

User's Manual: Evaluation Board

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Evaluation Board

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1. Overview

The ISL68300 is a PMBus compliant, single-phase digital DC/DC controller with integrated gate drivers for use with N-channel MOSFETs. The ISL68300 implements the Renesas fully digital ChargeMode™ control modulation scheme, allowing both ease of use and industry leading performance. ChargeMode control provides an inherently stable control loop that can respond to load transients in a single switching cycle, significantly decreasing output capacitor requirements.

A dedicated current share bus allows for paralleling up to eight devices in a current share configuration, allowing support for a wide range of load currents.

The ISL68300EVAL2Z evaluation board is a 2.7inx3.0in 6-layer FR4 board with 2oz. copper on all layers. This evaluation board comes with a placeholder for pin-strap resistors to adjust output voltage, switching frequency, and the device PMBus address. More configurations, such as soft-start and fault limits, can be easily programmed or changed using a PMBus compliant serial bus interface.

This evaluation board includes the ZLUSBEVAL3Z (USB to PMBus adapter), which connects the evaluation board to a PC to activate the PMBus communication interface. The PMBus command set is accessed by using the PowerNavigatorTM evaluation software from a PC running Microsoft Windows.

1.1 Key Features

- \bullet V_{IN} range of 4.5V to 16V, V_{OUT} adjustable from 2.5V to 5.5V
- Programmable V_{OUT}, margining, UV/OV, I_{OUT} limit, soft-start/stop, sequencing, and external synchronization
- Monitor: V_{IN}, V_{OUT}, I_{OUT}, temperature, duty cycle, switching frequency, and faults
- ChargeMode control tunable with PMBus
- · On-board load step circuit
- Mechanical switch for enable and power-good LED indicator

1.2 Specifications

This board is configured for the following operating conditions by default:

- $V_{IN} = 7V$ to 16V
- $V_{OUT} = 3.3V$
- $I_{MAX} = 20A$
- $f_{SW} = 500 \text{kHz}$
- Peak efficiency: >94% at 50% load
- On/off delay = 5ms, on/off ramp time = 5ms

1.3 Ordering Information

| Part Number | Description |
|----------------|--|
| ISL68300EVAL2Z | ISL68300 board (EVB, ZLUSBEVAL3Z Adapter, USB Cable) |

1.4 Related Literature

For a full list of related documents, visit our website

• ISL68300 product page



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1.5 Recommended Equipment

- DC power supply with minimum 15V/25A sourcing capacity
- Electronic load capable of sinking current up to 33A
- Digital Multimeters (DMMs)
- Oscilloscope with higher than 100MHz bandwidth

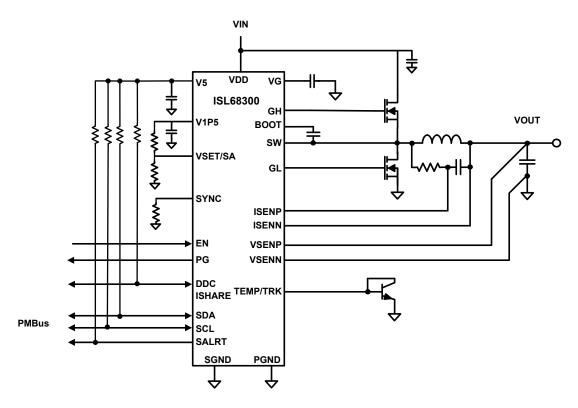


Figure 1. ISL68300EVAL2Z Block Diagram

2. Functional Description

The ISL68300EVAL2Z provides all circuitry required to evaluate the features of the ISL68300. A majority of the features of the ISL68300, such as compensation-free ChargeMode control, soft-start delay and ramp times, supply sequencing, and voltage margining are available on this evaluation board. For sequencing evaluation, the board can be connected to any Renesas digital module evaluation board that supports the Digital-DCTM (DDC) bus.

Figures 2 and 3 show the ISL68300EVAL2Z evaluation board.

2.1 Operating Range

By default, the ISL68300EVAL2Z is configured to operate at V_{OUT} = 3.3V, f_{SW} = 500kHz, and V_{IN} ranges from 7V to 16V. The board can also support a wider operating range to meet the requirements of specific applications. The V_{OUT} can be adjusted from 2.5V to 5.5V and the switching frequency can also be tuned.

If using external synchronization, connect the SYNC test point to the external clock. Note that the external clock signal should be valid before the ISL68300 is enabled.

2.2 PMBus Operation

The ISL68300 uses the PMBus protocol. The PMBus functionality can be controlled using the ZLUSBEVAL3Z dongle from a PC running the PowerNavigator evaluation software.

Install the PowerNavigator from the Renesas website.

For board operation, connect the included ZLUSBEVAL3Z dongle to the 6-pin male connector, J3, labeled "DONGLE". Connect the desired load and an appropriate power supply to the input and connect the included USB cable to the PC running PowerNavigator. Set the ENABLE switch, SW2, to "OFF" before turning on the power.

PowerNavigator allows modification of all ISL68300 PMBus parameters. The ISL68300 device on the board has been preconfigured as described in this document, but the user can modify the operating parameters through the evaluation software or by loading a predefined set-up from a configuration file. A sample "Configuration File" on page 18 is provided and can be copied to a text editor to make desired changes.

The ENABLE switch, SW3, can then be moved to "ON" and the ISL68300EVAL2Z board can be tested. Alternately, the PMBus ON OFF CONFIG and OPERATION commands can be used from PowerNavigator.

2.3 Quick Start Guide

2.3.1 Pin-Strap Option

The ISL68300EVAL2Z can be configured in Pin-Strap mode with standard 1% 0402 resistors. The PMBus interface is not required to evaluate ISL68300 in Pin-Strap mode. Output voltage (V_{OUT}), switching frequency (f_{SW}), and the device PMBus address can be adjusted by changing the pin-strape resistors at the VSET/SA and SYNC pins. By default, the evaluation board is programmed to regulate at $V_{OUT} = 3.3V$, $f_{SW} = 500$ kHz, and PMBus address = 61h. Complete the following steps to evaluate the ISL68300 in Pin-Strap mode:

- (1) Set the ENABLE switch to "OFF".
- (2) Connect a load to the VOUT lug connectors.
- (3) Connect a power supply to the VIN connectors. Make sure the power supply is not enabled when making the connection.
- (4) Turn the power supply on.
- (5) Set the ENABLE switch to "ON".
- (6) To change V_{OUT}, disconnect the board from the setup and populate with 1% standard 0402 resistors at R₃ and R₅. Refer to the "Output Voltage and SMBus Address Selection" table in the <u>ISL68300</u> datasheet for recommended values. By default, VOUT MAX is set to 115% of V_{OUT} by the pin-strap resistor.
- (7) To change the switching frequency, disconnect the board from the setup and populate with a 1% standard 0402 resistor at R₃₅. Refer to the "Switching Frequency" table in the <u>ISL68300</u> datasheet for recommended values.

2.3.2 PMBus Option

The ISL68300EVAL2Z can be evaluated for all features using the provided ZLUSBEVAL3Z dongle and PowerNavigator. Complete the following steps to evaluate ISL68300 with the PMBus option.

- (1) Install PowerNavigator.
- (2) Set the ENABLE switch to "OFF".
- (3) Connect the load to the VOUT lug connectors.
- (4) Connect the power supply to the VIN connectors. Make sure the power supply is not enabled when making the connection.
- (5) Turn the power supply on.
- (6) Connect the ZLUSBEVAL3Z dongle (USB to PMBus adapter) to the ISL68300EVAL2Z board using the 6-pin male connector, J3, labeled "DONGLE".
- (7) Connect the supplied USB cable from the computer through the USB to the ZLUSBEVAL3Z dongle.
- (8) Launch PowerNavigator.
- (9) Set the ENABLE switch to "ON".
- (10) Monitor and configure the ISL68300EVAL2Z board using the PMBus commands in PowerNavigator. PowerNavigator tutorial videos are available on the Renesas <u>website</u>.

To sequence using the Digital-DC Bus (DDC), or to evaluate multiple Renesas digital power products using a single ZLUSBEVAL3Z dongle, the ISL68300EVAL2Z can be daisy chained with other digital power evaluation boards. The PMBus address can be changed by placing 1% standard 0402 resistors at R_3 and R_5 . Refer to the "Output Voltage and SMBus Address Selection" table in the ISL68300 datasheet for recommended values.

3. PCB Layout Guidelines

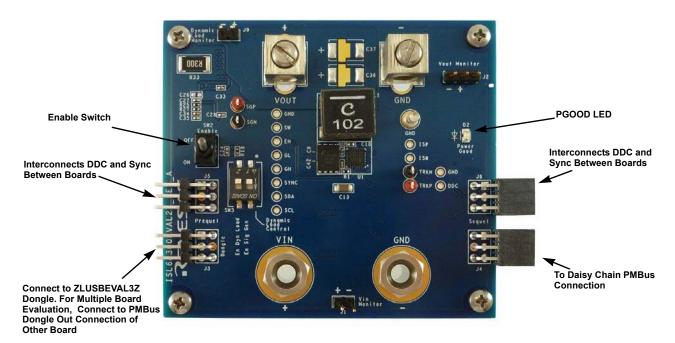


Figure 2. ISL68300EVAL2Z Evaluation Board (Top Side)

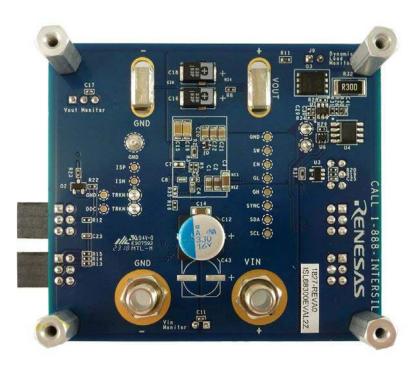


Figure 3. ISL68300EVAL2Z Evaluation Board (Bottom Side)

3.1 ISL68300EVAL2Z Board Schematic

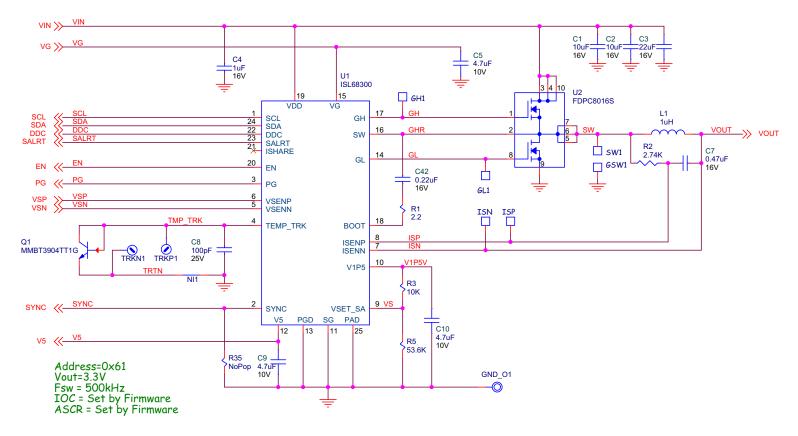
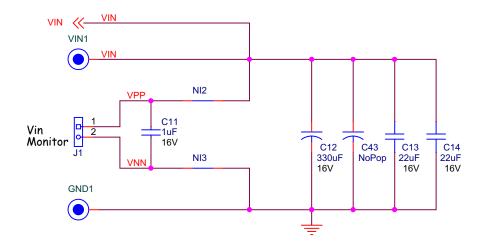


Figure 4. Schematic



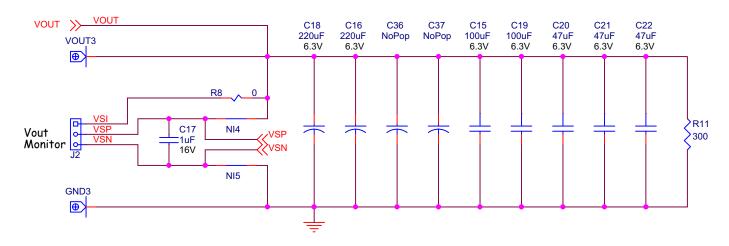
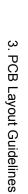


Figure 5. Schematic - Input and Output Filters





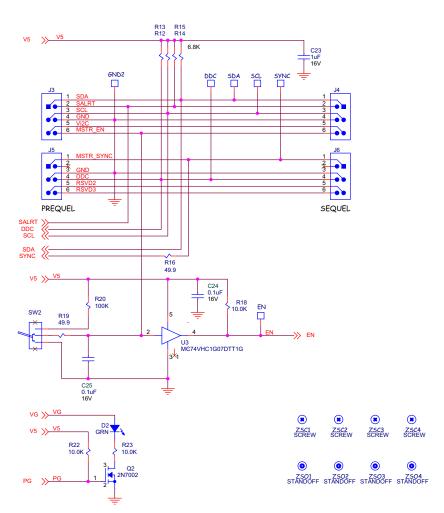


Figure 6. Schematic - I²C, Enable, PG

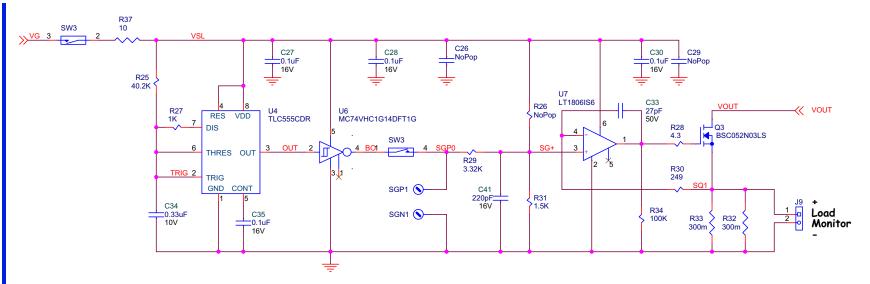


Figure 7. Schematic - Dynamic Load

3.2 Bill of Materials

| Qty | Reference Designator | Description | Manufacturer | Manufacturer Part |
|-----|---------------------------------|---|------------------------|---------------------|
| 2 | C1, C2 | CAP, SMD, 0805, 10µF, 16V, 10%, X6S, ROHS | TDK | C2012X6S1C106K085AC |
| 2 | C15, C19 | CAP, SMD, 1206, 150µF, 6.3V, 20%, X5R, ROHS | Murata | GRM31CR60J157ME11L |
| 1 | C40 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 1000pF, 50V, 5%, C0G, ROHS | Venkel | C0402C0G500-102JNE |
| 6 | C24, C25, C27, C28, C30, C35 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 0.1µF, 16V, 10%, X7R, ROHS | Venkel | C0402X7R160-104KNE |
| 4 | C4, C11, C17, C23 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 1.0μF, 16V, 10%, X5R, ROHS | TDK | C1005X5R1C105K050BC |
| 1 | C41 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 220pF, 50V, 5%, C0G, ROHS | Panasonic | ECU-E1H221JCQ |
| 1 | C42 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 0.22µF, 10V, 10%, X5R, ROHS | Venkel | C0402X5R100-224KNE |
| 1 | C33 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 27pF, 50V, 5%, NP0, ROHS | Murata | GRM36COG270J050AQ |
| 1 | C34 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 0.33µF, 6.3V, 10%, X5R, ROHS | Murata | GRM155R60J334KE01J |
| 1 | C8 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 100pF, 25V, 5%, NP0, ROHS | AVX | 04023A101FAT2A |
| 1 | C7 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 0.47µF, 6.3V, 10%, X7R, ROHS | Taiyo Yuden | JMK105B7474KVHF |
| 3 | C5, C9, C10 | CAP, SMD, 0402, 4.7µF, 10V, 10%, X5R, ROHS | TDK | C1005X5R1A475K050BC |
| 3 | C20, C21, C22 | CAP, SMD, 0805, 47µF, 6.3V, 20%, X5R, ROHS | Kemet | C0805C476M9PACTU |
| 3 | C3, C13, C14 | CAP, SMD, 1206, 22µF, 25V, 10%, X5R, ROHS | Murata | GRM31CR61E226KE15L |
| 1 | C12 | CAP, SMD, 10X12, 330μF, 16V, 20%, 14mΩ, ALUM.ELEC., ROHS | Nippon Chemi-Con | APXA160ARA331MJC0G |
| 2 | C16, C18 | CAP, SMD, D, 220µF, 6.3V, 20%, POLY.AL.EL., ROHS | Panasonic | 6TPF220M5L |
| 1 | L1 | COIL-PWR INDUCTOR, SMD, 1µH, ROHS | Coilcraft | XAL1010-102MEB |
| 1 | D2 | LED, SMD, 0805, GREEN/CLEAR, 2.2V, 20mA, 574nm, 45mcd, ROHS | Lumex | SML-LX0805SUGC-TR |
| 1 | U1 | IC-DIGITAL DC/DC CONTROLLER, 24P, QFN, ROHS | Renesas | ISL68300IRAZ |
| 1 | U2 | TRANSISTOR-MOS, DUAL N-CHNL, 8P, WDFN, 25V, 20A/35A, ROHS | On Semiconductor | FDPC8016S |
| 1 | U7 | IC-OP AMP, R/R, SMD, 6P, TSOT23, 325MHz, 85mA, ROHS | Linear Technology | LT1806IS6#TRMPBF |
| 1 | U3 | IC-NON-INVERTING BUFFER, SMD, 5P, TSOT23-5, ROHS | On Semiconductor | MC74VHC1G07DTT1G |
| 1 | U6 | IC-INVERTER, SCHMITT TRIGGER, SMD, 5P, SC-70-5, ROHS | On Semiconductor | MC74VHC1G14DFT1G |
| 1 | U4 | IC-TIMER/OSCILLATOR, 2.1MHz, SMD, 8P, SOIC, ROHS | Texas Instruments | TLC555CDR |
| 1 | Q1 | TRANSISTOR-NPN, SMD, SOT-416, 200mA, 40V, 300mW, ROHS | On Semiconductor | MMBT3904TT1G |
| 1 | Q2 | TRANSISTOR, N-CHANNEL, 3LD, SOT-23, 60V, 115mA, ROHS | Diodes, Inc. | 2N7002-7-F |
| 1 | Q3 | TRANSIST-MOS, N-CHANNEL, 30V, 57A, SMD, 8P, PG-TDSON-8, ROHS | Infineon Technology | BSC052N03LS |
| 2 | R32, R33 | RES-AEC-Q200, CURR.SENSE, SMD, 2512, 0.3Ω , 2W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Bourns | CRM2512-FX-R300ELF |
| 1 | R28 | RES, SMD, 0402, 4.3Ω, 1/16W, 5%, TF, ROHS | Vishay/Dale | CRCW04024R30FKED |
| 1 | R8 | RES, SMD, 0402, 0Ω, 1/16W, 5%, TF, ROHS | Venkel | CR0402-16W-00T |

| Qty | Reference Designator | Description | Manufacturer | Manufacturer Part |
|-----|---------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | R2 | RES, SMD, 0603, 2.74kΩ, 1/10W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Venkel | CR0603-10W-2741FT |
| 4 | R3, R18, R22, R23 | RES, SMD, 0402, 10k, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Panasonic | ERJ-2RKF1002X |
| 2 | R20, R34 | RES, SMD, 0402, 100k, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Panasonic | ERJ2RKF1003 |
| 1 | R31 | RES, SMD, 0402, 1.5kΩ, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Panasonic | ERJ-2RKF1501X |
| 1 | R1 | RES, SMD, 0402, 2.2Ω, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Yageo | RC0402FR-072R2L |
| 1 | R27 | RES, SMD, 0402, 1k, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Venkel | CR0402-16W-1001FT |
| 1 | R30 | RES, SMD, 0402, 249Ω, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Panasonic | ERJ-2RKF2490 |
| 1 | R29 | RES, SMD, 0402, 3.32k, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Yageo | RC0402FR-073K32L |
| 1 | R25 | RES, SMD, 0402, 40.2k, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Venkel | CR0402-16W-4022FT |
| 1 | R5 | RES, SMD, 0402, 53.6k, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Panasonic | ERJ-2RKF5362X |
| 2 | R16, R19 | RES, SMD, 0402, 49.9Ω, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Panasonic | ERJ-2RKF49R9X |
| 4 | R12, R13, R14, R15 | RES, SMD, 0402, 6.8k, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Panasonic | ERJ-2RKF6801X |
| 1 | R37 | RES, SMD, 0603, 10Ω, 1/10W, 1%, TF, ROHS | KOA | RK73H1JT10R0F |
| 1 | R11 | RES, SMD, 0603, 300Ω, 1/10W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Rohm | MCR03EZPFX3000 |
| 2 | R16, R19 | RES, SMD, 0402, 49.9Ω, 1/16W, 1%, TF, ROHS | Panasonic | ERJ-2RKF49R9X |
| 1 | SW2 | SWITCH-TOGGLE, SPDT, TH, 5P, 28V, 0.4VA, ON-ON, ROHS | NKK | G12AP |
| 1 | SW3 | SWITCH-SLIDE, SMD, 7.06mm, 2POS, SPST, 25mA, 24V, ROHS | C&K Components | SDA02H1SBD |
| 2 | GND3, VOUT3 | HARDWARE, 65A PCB WIRE LUG, TH/SMD, 8.5x3.5, 6-14AWG, ROHS | International Hydraulics Inc | B6A-PCB-SS |
| 2 | VIN1, GND1 | CONN-JACK, BANANA-SS-SDRLESS, VERTICAL, 0.53Length, ROHS | Johnson Components | 108-0740-001 |
| 1 | GND_O | CONN-DBL TURRET, TH, 0.218x0.078 PCB MNT, TIN/BRASS, ROHS | Keystone | 1502-1 |
| 2 | TRKP, SGP | CONN-MINI TEST PT, VERTICAL, RED, ROHS | Keystone | 5000 |
| 2 | TRKN, SGN | CONN-MINI TEST PT, VERTICAL, BLK, ROHS | Keystone | 5001 |
| 2 | J1, J9 | CONN-HEADER, 1x2, RETENTIVE, 2.54mm, 0.230x0.120, ROHS | BERG/FCI | 69190-202HLF |
| 1 | J2 | CONN-HEADER, 1x3, BRKAWY 1x36, 2.54mm, TAIL LENGTH.145" | 3M | 929647-09-36-I-1X3 |
| 2 | J4, J6 | CONN-SOCKET STRIP, TH, 2x3, 2.54mm, TIN, R/A, ROHS | Samtec | SSQ-103-02-T-D-RA |
| 2 | J3, J5 | CONN-HEADER, 2x3, BRKAWY, 2.54mm, TIN, R/A, ROHS | Samtec | TSW-103-08-T-D-RA |
| 4 | ZSC1, ZSC2, ZSC3, ZSC4 | SCREW, 4-40x1/4in, PHILLIPS, PANHEAD, STAINLESS, ROHS | Building Fasteners | PMSSS 440 0025 PH |
| 4 | ZSO1, ZSO2, ZSO3, ZSO4 | STANDOFF, 4-40x3/4in, F/F, HEX, ALUMINUM, 0.25 OD, ROHS | Keystone | 2204 |
| 0 | C26, C29, C43 | DO NOT POPULATE | | |
| 0 | R26, R35 | DO NOT POPULATE | | |

3.3 ISL68300EVAL2Z Board Layout

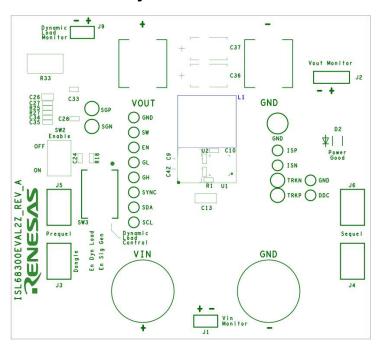


Figure 8. PCB - Top Silk Screen

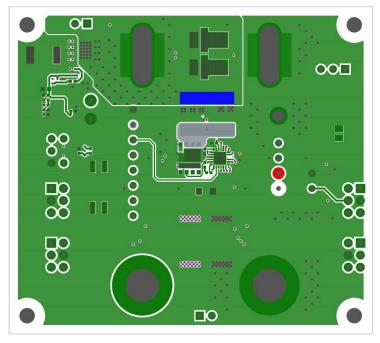


Figure 9. PCB - Top Layer

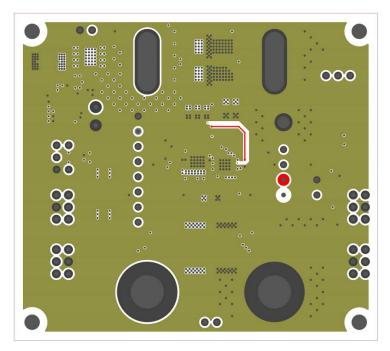


Figure 10. PCB - Inner Layer - Layer 2 (Top View)

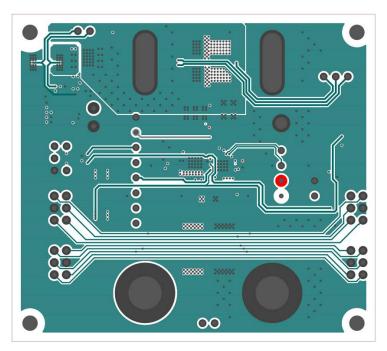


Figure 11. PCB - Inner Layer - Layer 3 (Top View)

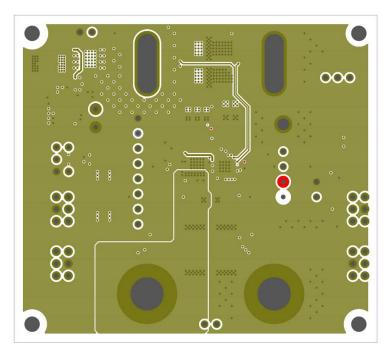


Figure 12. PCB - Inner Layer - Layer 4 (Top View)

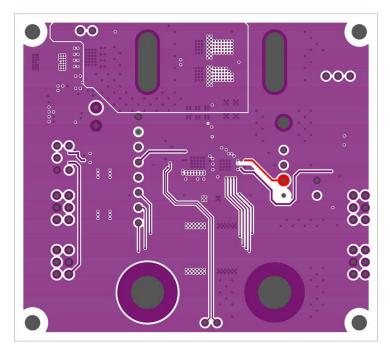


Figure 13. PCB - Inner Layer - Layer 5 (Top View)

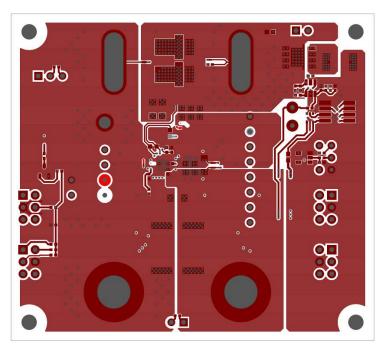


Figure 14. PCB - Bottom Layer (Top View)

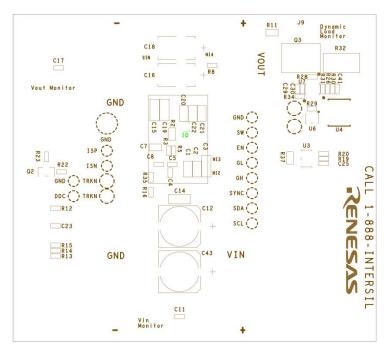


Figure 15. PCB - Bottom Silk Screen

4. Typical Performance Curves

Unless noted: V_{IN} = 12V, T_A = +25°C

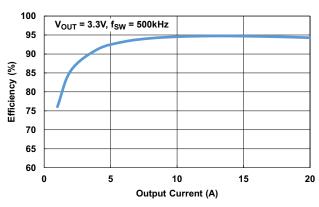


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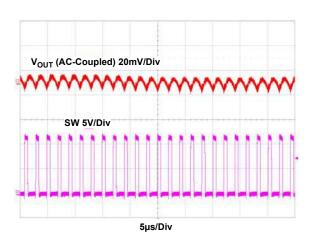


Figure 17. Output Ripple at Full Load

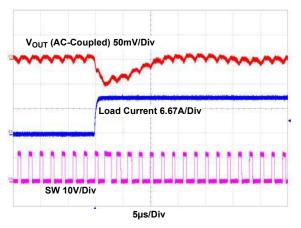


Figure 18. Load Transient Waveforms

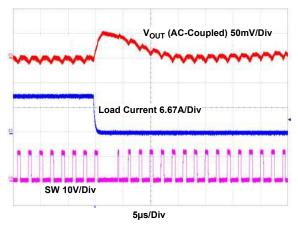


Figure 19. Load Transient Waveforms

ISL68300EVAL2Z 5. Configuration File

Configuration File 5.

Sample configuration file for the ISL68300. Copy and paste (from STORE CONTROL to ### End User Store) to a text editor and save it as Confile file name.txt. The # symbol is used for a comment line.

STORE_CONTROL 0x21 STORE CONTROL 0x11 STORE CONTROL 0x12 # -----Start of User Settings-----

ON OFF CONFIG 0x17

VOUT COMMAND 0x699A # 3.3 V

#5 V **VOUT MAX** 0xA000

VOUT MARGIN HIGH 0x6EDC # 3.464 V **VOUT MARGIN LOW** 0x6451 # 3.135 V FREQUENCY_SWITCH 0xFBE8 # 500 kHz

POWER MODE 0x00

IOUT_CAL_GAIN 0xBA3D # 1.119 mV/A # 3.63 V

VOUT_OV_FAULT_LIMIT 0x7425

VOUT OV FAULT RESPONSE 0x80

VOUT OV WARN LIMIT 0x7208 # 3.563 V VOUT UV WARN LIMIT # 2.904 V 0x5CEA VOUT UV FAULT LIMIT 0x59BF # 2.805 V

VOUT UV FAULT RESPONSE 0x80

0x80 OT_FAULT_RESPONSE 0x80 UT_FAULT_RESPONSE VIN OV FAULT RESPONSE 0x80VIN_UV_FAULT_RESPONSE 0x80

POWER_GOOD_ON 0x5F08 # 2.97 V

ISENSE CONFIG 0x2902 0x0040 USER CONFIG ASCR_ADVANCED 0x20FF

INDUCTOR 0xBA00 # 1 µH

ASCR_CONFIG 0x3B5903E8

TRACK_CONFIG 0x00

MFR IOUT OC FAULT RESPONSE 0x80MFR_IOUT_UC_FAULT_RESPONSE 0x80

-----End of User Settings-----

-----Store Setup - Do Not Modify-----

0x13

STORE_CONTROL

End User Store

6. Revision History ISL68300EVAL2Z

Revision History 6.

| Rev. | Date | Description |
|------|--------------|--|
| 1.00 | Jul 13, 2018 | Updated board pictures. Updated Figure 5 and BOM (C43 information). Updated sample configuration file. |
| 0.00 | Jul 3, 2018 | Initial release |

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