



MIC2208 Evaluation Board

3mm × 3mm 1MHz Buck Converter

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General Description

The Micrel MIC2208 is a high efficiency PWM buck (step-down) regulator that provides up to 3A of output current. The MIC2208 operates at 1MHz and has external voltage mode compensation that allows a closed loop bandwidth of over 100 KHz

The low-on-resistance internal p-channel MOSFET of the MIC2208 allows efficiencies over 94% and reduces external component count and eliminates the need for an expensive current sense resistor.

The MIC2208 operates from 2.7V to 5.5V input and the output can be adjusted down to 1V. The devices can operate with a maximum duty cycle of 100% for use in low-dropout conditions.

Requirements

The MIC2208 evaluation board requires an input power source that is able to deliver greater than 2.7V at over 3A. The output load can either be an active or passive source.

Precautions

The evaluation board does not have reverse polarity protection. Applying a negative voltage to the V_{IN} terminal may damage the device.

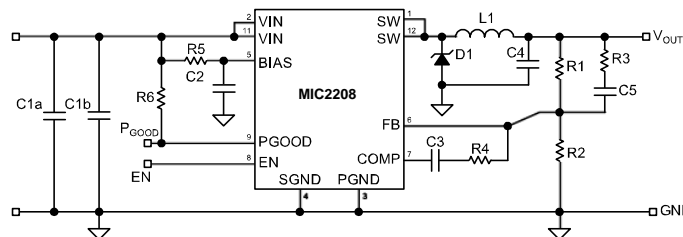
In addition, the maximum operating voltage of the MIC2208 evaluation board is 5.5V. Exceeding 6V on the input could damage the device. **For short circuit testing, an additional input capacitor over 22uF is required.** This is preferably an electrolytic, but may be tantalum or ceramic. When using long test leads to

provide power to the device. The inductance in long leads can be over 1uH. During a short circuit condition, the high peak currents through the test leads may cause the input voltage to spike and exceed the absolute maximum rating of 6V, possibly damaging the device.

Getting Started

1. **Connect an external supply to V_{IN} .** Apply desired input voltage to the V_{IN} and ground terminals of the evaluation board, paying careful attention to polarity and supply voltage ($2.7V < V_{IN} < 5.5V$). An ammeter may be placed between the input supply and the V_{IN} terminal to the evaluation board. Ensure the supply voltage is monitored at the V_{IN} terminal. The ammeter and/or power lead resistance can reduce the voltage supplied to the input.
2. **Connect the load to the V_{OUT} and ground terminals.** The load can be either passive (resistive) or active (as in an electronic load). An ammeter can be placed between the load and the V_{OUT} terminal. Ensure the output voltage is monitored at the V_{OUT} terminal. The default output voltage is set to 1.8V. This can be adjusted by changing the feedback resistors. See "Output Voltage."
3. **Enable the MIC2208.** Apply a 1.3V or greater voltage source to the enable pin.

Typical Application



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Output Voltage

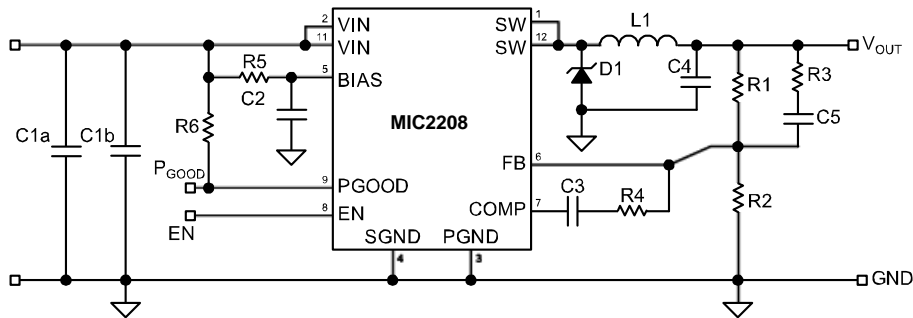
The output voltage on the MIC2208 evaluation board is adjustable. The output voltage is controlled by the feedback resistors (R1 and R2) and can be calculated as follows:

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

The evaluation board is initially adjusted to 1.8V, but can easily be modified by removing R2 and replacing it with the value that yields the desired output voltage. (Removing R2 sets the output to 1V.)

$$R2 = \frac{48.7\text{k}\Omega}{\left(\frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{1\text{V}} - 1 \right)}$$

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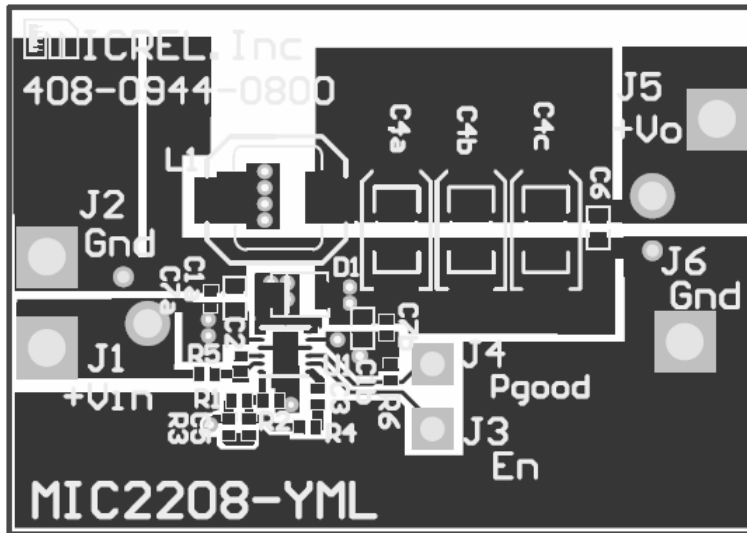
Bill of Materials

| Item | Part Number | Description | Manufacturer | Qty |
|---------|-------------------------------|---|------------------|-----|
| C1a,C1b | C2012JB0J106K | 10uF Ceramic Capacitor X5R 0805 6.3V | TDK | 2 |
| | GRM219R60J106KE19 | 10uF Ceramic Capacitor X5R 0805 6.3V | Murata | |
| | 08056D106MAT | 10uF Ceramic Capacitor X5R 0805 6.3V | AVX | |
| C2 | 0402ZD104MAT | 0.1uF Ceramic Capacitor X5R 0402 10V | AVX | 1 |
| C3 | 0402ZD103MAT | 1nF Ceramic Capacitor X5R 0402 10V | AVX | 2 |
| C4 | C3216X5R0J476K | 47uF Ceramic Capacitor X5R 1206 6.3V | TDK | 1 |
| | GRM32ER60J476ME20 | 47uF Ceramic Capacitor X5R 1206 6.3V | Murata | |
| | 12106D476MAT2A | 47uF Ceramic Capacitor X5R 1210 6.3V | AVX | |
| C5 | VJ0402A330KXAA | 33pF Ceramic Capacitor 0402 | Vishay VT | 1 |
| D1 | SSA33L | 3A Schottky 30V SMA | Vishay Semi | 1 |
| L1 | RLF7030-1R0N6R4 | 1uH Inductor 8.8mOhm 7.1mm(L) x 6.8mm (W)x 3.2mm(H) | TDK | 1 |
| | 744 778 9001 | 1uH Inductor 12mOhm 7.3mm(L)x7.3mm(W)x3.2mm(H) | Würth Electronik | |
| | IHLP2525AH-01 1 | 1uH Inductor 17.5mΩ (L)6.47mmx(W)6.86mmx(H) 1.8mm | Vishay Dale | |
| R1 | CRCW04024992F | 49.9KΩ 1% 0402 resistor | Vishay Dale | 1 |
| | | 33.2 kΩ 1% 0402 For 2.5V _{OUT} | Vishay Dale | |
| | | 61.9 kΩ 1% 0402 For 1.8 V _{OUT} | Vishay Dale | |
| | | 100 kΩ 1% 0402 For 1.5 V _{OUT} | Vishay Dale | |
| | | 249 kΩ 1% 0402 For 1.2 V _{OUT} | Vishay Dale | |
| | Open For 1.0 V _{OUT} | Vishay Dale | | |
| R3 | CRCW04024991F | 4.99KΩ 1% 0402 resistor | Vishay Dale | 1 |
| R4 | CRCW04024991F | 90.9KΩ 1% 0402 resistor | Vishay Dale | 1 |
| R5 | CRCW040210R0F | 10Ω 1% 0402 resistor | Vishay Dale | 1 |
| R6 | CRCW04021002F | 10KΩ 1% 0402 resistor | Vishay Dale | 1 |
| U1 | MIC2208BML | 1MHz 3A Buck Regulator | Micrel | 1 |

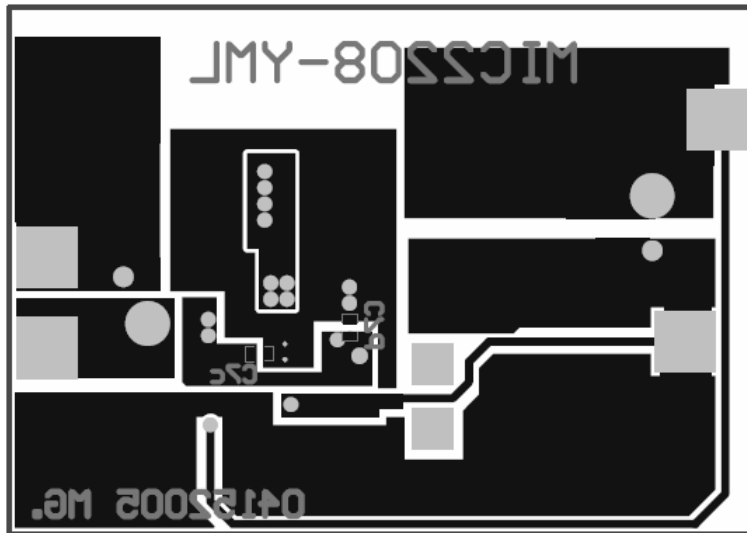
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- 1. TDK: www.TDK.com
- 2. Murata Tel: www.Murata.com
- 3. AVX: www.AVX.com
- 4. Vishay: www.Vishay.com
- 5. Micrel Semiconductor :www.Micrel.com

Topside



Bottom Side



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