is high, a voltage lower than 90% of the regulation voltage is presented.
PGOOD	D2	When the bit is high, the output is in regulation; otherwise, the output voltage is out of the $\pm 10\%$ regulation window.
OTW	D1	When the junction temperature is higher than 130°C, the bit is high; otherwise, the bit is low.
En Stat	D0	When the bit is high, the SMPS is enabled; when the bit is low, the SMPS is disabled.

2. Reg01 VSEL

NAME	BITS	DESCRIPTION
EN	D7	I ² C controlled enable. When EN is low, the converter is off. When EN is high, the EN bit takes over.
Output Reference	D[6:0]	Sets the output voltage from 0.6V to 1.235V (see Table 1).

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Table 1: Output Voltage Chart

D[6:0]	VOUT	D[6:0]	VOUT	D[6:0]	VOUT	D[6:0]	VOUT
000 0000	0.600	010 0000	0.760	100 0000	0.920	110 0000	1.080
000 0001	0.605	010 0001	0.765	100 0001	0.925	110 0001	1.085
000 0010	0.610	010 0010	0.770	100 0010	0.930	110 0010	1.090
000 0011	0.615	010 0011	0.775	100 0011	0.935	110 0011	1.095
000 0100	0.620	010 0100	0.780	100 0100	0.940	110 0100	1.100
000 0101	0.625	010 0101	0.785	100 0101	0.945	110 0101	1.105
000 0110	0.630	010 0110	0.790	100 0110	0.950	110 0110	1.110
000 0111	0.635	010 0111	0.795	100 0111	0.955	110 0111	1.115
000 1000	0.640	010 1000	0.800	100 1000	0.960	110 1000	1.120
000 1001	0.645	010 1001	0.805	100 1001	0.965	110 1001	1.125
000 1010	0.650	010 1010	0.810	100 1010	0.970	110 1010	1.130
000 1011	0.655	010 1011	0.815	100 1011	0.975	110 1011	1.135
000 1100	0.660	010 1100	0.820	100 1100	0.980	110 1100	1.140
000 1101	0.665	010 1101	0.825	100 1101	0.985	110 1101	1.145
000 1110	0.670	010 1110	0.830	100 1110	0.990	110 1110	1.150
000 1111	0.675	010 1111	0.835	100 1111	0.995	110 1111	1.155
001 0000	0.680	011 0000	0.840	101 0000	1.000	111 0000	1.160
001 0001	0.685	011 0001	0.845	101 0001	1.005	111 0001	1.165
001 0010	0.690	011 0010	0.850	101 0010	1.010	111 0010	1.170
001 0011	0.695	011 0011	0.855	101 0011	1.015	111 0011	1.175
001 0100	0.700	011 0100	0.860	101 0100	1.020	111 0100	1.180
001 0101	0.705	011 0101	0.865	101 0101	1.025	111 0101	1.185
001 0110	0.710	011 0110	0.870	101 0110	1.030	111 0110	1.190
001 0111	0.715	011 0111	0.875	101 0111	1.035	111 0111	1.195
001 1000	0.720	011 1000	0.880	101 1000	1.040	111 1000	1.200
001 1001	0.725	011 1001	0.885	101 1001	1.045	111 1001	1.205
001 1010	0.730	011 1010	0.890	101 1010	1.050	111 1010	1.210
001 1011	0.735	011 1011	0.895	101 1011	1.055	111 1011	1.215
001 1100	0.740	011 1100	0.900	101 1100	1.060	111 1100	1.220
001 1101	0.745	011 1101	0.905	101 1101	1.065	111 1101	1.225
001 1110	0.750	011 1110	0.910	101 1110	1.070	111 1110	1.230
001 1111	0.755	011 1111	0.915	101 1111	1.075	111 1111	1.235

3. Reg02 SysCntlreg1

NAME	BITS	DESCRIPTION			
Switching Frequency	D[7:5]	D[7:5]	Switching Frequency	D[7:5]	Switching Frequency
		000	2.2MHz	100	1.25MHz (default)
		001	2MHz	101	1.11MHz
		010	1.67MHz	110	0.85MHz
		011	--	111	--
Transient Response	D[4:3]	D[4:3]	Response Speed	D[4:3]	Response Speed
		00	Ultra-fast	01	Fast (default)
		10	Normal	11	Slow
PG_LOHI	D2	A “0” here sets PG to sense only a negative voltage excursion of Vo from the reference. A “1” (default) sets PG to detect both a positive and negative excursion of Vo from the reference.			
VIN_OVP	D1	A “1” disables the VIN OVP function. The converter continues operating. A “0” (default) turns off the converter when VIN reaches VIN MAX.			
Mode	D0	A “0” enables PFM mode; a high disables PFM mode.			

4. Reg03 SysCntlreg2

NAME	BITS	DESCRIPTION			
Reserved	D[7:6]	Reserved.			
Go	D5	Writing to this bit starts a VOUT transition regardless of its initial value.			
Output Discharge	D4	A “0” disables the output discharge. The output voltage must be discharged by the load. A high enables the internal pull-down.			
GI_filt	D3	A “0” disables the PG delay.			
Slew Rate	D2	D2	Slew Rate	D2	Slew Rate
		0	32mV/μs	1	8mV/μs
P3 Enable	D1	A “1” enables the P3 set function. Only a “1” can make the P3 Set bit control the AVIN voltage.			
P3 Set	D0	When the P3 Enable bit = 1, the AVIN voltage is pulled high if P3 Set = 0; otherwise, the AVIN voltage is pulled low.			

5. Reg04 ID1

NAME	BITS	DESCRIPTION
Vendor ID	D[7:4]	Vendor ID.
Die ID	D[3:0]	IC type.

6. Reg05 ID2

NAME	BITS	DESCRIPTION
Reserved	D[7:4]	Reserved.
Die Rev	D[3:0]	Die revision.

Operation Status

CONDITION	PG	REGULATION	LATCH-OFF	STATUS BIT
VIN over-voltage	Low	Off	No	OVP
VIN under-voltage	Low	Off	N/A	UVLO
Thermal warning	Low	On	No	OTW
Thermal shutdown	Low	Off	Yes	N/A
Current limit	High	On	No	ILIM
Output under-voltage	Low	Off	Yes	VoUV
Output over voltage (>110% of target output)	Low	On	No	VoOV

BLOCK DIAGRAM

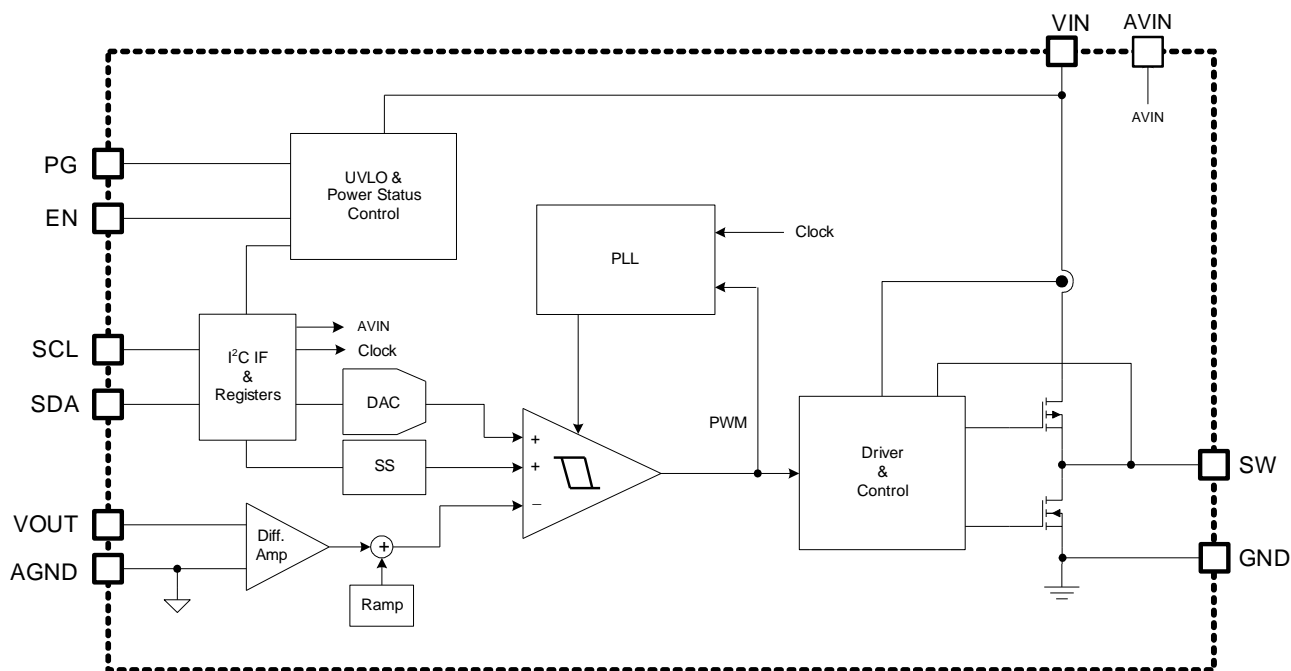


Figure 1: Functional Block Diagram

OPERATION

The MP8848 is a low-voltage, 6A, synchronous, step-down converter with a controllable I²C interface. The MP8848 applies MPS's patented constant-frequency hysteretic control to utilize fast transient response of the hysteretic control and keep the switching frequency constant. No compensation is required, which simplifies the design procedure.

The MP8848 integrates an I²C-compatible interface that allows transfers of up to 3.4Mbps. This communication interface can be used for dynamic voltage scaling with voltage steps down to 5mV with the output voltage from 0.6V to 1.235V. The voltage transition slew rate can be controlled as well.

Light-Load Operation

In light-load condition, the MP8848 uses a proprietary control scheme to save power and improve efficiency. The MP8848 turns off the low-side switch when the inductor current begins reversing. The MP8848 then works in discontinuous conduction mode (DCM) operation.

Enable (EN)

When the input voltage is greater than the under-voltage lockout (UVLO) threshold (typically 2.55V), the MP8848 can be enabled by pulling EN above 1.8V. Pull EN down to ground to disable the MP8848. The IC can also be disabled by floating EN. There is an internal 1MΩ resistor from EN to ground.

Soft Start (SS)

The MP8848 has a built-in soft start that ramps up the output voltage at a controlled slew rate, preventing inrush current and output voltage overshoot at start-up. The soft-start time is about 1ms.

Power Good (PG) Indicator

The MP8848 has an open-drain output for power good (PG) indication. When the output voltage is within $\pm 10\%$ of the regulation voltage, PG is pulled up to VIN by the external resistor.

Current Limit

The MP8848 has a typical 11A current limit for the high-side switch. When the high-side switch reaches the current limit, the MP8848 expands the minimum off time until the current drops to 5.8A before the high-side switch is turned on for the next switching cycle. This prevents the inductor current from continuing to build up and damaging the components.

Thermal Protection

The MP8848 employs thermal shutdown by monitoring the junction temperature of the IC internally. If the junction temperature exceeds the thermal warning threshold (around 130°C), OTW is set. If there is no action or response from the system, the junction temperature continues rising until it exceeds the thermal shutdown threshold (typically 150°C). After thermal shutdown, a new power start-up cycle is needed to turn on the MP8848 again.

I²C INTERFACE

The MP8848 can communicate with the core and the I²C for smart design. MPS has a GUI control interface (see Figure 2). The installation process and usage can be found in the MP884x Family Software Guide.

I²C Address

The I²C slave address of the MP8848 is 0xC0H/0xC1H internally (see Table 2). If other slave addresses are needed, please contact the factory.

Table 2: I²C Slave Address

Hex	A7	A6	A5	A4	A3	A2	A1	A0
W 0xC0 R 0xC1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	R/W
Address	0x60							

I²C Enable

The MP8848's EN pin can start up and shut down the converter, and the I²C EN pin can control the converter as well. The Reg01 VSEL D7 bit is I²C-controlled enabled. When writing D7 = 0, the converter is off. When writing D7 = 1, the converter is on. Both the external EN and I²C EN can control the converter. The converter works only when both EN pins are high.

Output Voltage Select

The MP8848 output voltage is I²C-programmable. There is no need to set feedback resistors to achieve different output voltages. The default output voltage is 0.94V but can be set from 0.6V to 1.235V in 5mV steps via the I²C. To change the output voltage, write the Go bit (Reg03 SysCntlreg2 [D5]) to 1. This action means that the output voltage can be set to another value that is not the default Vo voltage. Then write the Output Reference bit (Reg01 VSEL [D6:D0]). The output voltage can be changed according to Table 1.

To guarantee a normal output voltage, the input voltage is suggested to be 1.5V higher than the pre-set output voltage.

Switching Frequency

The default switching frequency of the MP8848 is 1.25MHz. However, the frequency can also be changed based on the application. By writing the Switching Frequency bits (Reg02 SysCntlreg1 [D7:D5]), the switching frequency can be programmed to one of six possible values. Their corresponding data can be found in Reg02 SysCntlreg1.

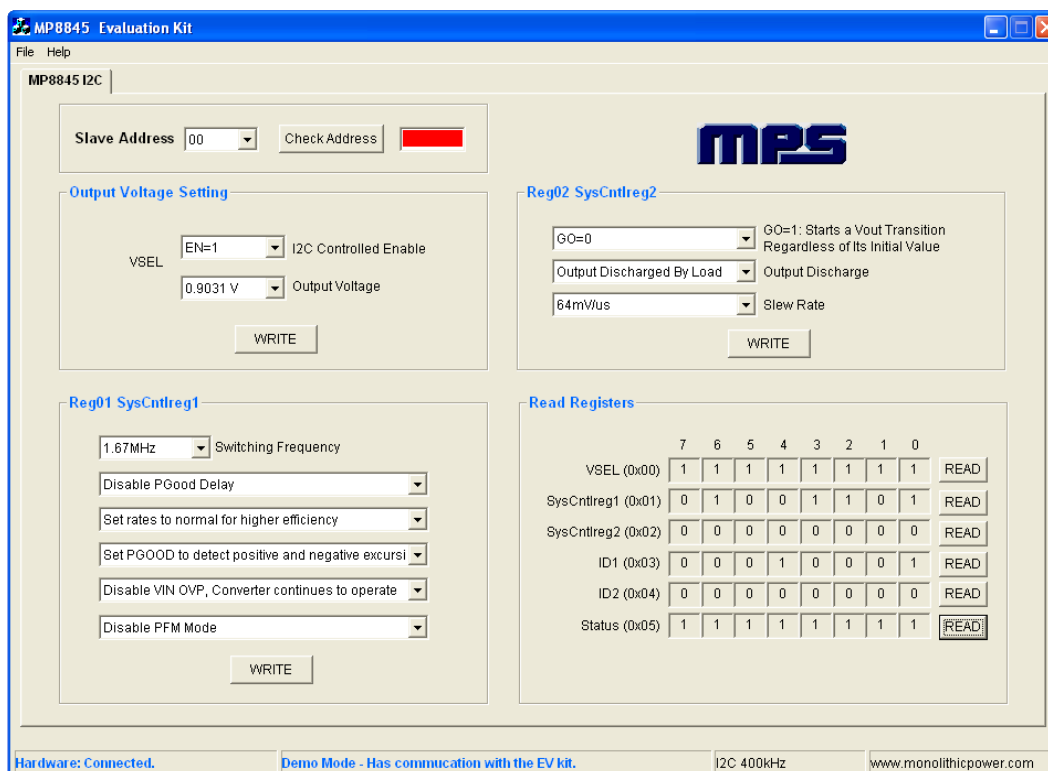


Figure 2: MP884x Family Control Interface

PG Configuration

The MP8848 has an option to use the PG_LOHI function. This function can be written in the PG_LOHI bit (Reg02 Syscntlreg1 [D2]). The default value is 1, where PG senses both a positive and negative excursion of Vo from the reference. If writing this bit to 0, PG only senses a negative voltage excursion of Vo from the reference.

Input Over-Voltage Protection (OVP)

The MP8848 has an option to use the VIN_OVP function. This function can be written in the VIN_OVP bit (Reg02 Syscntlreg1 [D1]). The default value is 0, where the VIN_OVP function is enabled. When VIN is higher than 6.3V, the converter is disabled. After VIN recovers to 6.2V, the converter restarts. If the VIN_OVP bit is set to 1, VIN OVP is disabled. The converter will not stop, even if VIN exceeds its safe range.

Forced Continuous Conduction Mode (CCM)

The MP8848 has auto-pulse-frequency modulation (PFM) mode and forced continuous conduction mode (CCM). This function can be written in the Mode bit (Reg02 Syscntlreg1 [D0]). The default value is 0, where auto-PFM mode is selected. Considering a smaller Vo ripple and regulation for a full load range, forced CCM is recommended. Set this bit to 1 to disable PFM mode.

Output Discharge

The MP8848 has an output discharge function. Writing the Out-dis bit (Reg03 SysCntlreg2 [D4]) can change the output discharge mode. The default value is 1. Discharge the internal Vo resistance when EN is low. Writing D4 = 1 can enable the function, and then the output voltage can be discharged by the internal pull-down resistance.

Output Voltage Transition Slew Rate

When the output voltage switches from low to high or from high to low, the transition slew rate can differ. There are two possible values for selection. Through writing the Slew Rate bits (Reg03 Syscntlreg2 D2), the transition slew rate can be set at one possible value based on the application. The internal reference follows the set slew rate, but the output voltage slew rate does not always follow the internal reference. Considering the output capacitor and inductor, the actual output voltage slew rate should be a little slower.

AVIN Multi-Use

The MP8848's AVIN pin has multi-usage. When the P3 Enable bit (Reg03 SysCntlreg2 D1) is 0, AVIN is an internal analog supply. When the P3 Control bit (Reg03 sysCntlrg2 D1) is 1, the P3 voltage is controlled by the P3 Set bit (Reg03 sysCntlrg2 D0). The P3 voltage is high if D0 = 0; otherwise, the P3 voltage is low (see Table 3).

Table 3: AVIN Multi-Use

D1	D0	AVIN
0	0	Internal analog supply
0	1	
1	0	Forced to 1
1	1	Forced to 0

I²C Register Hold On

The MP8848 has a special function: the I²C register can hold on after EN changes low. The updated register can be held for later application conditions, even if the external EN pulls low.

TYPICAL APPLICATION CIRCUITS

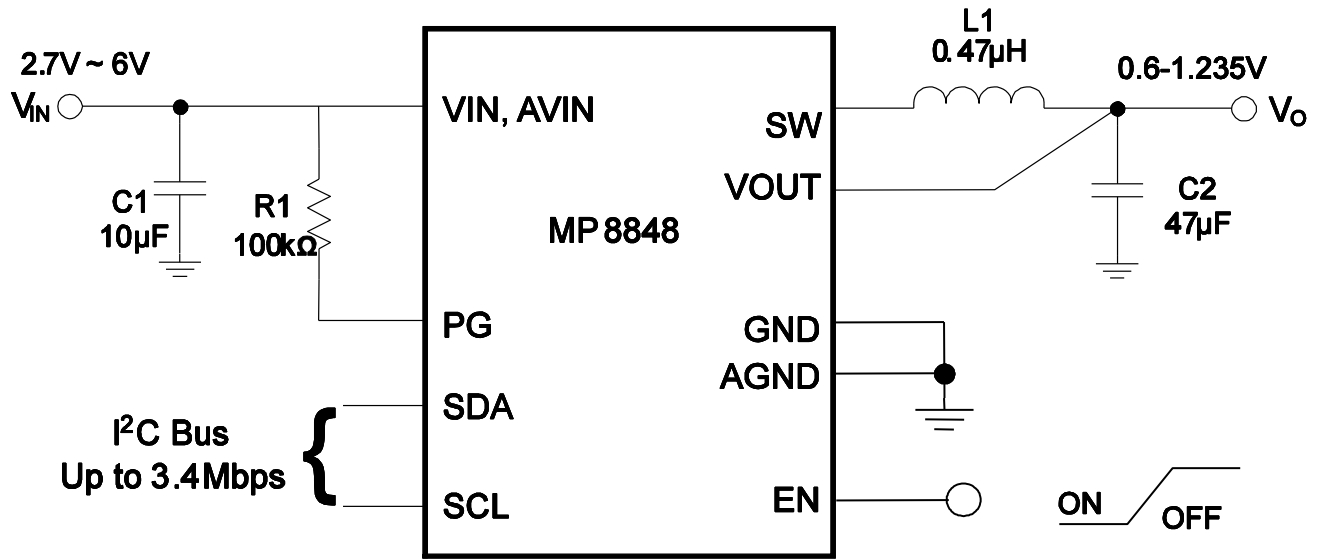
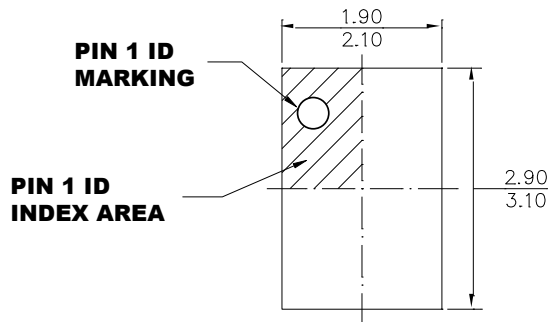


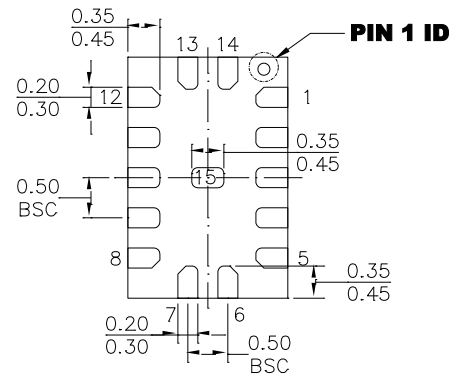
Figure 3: Application Circuit

PACKAGE INFORMATION

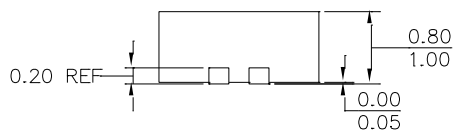
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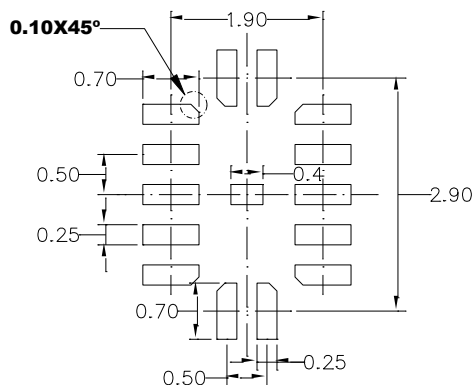
TOP VIEW



BOTTOM VIEW



SIDE VIEW



RECOMMENDED LAND PATTERN

NOTE:

- 1) ALL DIMENSIONS ARE IN MILLIMETERS.
- 2) LEAD COPLANARITY SHALL BE 0.10 MILLIMETERS MAX.
- 3) JEDEC REFERENCE IS MO-220.
- 4) DRAWING IS NOT TO SCALE.

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