

**1988 MPQ2484**<br>75V, Multi-Topology LED Controller<br>with Multiple Dimming Modes, **75V, Multi-Topology LED Controller with Multiple Dimming Modes, AEC-Q100 Qualified**

# **DESCRIPTION**

The MPQ2484 is a flexible, multi-topology, asynchronous controller for LED lights with a high brightness. The device supports buck, boost, and buck-boost configurations, which makes it well-suited for multi-purpose applications. The MPQ2484 features a wide 4.5V to 45V input voltage  $(V_{\text{IN}})$  range, with a maximum boost voltage up to 75V. Peak current mode operation provides fast transient response and eases loop stabilization.

The switching frequency  $(f_{SW})$  can be set by the FSET pin, or it can be synchronized by a 100kHz to 2.2MHz external clock signal. The configurable frequency spread spectrum (FSS) function can periodically enable dither switching to improve EMI.

The MPQ2484 provides dimming switch mode with a P-channel MOSFET. During normal operation without a P-channel MOSFET, twostep dimming or PWM dimming can be selected.

Robust fault protections include thermal shutdown, cycle-by-cycle peak current limiting, output over-voltage protection (OVP), output short-circuit protection (SCP), LED open protection, and LED short protection. The fault indicator outputs an active logic low signal if a fault occurs.

The MPQ2484 is available in a TSSOP-28EP package.

# **FEATURES**

- **Built to Handle Automotive Lighting:** 
	- o Load Dump Up to 45V
	- o Cold Crank Down to 4.5V
	- o Maximum 75V Boost Output
	- o Multiple Dimming Modes
	- o Two-Step Dimming via the H/L Pin
	- o External PWM Dimming via the PDIM Pin
	- o Integrated P-Channel Dimming MOSFET Driver
	- o Available in AEC-Q100 Grade 1
- Supports Buck, Boost, and Buck-Boost **Topologies**
- **Low-Noise EMI/EMC:** 
	- o Frequency Spread Spectrum (FSS)
	- o Configurable or Synchronizable Switching Frequency (f<sub>SW</sub>)
- **Robust Protections:** 
	- o Cycle-by-Cycle Current Limit
	- o Output Over-Voltage Protection (OVP)
	- o Open LED Protection
	- o LED String Anode/Cathode to Battery/Ground Short Protection
	- o One or More LEDs Short Protection
	- o Over-Temperature Shutdown
	- o Fault Flag Output
- **Additional Features:** 
	- o <5μA Shutdown Current
	- o <1mA Quiescent Current
	- o Configurable Current-Sense Reference via an External Setting Resistor
	- o External Loop Compensation
	- o Available in a TSSOP-28EP Package

# **APPLICATIONS**

- **Automotive Exterior LED Lighting:** 
	- o Headlights
- o Daytime Running Lights (DRLs)
- o Fog Lights/Signal Lights
- Indoor and Outdoor LED Lighting
- Commercial and Industrial LED Lighting

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# **TYPICAL APPLICATION**









**MPQ2484 – 75V, MULTI-TOPOLOGY LED CONTROLLER WITH MULTI DIM, AEC-Q100**

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**Figure 3: Buck Configuration** 



## **ORDERING INFORMATION**



\*For Tape & Reel, add suffix -Z (e.g. MPQ2484GF-AEC1-Z). \*\*Moisture Sensitivity Level Rating

# **TOP MARKING (MPQ2484GF-AEC1)**

MPSYYWW

MP2484

**LLLLLLLLL** 

MPS: MPS prefix YY: Year code WW: Week code MP2484: Part number LLLLLLLLL: Lot number



# **PACKAGE REFERENCE**



# **PIN FUNCTIONS**





# **PIN FUNCTIONS** *(continued)*



# **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**  (1)



### *Electrostatic Discharge (ESD) Ratings*



### *Recommended Operating Conditions*



### *Thermal Resistance*  (5) *θJA θJC*

### TSSOP-28EP

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### **Notes:**

- 1) Absolute maximum ratings are rated under room temperature unless otherwise noted. 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-toambient thermal resistance,  $\theta_{JA}$ , and the ambient temperature,  $T_A$ . The maximum allowable continuous power dissipation at any ambient temperature is calculated by  $P_D$  $(MAX) = (T_J (MAX) - T_A) / \theta_{JA}$ . Exceeding the maximum allowable power dissipation can cause excessive die temperature, and the device may go into thermal shutdown. Internal thermal shutdown circuitry protects the device from permanent damage.
- 3) Per AEC-Q100-002.
- 4) Per AEC-Q100-011.
- 5) Measured on JESD51-7, 4-layer PCB. The value of  $\theta_{JA}$  given in this table is only valid for comparison with other packages and cannot be used for design purposes. These values were calculated in accordance with JESD51-7 and simulated on a specified JEDEC board. They do not represent the performance obtained in an actual application.



# **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

**VIN = 12V, VEN = 2V, TJ = -40°C to +150°C, all voltages with respect to ground, typical values are at TJ = 25°C, unless otherwise noted.**



# **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS** *(continued)*

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**Note:** 

6) Not tested in production. Guaranteed by design and characterization.

# **TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

 $V_{IN}$  = 12V,  $T_J$  = -40°C to +125°C, unless otherwise noted.



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**FSPD Source/Sink Current vs. Temperature**





# **TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS**

**Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs (VLED = 24V), VIN = 12V, fSW = 410kHz, L = 10µH, TA = 25°C, unless otherwise noted.** 



**Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 24V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 



**Shutdown through VIN** 



### **Start-Up through EN**   $I_{LED} = 1.5A$





Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 



**PWM Dimming Steady State** 



**PWM Dimming Steady State**  Dimming frequency = 2kHz











**Two-Step Dimming Steady State**  Dimming frequency = 1.8kHz



**Two-Step Dimming**  Start-up through VIN









Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 



### **No Dimming**  LED open fault, start-up **REF: VIN CH3: /FLT CH1: VSW CH2: VICS+ CH4: I<sup>L</sup>**  $\frac{1}{20.0 \text{ V}}$  $M$  200ms A Ch3 1 2.50  $\overline{R}$ Ch<sub>2</sub>  $50.0V$

### **No Dimming**  LED open fault, shutdown







Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 



### **PWM Dimming**  LED open fault, shutdown



### **PWM Dimming**  LED open fault entry











**Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs (V<sub>LED</sub> = 24V), V<sub>IN</sub> = 12V,**  $f_{SW}$  **= 410kHz, L = 10µH, T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C, unless otherwise noted.** 





**Two-Step Dimming** 













Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 



**PWM Dimming**  One or more LED short faults, steady state



**No Dimming**  One or more LED short faults entry and recovery **CH2: /FLT CH1: VSW CH3: ILED CH4: I<sup>L</sup>**  $M = 0.0$  ms  $A$  Ch<sub>2</sub> **MCh2**  $2.20$ 

### **PWM Dimming**  One or more LED short faults, start-up







One or more LED short faults entry and recovery





Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 



**Two-Step Dimming**  One or more LED short faults, shutdown



**Two-Step Dimming** 

One or more LED short faults entry and recovery









Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 





**PWM Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short, steady state



**PWM Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short, start-up









Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 



### **Two-Step Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short, shutdown



### **Two-Step Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short entry and recovery





Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 



**No Dimming**  LED+ to PGND short recovery



**PWM Dimming**  LED+ to PGND short, steady state







**PWM Dimming** 



# **TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS**

**Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 24V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 





**Two-Step Dimming**  LED+ to PGND short, steady state



### **Two-Step Dimming**  LED+ to PGND short, start-up











Buck-boost mode, 8 LEDs,  $V_{LED} = 24V$ ,  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ ,  $L = 10\mu H$ ,  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ , unless **otherwise noted.** 

### **Two-Step Dimming**









**Shutdown through VIN** 

















**PWM Dimming Steady State** 



**PWM Dimming Steady State**  Dimming frequency = 2kHz













**Two-Step Dimming Steady State**  Dimming frequency = 1.8kHz



**Two-Step Dimming**  Start-up through VIN









**Boost mode, 12 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 36V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 





### **No Dimming**  LED open fault, shutdown





**Boost mode, 12 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 36V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 



### **PWM Dimming**  LED open fault, shutdown ö **REF: VIN CH3: /FLT CH1: VSW CH2: VICS+ CH4: I<sup>L</sup>**  $\frac{1}{20.0 \text{ V}}$   $\frac{1}{20.0 \text{ V}}$  $M400ms$  A Ch2 1 28.0  $50.0V$

### **PWM Dimming**  LED open fault entry









**Boost mode, 12 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 36V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 



LED open fault, shutdown Ħ **REF: VIN CH3: /FLT CH1: VSW CH2: VICS+ CH4: I<sup>L</sup>**  $M/400ms$  A  $Ch<sup>2</sup>$  31.0

**Two-Step Dimming** 

**Two-Step Dimming**  LED open fault entry



**Two-Step Dimming** 

 $\overline{\text{Ch1}}$  $20.0V$ 



 $k$ Ch<sub>2</sub>

 $\frac{1}{50.0}$ 



**No Dimming**  One or more LED short fault, start-up



**No Dimming**  One or more LED short fault, steady state





**Boost mode, 12 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 36V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 





### **PWM Dimming**

One or more LED short faults, steady state



# **PWM Dimming**

One or more LED short faults, start-up





### **PWM Dimming**

One or more LED short faults entry and recovery





**Boost mode, 12 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 36V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 



**Two-Step Dimming**  One or more LED short faults, start-up



**Two-Step Dimming** 

One or more LED short faults, shutdown



### **Two-Step Dimming**

One or more LED short faults entry and recovery









**Boost mode, 12 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 36V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 





**PWM Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short, steady state **CH2: /FLT CH1: VSW CH3: ILED CH4: I<sup>L</sup>**  $\begin{array}{c|c} i & i & i \\ \hline 10.0 \text{ V} & k \text{Ch2} \\ \hline 1.00 \text{ A} \Omega^k \text{ Gh4} \end{array}$  $\frac{1}{5.00 \text{ V}}$   $\frac{1}{8}$ <br>2.00 A  $\Omega$ <u>NM20.0ms</u> A Ch1 <del>J</del>  $8.60$  $\overline{\text{ch1}}$ 

**PWM Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short, start-up

**No Dimming** 





**PWM Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short entry and recovery



**Boost mode, 12 LEDs,**  $V_{LED} = 36V$ **,**  $V_{IN} = 12V$ **,**  $f_{SW} = 410kHz$ **,**  $L = 10\mu H$ **,**  $T_A = 25^{\circ}C$ **, unless otherwise noted.** 





**Two-Step Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short, shutdown



**Two-Step Dimming**  LED+ to LED- short entry and recovery





# **FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM**







# **OPERATION**

The MPQ2484 converter can support three single-channel LED driver configurations: boost mode, buck-boost mode, and low-side buck mode.

### **VCC Regulator**

An internal low-dropout (LDO) regulator outputs a nominal 8.5V VCC supply from the VIN pin. This supplies power for both control blocks, as well as the N-channel MOSFET's gate driver. The VCC regulator features a 100mA current limit to prevent short circuits on the VCC rail. Place a 1µF to 10µF, low-ESR ceramic bypass capacitor from VCC to PGND.

The VCC supply cannot maintain an 8.5V output once  $V_{IN}$  drops below 8.5V. VCC can only be powered from VIN if  $V_{\text{IN}}$  is exceeds 8.5V, with the highest driver capacity possible. When  $V_{IN}$  is below 8.5V, choose a MOSFET with a lower  $V_{GS}$ <sub>TH</sub>. VCC can also be powered by an external auxiliary supply that meets its voltage limit.

### **Under-Voltage Lockout (UVLO)**

Under-voltage lockout (UVLO) prevents the device (and certain blocks) from operating at an insufficient supply voltage. There are three internal, fixed UVLO comparators that monitor  $V_{IN}$ ,  $V_{CC}$ , and  $V_{ICS+}$ .

The MPQ2484 stops switching if either  $V_{IN}$  or V<sub>cc</sub> falls below their respective UVLO threshold. Because the dimming P-channel MOSFET driver is powered from  $V_{\text{ICS}_{+}}$ , this MOSFET shuts down if  $V_{\text{ICS}_+}$  drops below its UVLO threshold.

If  $V_{IN}$  falls below 3.9V, all switching is disabled. Then the COMP voltage  $(V_{COMP})$  is pulled down until VIN exceeds 4.15V.

Similarly, if  $V_{CC}$  drops below 3.9V, switching is disabled and  $V_{\text{COMP}}$  is then pulled down until V<sub>CC</sub> exceeds 4.135V.

Since  $V_{\text{CC}}$  is the internal LDO output from VIN, the actual  $V_{CC}$  is determined by  $V_{IN}$  and the dropout voltage of the VCC regulator. The dropout voltage depends on the load current drawn from VCC. For applications with a higher switching frequency (f<sub>SW</sub>) or larger MOFFET driving capacity demand, there may be a rise in the VCC regulator's dropout voltage. If this occurs,  $V_{CC}$  may reach its UVLO threshold before  $V_{IN}$  when  $V_{IN}$  drops.

If the converter's output voltage  $(V_{ICS_+})$  drops below 8.5V, DIMO is pulled up to ICS+ to turn off the dimming P-channel MOSFET until  $V_{ICS_+}$ exceeds 8.7V. If  $V_{ICS_{+}}$  UVLO occurs, the device's performance is not affected.

In buck mode, VICS+ provides the input voltage, so ensure that  $V_{IN}$  exceeds  $V_{ICS+UVLO}$  if the Pchannel MOSFET is supposed to act as a dimming MOSFET. Note that the device can still operate in dimming mode without the dimming MOSFET. A dimming P-channel MOSFET is recommended for buck mode.

### **On/Off Control and Custom Input Under-Voltage Lockout (UVLO)**

When EN is driven above its logic threshold, the VCC regulator is activated. Once  $V_{CC}$  exceeds its UVLO threshold, it starts to provide power to the internal control circuitry, and the integrated EN comparator begins operating.

If the EN voltage exceeds the comparator's upper threshold (typically 1.5V), the converter is enabled, and soft start (SS) begins. If EN falls below the comparator's lower threshold, then the converter stops switching; however, the VCC regulator and control circuitry continue working until the EN pin is pulled below its logic threshold (<0.4V). Then the chip enters shutdown mode while consuming a tiny input current.

In addition to providing standard on/off logic control, the integrated EN comparator allows the EN pin to set a custom input UVLO threshold by placing an external resistor divider from VIN to GND (see Figure 5).



**Figure 5: Custom Input UVLO Set by EN** 



The EN voltage is achieved via the resistor divider ratio from VIN. When the EN level reaches the UVLO rising threshold for the integrated EN comparator (about 1.5V), the converter starts switching. Meanwhile, an internal 0.63µA pull-up current source is enabled to source current out of the EN pin.

When  $V_{IN}$  drops to disable the converter, the EN voltage must drop below the EN comparator's UVLO threshold. This means  $V_{IN}$  must stay above the UVLO threshold to overcome the hysteresis from the 0.63µA pull-up current, as well as the inherent 150mV hysteresis of the EN comparator. As a result, the actual hysteresis can be set independently without changing the rising UVLO threshold.

### **Start-Up**

If both VIN and EN exceed their UVLO rising thresholds, the internal LDO starts to charge the VCC capacitor. As  $V_{CC}$  rises to reach its  $V_{CC}$ UVLO threshold, the internal control circuitry and reference block operate. Once  $V_{IN}$ ,  $V_{CC}$ , and EN are enabled, the MPQ2484 begins switching. Internal SS is implemented to prevent the converter's output voltage and current from overshooting during start-up. Once  $V_{\text{ICS}_{+}}$  exceeds its UVLO threshold, the Pchannel MOSFET is used as a dimming switch.

### **VREF Output**

The MPQ2484 provides a 2.37V reference voltage (V<sub>REF</sub>) on the VREF pin. Connect a 1nF to 10nF ceramic capacitor from VREF to GND. This reference can only source up to 80µA of current. V<sub>REF</sub> can set the LSET level via a resistor divider for two-step dimming, or it can work as the pull-up source for the control pins to set a logic high input.  $V_{REF}$  is also the reference voltage for one or more internal LED shorts detection. If  $V_{REF}$  drops below its threshold, a short is triggered.

### **High-Side Current-Sense (CS) Reference Setting**

The LED current is sensed by the high-side sensing resistor connected between ICS+ and ICS-. The ICS+ pin is tied to the output of the converter in boost or buck-boost mode, and connected to the input in buck mode. The ICSpin, which is on the other side of the currentsense resistor, goes to the source of the Pchannel MOSFET. If there is no external dimming MOSFET, then ICS- is directly connected to the LED string anode (VLED+). The chip regulates the voltage across the sensing resistor to 100mV if the ISET voltage exceeds 2.2V.

The MPQ2484 features a configurable LED current reference by monitoring the voltage on the setting resistor connected between ISET and ground. This resistor can be placed on LED light board to adjust the current. To reduce the noise created by a long connection wire, it is recommended to place a small capacitor close to the ISET pin.

The biased current can also be tuned by tying a resistor from IREF ( $I_{REF}$  =  $V_{IREF}$  /  $R_{IREF}$ ) to ground. The current through the IREF resistor configures the biased current on ISET ( $I_{\text{SET}}$  = 100 x  $I_{REF}$ ). This means that changing the value of the setting resistor can adjust the LED current reference. For the relationship between  $V_{\text{ISFT}}$  and the internal reference voltage, see the Mode and Current-Sense Reference Selection section on page 43.

### **Power Converter**

Typically, the converter works in fixedfrequency, peak current control mode. At the beginning of each switching cycle, the Nchannel MOSFET turns on at the rising edge of the clock. A resistor tied from the CS pin to GND senses the N-channel MOSFET's current signal.

To prevent subharmonic oscillations when the duty cycles exceeds 50%, a stabilizing ramp is added to the N-channel MOSFET current-sense signal to generate the inductor peak current information. When the inductor peak current reaches the value set by  $V_{\text{COMP}}$  (which is the output voltage of the error amplifier), the Nchannel MOSFET turns off until the next switching clock begins. The current is also limited by the 400mV clamped voltage on the VCS pin. This sets the converter's maximum power.

### **Error Amplifier (EA)**

The MPQ2484 converter incorporates a lowoffset error amplifier (EA) to provide compensation for the control loop. The feedback signal and reference voltage provide two different modes to regulate the LED current. The feedback signal switches to the voltage on



the high-side sensing resistor between ICS+ and ICS-. The reference voltage is about 100mV, but it can be adjusted by the ISET pin.

The internal EA outputs an amplified signal to the external compensation network. This signal is the difference between  $V_{BFF}$  and the feedback voltage  $(V_{FB})$ , and it indicates  $V_{COMP}$ . V<sub>COMP</sub> is connected to the PWM comparator to control the N-channel MOSFET's peak current, which is sensed by a sensing resistor connected between the source of N-channel MOSFET and ground. During the N-channel MOSFET's turn-on time, the CS pin outputs a current ramp. The current then flows through a resistor  $(R_{CS})$  that is placed between the CS pin and the N-channel FET current-sense resistor. This current ramp configures slope compensation.

Once the CS level reaches  $V_{COMP}$ , the converter pulls down NGATE to turn off the N-channel MOSFET.

Note that the EA's transconductance is nonlinear. The EA's transconductance has a greater source ability than sink ability. Transconductance can help speed up LED regulation when PWM dimming is initiated.

### **Oscillator**

The MPQ2484's  $f_{SW}$  can be configured between 100kHz and 2.2MHz by connecting a resistor  $(R_{FSET})$  between the FSET pin and GND.  $R_{FSET}$ can be calculated with Equation (1):

$$
R_{\text{FSET}}(k\Omega) = \frac{8333}{f_{\text{SW}}(kHz)}\tag{1}
$$

For EMI-sensitive applications, the switching clock can be synchronized to an external clock signal that is applied to the SYNC pin. Once the external clock signal is added on the SYNC pin, the FSET setting no longer has any effect.

Ensure that the external clock signal frequency is at least 10% greater than the oscillator frequency set by FSET. If the external sync signal is lost, the internal oscillator controls the switching rate, and  $f_{SW}$  returns to the value set by FSET. This allows the switching clock to operate with intermittent synchronization signals.

### **Mode and Current-Sense Reference Selection**

Table 1 lists different modes that can be selected using the DMODE and ISETMD pins.

**Table 1: Mode Selection** 

	<b>DMODE</b> (High)	<b>DMODE (Low)</b>
<b>ISETMD</b>	Normal operation mode: The LED current can	Dimming switch mode: The LED current can
(High)	be configured up to 100% of its nominal value.	be configured up to 100% of its nominal value.
<b>ISETMD</b>	Normal operation mode: The LED current can	Dimming switch mode: The LED current can
(Low)	be configured up to 200% of its nominal value.	be configured up to 200% of its nominal value.

The DMODE pin selects whether the device operates in normal operation mode or dimming switch mode. If the logic is high, the dimming Pchannel MOSFET is not used. If DMODE is pulled down to GND, the dimming P-channel MOSFET is used as a dimming switch. The Pchannel MOSFET turns off during dimming, or if any fault is triggered.

The ISETMD pin sets the internal reference voltage. If ISETMD is pulled down to GND, the ISET voltage rises from 0.6V to 1.8V, and the reference voltage rises linearly from 0mV to 200mV, which can be used for analog dimming. When the ISET voltage exceeds 2.3V, the reference stays at about 100mV (see Figure 6 on page 44).





**Figure 6: ISETMD is Low**

When the ISETMD pin is logic high, and the voltage on ISET rises from 0.6V to 1.2V, the reference voltage rises linearly from 0mV to 100mV. When the ISET voltage exceeds 1.2V, the reference voltage stays at about 100mV (see Figure 7).



### **Frequency Spread Spectrum (FSS)**

To optimize EMI performance, the MPQ2484 provides a frequency spread spectrum (FSS) function. Connect a capacitor from the FSPD pin to GND. The internal source and sink currents (both 100µA) charges or discharges the capacitor repeatedly to generate a stable triangular ramp waveform between 0.6V and 1.2V. This triangular ramp voltage works with the resistor connected between the FSPD and FSET pins to generate a current. The current flowing out from the FSET pin can dither  $f_{SW}$  for frequency spread spectrum. The spread spectrum frequency  $(f_{SS})$  can be estimated with Equation (2):

$$
f_{SS} = \frac{I_{FSPD}}{2 \times C_{FSPD} \times \Delta U}
$$
 (2)

Where I<sub>FSPD</sub> is the FSPD source/sink current (100 $\mu$ A),  $C_{\text{FSPD}}$  is the capacitor between FSPD and GND, and  $\Delta U = 0.6V$  (1.2V - 0.6V).

The spread spectrum scope  $(\Delta f_{SS})$  can be calculated with Equation (3):

$$
\Delta f_{SS} = f_{SW} \times \frac{R_{FSET}}{R_{FSPD}}
$$
 (3)

Where R<sub>FSPD</sub> is the resistor between FSPD and FSET.

The f<sub>SW</sub> scope is between (f<sub>SW</sub> -  $\Delta f_{SS}$ ) and f<sub>SW</sub>. For example, if fsw =  $400$ kHz,  $C_{FSPD} = 3.3$ nF,  $R_{FSET}$  = 21kΩ, and  $R_{FSPD}$  = 200kΩ, then f<sub>SS</sub> is 20kHz and fsw is dithered from 350kHz to 400kHz.

Figure 8 shows FSS operation.



**Figure 8: Frequency Spread Spectrum** 

Figure 9 shows FSS waveforms.





The modulation frequency should be lower than the oscillator frequency set by FSET by a minimum factor of 10.

If an external clock signal applied to the SYNC pin, the FSS mechanism is screened. Remove RFSPD if FSS is disabled.



### **Two-Step Dimming**

Connect a bypass capacitor from PDIM to GND for two-step dimming mode. The two-step dimming frequency can be configured by placing a capacitor between the DFSET pin and GND. The internal source and sink currents charge and discharge the capacitor repeatedly to generate a stable triangular ramp waveform between 0.6V and 1.2V. The two-step dimming frequency  $(f_{\text{DIM}})$  can be estimated with Equation  $(4)$ :

$$
f_{\text{DIM}} = \frac{I_{\text{DFSET}}}{2 \times C_{\text{DFSET}} \times \Delta U}
$$
 (4)

Where  $I_{\text{DFSET}}$  is the source/sink current (100 $\mu$ A),  $C_{DESET}$  is the capacitor between DFSET and GND, and  $\Delta U = 0.6V$  (1.2V - 0.6V).

The two-step dimming duty  $(D_{\text{DIM}})$  can be calculated with Equation (5):

$$
D_{\text{DIM}} = \frac{V_{\text{LSET}} - 0.6}{1.2 - 0.6} \tag{5}
$$

Where  $V_{LSET}$  is the LSET pin voltage. Figure 10 shows two-step dimming.



**Figure 7: Two-Step Dimming**

If the H/L pin is pulled up to a logic high input after two-step dimming is set, then the positive input of the DIM comparator is disconnected from the LSET pin. The internal pull-up current source charges the PDIM capacitor to 2V. The DIM comparator outputs a 100% duty cycle dimming signal, and the LED current is regulated at full scale.

If the H/L pin is set to logic low, the internal pullup current turns off, and the positive input of the DIM comparator is connected to the LSET pin. The LSET level can be set between 0.6V and



**Figure 11: Dimming Signal Generation** 

The MPQ2484 can switch between full-scale LED brightness and lower levels via the H/L signal.

### **PWM Dimming**

PWM dimming can be achieved by driving the PDIM pin with a pulsating voltage source. Tie the H/L pin to VREF, and connect a 8.06kΩ resistor from the DFSET pin to GND ( $V_{DFSET}$  is always 100µA x  $8.06k\Omega = 0.806V$ ) to disable the dimming oscillator (see Figure 12).



**Figure 12: PWM Dimming** 

When the voltage on the PDIM pin exceeds 1.2V (meaning it exceeds  $V_{\text{DFSET}}$ ), the DIM comparator outputs a dimming on signal. When the PDIM voltage drops below 0.4V (below  $V_{DFSET}$ , a dimming off signal is generated. Ensure that the minimum PWM dimming on time is longer than 60µs, or the part will stop switching.



### **Analog Dimming**

Analog dimming can be achieved via the ISETMD and ISET pins, which set the internal reference voltage. When the ISETMD pin is pulled down to GND, provide a linear voltage between 0.6V and 1.8V for the ISET pin. The reference voltage rises linearly from 0mV to 200mV.

### **Dimming Performance**

The DIM comparator outputs a dimming signal to control the pulse width that modulates the output LED current. When the dimming signal is logic high, the MPQ2484 is enabled and the dimming P-channel MOSFET turns on. When the dimming signal is logic-low, the device stops switching and the dimming P-channel MOSFET turns off.

When the dimming signal is low, the internal EA's output is disconnected from both the PWM comparator and the COMP pin. The COMP level can remain constant when dimming is off.

The dimming signal also affects the switching oscillator and FSS functions. If f<sub>sw</sub> is set by the FSET pin, both the oscillator and FSS mechanisms are disabled when the dimming signal is off and the FSPD voltage is pulled down to 0.6V. When a dimming signal is received, the functions are reinitiated. This protocol can force the converter's switching clock to be synchronized by the dimming signal, which ensures each dimming cycle performs consistently (see Figure 13).





### **Over-Voltage Protection (OVP)**

The MPQ2484 monitors the voltage across the LED strings. A resistor divider is connected from ICS+ to the cathode of the LED string, and the tap of the divider is tied to the VFB pin. When the differential voltage between ICS+ and VFB exceeds 1.17V, the converter stops switching, but the dimming P-channel MOSFET maintains its original status. If an open LED fault is triggered at the same time, then the Pchannel MOSFET is disabled and the chip runs as it would during a fault condition. When the differential voltage drops below 1.02V, the overvoltage (OV) condition is removed, and the MPQ2484 restarts and resumes normal operation.

### **Over-Current Protection (OCP)**

The cycle-by-cycle current limit restricts the Nchannel MOSFET's maximum current via the current-sense resistor on the CS pin.  $V_{CS}$  is typically400mV.

### **Open LED Protection**

If the LED string is disconnected from the system, the device cannot obtain the LED current information, and the converter automatically increases the output voltage until OVP is triggered.

If the dimming P-channel MOSFET is on when an OV condition is detected, the device checks the differential voltage between ICS+ and VLED+ to avoid start-up voltage overshoot. If the differential voltage is below 50mV, then an open LED fault occurs.

If the system operates without a dimming Pchannel MOSFET when an OV condition occurs, the device checks the voltage on the LED current-sense resistor between ICS+ and ICS-. If the voltage is below 50mV, then an open LED fault occurs.

If an open LED fault occurs, the converter and dimming P-channel MOSFET turn off,  $V_{COMP}$  is pulled down to ground, and /FLT asserts. The fault recovery counter starts when the differential voltage between ICS+ and VFB drops below 1.02V. After 8192 consecutive clock cycles, the system restarts again with a soft start. During the recovery cycle, the /FLT signal stays latched. /FLT resets after 30µs without a fault.

### **LED String Anode/Cathode to Battery/Ground Short Protection**

If an LED short fault is detected, then the converter and dimming P-channel MOSFET turn off,  $V_{COMP}$  is pulled down to ground, and /FLT asserts. After 8192 consecutive clock cycles, the system restarts again with a soft start. During the recovery cycle, the /FLT signal

remains latched. /FLT resets once 30µs pass with no fault present.

### **One or More LED Short Protection**

In certain cases, only one LED may short, but it is possible for several LEDs to short. The MPQ2484 features one or more LEDs short detection to guarantee that the light source stays sufficiently illuminated. There are two conditions that trigger one or more LED short protection:

- $|V_{LEDSC1} V_{LEDSC2}|$  > 180mV for 32 consecutive clock cycles
- $|V_{LEDSC1} V_{LEDSC2}|$  > 80mV for 4096 consecutive clock cycles

If the absolute value of the differential voltage between LEDSC1 and LEDSC2 exceeds either of these thresholds for the set time, the converter and dimming P-channel MOSFET turn off,  $V_{COMP}$  is pulled to ground, and /FLT asserts. After 8192 consecutive clock cycles, the system restarts again with a soft start. During the recovery cycle, the /FLT signal remains latched. /FLT resets once 30µs pass with no fault present.

LEDSC1 and LEDSC2 sense the voltage drop of one LED or the whole LED string.  $V_{LEDSC1}$  can be estimated with Equation (6):

$$
V_{LEDSC1} = V_{LED+} - \frac{1}{K} V_{LED} \times \frac{R_{SD3}}{R_{SD3} + R_{SD4}}
$$
 (6)

Where the K is the LED number of the LED string, and  $V_{LED}$  is the whole LED string voltage drop.

 $V_{LEDSC2}$  can be calculated with Equation (7):

$$
V_{LEDSC2} = V_{LED+} - V_{LED} \times \frac{R_{SD1}}{R_{SD1} + R_{SD2}} \tag{7}
$$

It is recommended to set  $R3:R4 = 1:1$ . It is required to set  $R1:R2 = 1:(2K - 1)$ .



### **Figure 11: One or More LED Short Protection**

For applications with 8 LEDs (such as in Figure 15 and Figure 16 on page 52), set  $R_{SD2}$  = 100kΩ,  $R_{SD1} = 6.65kΩ$ , and  $R_{SD3} = R_{SD4} =$ 6.65kΩ.

For applications with 12 LEDs (such as in Figure 17 and Figure 18 on page 53), set  $R_{SD2}$ = 100kΩ,  $R_{SD1}$  = 4.32kΩ, and  $R_{SD3}$  =  $R_{SD4}$  = 4.32kΩ.

### **Thermal Protection**

Thermal shutdown is implemented to prevent the chip from operating at exceedingly high temperatures and possibly being damaged. If the silicon die temperature exceeds 170°C, over-temperature protection (OTP) shuts down the chip and /FLT asserts. When the temperature returns to below the lower threshold (about 150°C), the chip restarts and resumes normal operation. During the recovery cycle, the /FLT signal remains latched. /FLT resets once 30µs pass with no fault present.

The ISET pin can be used as an NTC pin by connecting an NTC resistor between ICS+ and ISET. When the voltage on the NTC resistor rises from 0.6V to 1.8V, the reference voltage rises from its minimum value to 200mV. Then the LED current is dimmed according to the value of the NTC resistor.

### **Fault Flag (/FLT)**

The /FLT pin is an active-low, open-drain output that should be connected to a voltage source through an external pull-up resistor for fault indication. For normal operation, the /FLT pin is pulled high to indicate that there is no fault. The /FLT pin is pulled high before soft start begins. If there is a fault, /FLT is pulled down to ground.

If the fault is removed after soft start ends during a recovery cycle, the /FLT pin resets once the converter operates normally (without a fault) for 30µs consecutively.





### **Table 2: UVLO, OCP, and OVP (No /FLT Assertion)**

### **Table 3: OLP, SCP, and OTP (with Dimming P-Channel MOSFET)**



### **Table 4: OLP, SCP, and OTP (without Dimming P-Channel MOSFET)**



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### **Setting the LED Current**

The external resistor between ICS+ and ICSsets the output LED current. When  $V_{\text{ISET}} > 2.2V$ , the reference voltage on ICS+ and ICS- is always 100mV.  $V_{ISET}$  can be adjust by changing the values of RIREF and RISET. VISET can be estimated with Equation (8):

$$
V_{\text{ISET}} = 100 \times \frac{0.805 \times R_{\text{ISET}}}{R_{\text{IREF}}}
$$
 (8)

Where  $R_{IREF}$  is the resistor connect to the IREF pin, and  $R_{ISET}$  is the resistor connected to the ISET pin.

When the reference voltages on ICS+ and ICSare 100mV, it is recommended for  $R_{IREF} = R_{ISET}$  $= 80.6$ kΩ. R<sub>SENSE</sub> is the resistor between ICS+ and ICS-. R<sub>SENSE</sub> can be calculated with Equation (9):

$$
R_{\text{SENSE}} = \frac{0.1V}{I_{\text{LED}}}
$$
 (9)

Consider the power consumption when selecting the packages of the LED currentsense resistor. For example, if the required LED current is 1A, the resistor should have a 1206 package.

The reference voltages on ICS+ and ICS- can be adjusted via ISETMD and  $V_{\text{ISFT}}$ . See the Mode and Current-Sense Reference Selection section on page 43 for more details.

### **Selecting the Inductor**

For most applications, use a 4.7µH to 100µH inductor with a DC current rating greater than the maximum inductor current. Consider the inductor's DC resistance when estimating the inductor's output current and power consumption.

For buck converter designs, estimate the required inductance (L) with Equation (10):

$$
L = \frac{V_{OUT} \times (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{V_{IN} \times \Delta I_L \times f_{SW}}
$$
 (10)

Where  $f_{SW}$  is the switching frequency, and  $\Delta I_L$  is the inductor current ripple.

Choose the inductor ripple current to be 30% of the maximum load current. The maximum

inductor peak current  $(I_L_{PEAK})$  can be calculated with Equation (11):

$$
I_{L\_PEAK} = I_{L\_AVG} + \frac{\Delta I_L}{2}
$$
 (11)

Where  $I_L$  avg is the average current through the inductor.

 $I_{L \text{AVG}}$  is equal to the output load current (LED current) for buck applications. For buck-boost converter designs, estimate the required inductance (L) with Equation (12):

$$
L = \frac{V_{\text{OUT}} \times V_{\text{IN}}}{(V_{\text{OUT}} + V_{\text{IN}}) \times \Delta I_{L} \times f_{\text{SW}}}
$$
(12)

Where  $\Delta I_L$  is the inductor peak-to-peak current ripple.

Select  $\Delta I_L$  to be about 25% of the inductor average current  $(I_{LAVG})$ .  $I_{LAVG}$  can be calculated with Equation (13):

$$
I_{L\_AVG} = I_{LED} \times (1 + \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}})
$$
 (13)

 $I_L$  <sub>PEAK</sub> can be calculated with Equation (14):

$$
I_{L\_PEAK} = I_{L\_AVG} + \frac{\Delta I_L}{2}
$$
 (14)

For boost converter designs, calculate the required inductance (L) with Equation (15):

$$
L = \frac{V_{IN} \times (V_{OUT} - V_{IN})}{V_{OUT} \times \Delta I_L \times f_{SW}}
$$
(15)

Select  $\Delta I_L$  to be around 30% of the inductor average current  $(I_L_{AVG})$ .  $I_L_{AVG}$  can be estimated with Equation (16):

$$
I_{L\_AVG} = I_{LED} \times \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}}
$$
 (16)

 $I_L$  <sub>PEAK</sub> can be calculated with Equation (17):

$$
I_{L\_PEAK} = I_{L\_AVG} + \frac{\Delta I_L}{2} \tag{17}
$$

Under light-load conditions below 200mA, use a larger-value inductor to improve efficiency.

### **Selecting the Input Capacitor**

The input current in buck mode and buck-boost mode is discontinuous, and requires a capacitor to supply AC current to the converter while

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maintaining the DC input voltage. For the best performance, use low-ESR capacitors. Ceramic capacitors with X7R dielectrics are highly recommended because of their low ESR and small temperature coefficients.

For most applications, use a 10µF to 44µF capacitor. The input capacitor can be electrolytic, tantalum, or ceramic. When using electrolytic or tantalum capacitors, it is recommended to use another, lower-value capacitor (e.g.  $0.1\mu$ F) with a small package size (e.g. 0603) to absorb high-frequency switching noise. Place the smaller capacitor as close as possible to VIN and GND (INGND  $=$  PGND in buck mode. In buck-boost mode, connect the capacitor to VIN, INGND, and PGND).

Because  $C_{IN}$  absorbs the input switching current in buck mode, the MPQ2484 requires an adequate ripple current rating. The RMS current in the input capacitor  $(I_{\text{CIN}})$  can be estimated with Equation (18):

$$
I_{\text{CIN}} = I_{\text{LED}} \times \sqrt{\frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{V_{\text{IN}}} \times (1 - \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{V_{\text{IN}}}})
$$
(18)

The worst-case condition occurs at  $V_{IN} = 2 x$  $V<sub>OUT</sub>$ , calculated with Equation (19):

$$
I_{\text{CIN}} = \frac{I_{\text{LED}}}{2} \tag{19}
$$

For simplification, choose an input capacitor with an RMS current rating greater than half of the maximum load current. The input voltage ripple  $(\Delta V_{\text{IN}})$  caused by the capacitance can be estimated with Equation (20):

$$
\Delta V_{IN} = \frac{I_{LED}}{f_{SW} \times C_{IN}} \times \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \times (1 - \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}})
$$
 (20)

If  $\Delta I_L \geq$  the  $I_{LED}$  in buck-boost mode, then the input voltage ripple  $(\Delta V_{\text{IN}})$  can be calculated with Equation (21):

$$
\Delta V_{IN} = \frac{I_{LED} \times V_{OUT}}{(V_{IN} + V_{OUT}) \times f_{SW} \times C_{IN}}
$$
(21)

If  $\Delta I_L \geq$  the  $I_{LED}$  in boost mode, then the input voltage ripple  $(\Delta V_{\text{IN}})$  caused by the capacitance can be estimated with Equation (22):

$$
\Delta V_{IN} = \frac{V_{IN}}{8 \times f_{SW}^2 \times L \times C_{IN}} \times (1 - \frac{V_{IN}}{V_{OUT}})
$$
 (22)

### **Selecting the Output Capacitor**

The output capacitor maintains the DC output voltage. Ceramic, tantalum, or low-ESR electrolytic capacitors are recommended. For the best results, use low-ESR capacitors to maintain a low output voltage ripple.

In buck mode, the output voltage ripple  $(\Delta V_{\text{OUT}})$ can be estimated with Equation (23):

$$
\Delta V_{\text{OUT}} = \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{f_{\text{SW}} \times L} \times (1 - \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{V_{\text{N}}}) \times (R_{\text{ESR}} + \frac{1}{8 \times f_{\text{sw}} \times C_{\text{OUT}}}) \tag{23}
$$

Where L is the inductance, and  $R_{FSR}$  is the equivalent series resistance (ESR) of the output capacitor.

For ceramic capacitors, the capacitance dominates the impedance at the switching frequency and causes the majority of the output voltage ripple. For simplification, the output voltage ripple  $(\Delta V_{\text{OUT}})$  can be estimated with Equation (24):

$$
\Delta V_{\text{OUT}} = \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{8 \times f_{\text{SW}}^2 \times L \times C_{\text{OUT}}} \times (1 - \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{V_{\text{IN}}})
$$
 (24)

For tantalum or electrolytic capacitors, the ESR dominates the impedance at the switching frequency. For simplification,  $\Delta V_{\text{OUT}}$  can be calculated with Equation (25):

$$
\Delta V_{\text{OUT}} = \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{f_{\text{SW}} \times L} \times (1 - \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{V_{\text{IN}}}) \times R_{\text{ESR}} \tag{25}
$$

If  $\Delta I_L \geq I_{LED}$  for buck-boost applications,  $\Delta V_{OUT}$ can be estimated with Equation (26):

$$
\Delta V_{\text{OUT}} = I_{\text{LED}} \times (R_{\text{ESR}} + \frac{V_{\text{OUT}}}{f_{\text{sw}} \times C_{\text{OUT}} \times (V_{\text{IN}} + V_{\text{OUT}})}) \tag{26}
$$

For tantalum or electrolytic capacitors, the ESR dominates the impedance at the switching frequency. For simplification,  $\Delta V_{\text{OUT}}$  can be calculated with Equation (27):

$$
\Delta V_{\text{OUT}} = I_{\text{LED}} \times R_{\text{ESR}} \tag{27}
$$

If  $I_{BANDVALLEY} \geq$  the  $I_{LED}$  in boost applications, the output capacitor can be estimated using Equation (28):

$$
\Delta V_{\text{OUT}} = I_{\text{LED}} \times (R_{\text{ESR}} + \frac{V_{\text{OUT}} - V_{\text{IN}}}{f_{\text{sw}} \times C_{\text{OUT}} \times V_{\text{OUT}}}) \tag{28}
$$

For tantalum or electrolytic capacitors, the ESR dominates the impedance at the switching

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frequency. For simplification,  $\Delta V_{\text{OUT}}$  can be calculated with Equation (29):

$$
\Delta V_{\text{OUT}} = I_{\text{LED}} \times R_{\text{ESR}} \tag{29}
$$

### **Selecting the N-Channel MOSFET**

The MOSFET gate driver is sourced from VCC. The maximum gate charge is limited by the 50mA  $V_{CC}$  sourcing current limit. A leadless package is recommended for designs with a high  $f_{SW}$ . The MOSFET gate capacitance should be small enough that the gate voltage is fully discharged during the off time.

During start-up (especially when the  $V_{IN}$  range is below the  $V_{\text{CC}}$  regulation target),  $V_{\text{CC}}$  must be sufficient to fully turn on the MOSFET. If the MOSFET's drive voltage is below its gate plateau voltage during start-up, the boost converter may not start up normally, and the converter may not operate at the maximum duty cycle in a high power dissipation state. To avoid this, select an N-channel MOSFET with a lower threshold and set the  $V_{IN}$  on threshold above 5V.

### **Selecting the Diode**

It is recommended to use a Schottky diode for D1 due to its low forward voltage drop and small reverse recovery charge. A low reverse leakage current is critical when selecting the Schottky diode. The diode must be rated to handle the maximum output voltage, as well as any switching node ringing. The diode must also be able to handle the average output current.

### **Selecting the Dimming P-Channel MOSFET**

The P-channel MOSFET is typically used for dimming to improve dimming performance. In boost mode and buck-boost mode, the Pchannel MOSFET can also provide protection for  $LED+$  to battery shorts, as well as  $LED+$  to PGND shorts.

When dimming is off, the voltage on the Pchannel MOSFET is equal to the LED voltage. Select the P-channel MOSFET V<sub>DS</sub> to exceed the LED voltage, and ensure that the continuous drain current exceeds the LED current with a lower  $R_{DS(ON)}$ .

### **Over-Current Protection (OCP) Setting**

Place a resistor in series with the N-channel MOSFET to sense the inductor current and set the current limit.

To ensure that there is a sufficient LED current, the current-limit threshold must be set via the current-sense resistor  $(R_{CS})$  on the CS pin.  $I_L$  PEAK LIMIT can be estimated with Equation (30):

$$
I_{L\_PEAK\_LIMIT}(A) = \frac{400(mV)}{R_{cs}(m\Omega)}\tag{30}
$$

The  $I_L$  PEAK LIMIT value is typically set to 120% to 130% of  $I_L$  peak.

For the applications shown in Figure 15, Figure 16, Figure 17, and Figure 18 on pages 52 and 53, It is recommended follow the guidelines below:

- Place three current-sense resistors (70m $\Omega$ , 70mΩ, and 70mΩ) with 2512 packages in parallel with one another to limit IL PEAK LIMIT to 17A.
- Use R9 to provide slope compensation.
- Use C4 to filter out the switching noise on the CS pin.

### **Over-Voltage Protection (OVP) Setting**

The resistor divider network (R10 and R11) connected to ICS+, VFB, and the cathode of the LED string monitors the output voltage (see Figure 15 on page 52).

The resistor divider network can determine whether there is an open fault on an LED string. If the voltage between ICS+ and VFB exceeds 1.17V, then the converter stops switching and does not recover until the voltage drops below 1.02V.

Set the over-voltage protection (OVP) threshold to be 10% to 30% greater than the maximum output voltage (LED string voltage). The OVP threshold  $(V_{OVP})$  can be calculated with Equation (31):

$$
V_{\text{OVP}} = \frac{R10 + R11}{R10} \times 1.17
$$
 (31)

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# **PCB Layout Guidelines**

Efficient PCB layout is critical for stable operation. A four-layer layout is strongly recommended to improve thermal performance. For the best results, follow the guidelines below:

- 1. Use large copper areas to minimize conduction loss and thermal stress, and ensure that all heat-dissipating components have adequate cooling.
- 2. Isolate the power components and highcurrent paths from the sensitive analog circuitry, such as CS.
- 3. Keep the high-current paths short, especially at the ground terminals. This is recommended for stable, jitter-free operation.
- 4. Keep the switching loops short.
- 5. Connect the anode of D1 close to the drain of the MOSFET (M1).
- 6. Connect the cathode of D1 close to the output capacitor  $(C_{\text{OUT}})$ .
- 7. Connect  $C_{\text{OUT}}$  and the current-sense resistors (R1A, R1B, and R1C) directly to PGND.
- 8. Route high-speed switching nodes away from the sensitive analog areas.
- 9. Use an internal PCB layer for the GND plane. This layers acts as an EMI shield to keep radiated noise away from the device.



# **TYPICAL APPLICATION CIRCUITS**



**Figure 15: Typical Application Circuit for Buck-Boost Topology (Two-Step Dimming)**



**Figure 16: Typical Application Circuit for Buck-Boost Topology (PWM Dimming)**





**Figure 17: Typical Application Circuit for Boost Topology (Two-Step Dimming)**



**Figure 18: Typical Application Circuit for Boost Topology (PWM Dimming)**



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