

FEB167-002 User Guide  
FAN2106  
TinyBuck™ Integrated Synchronous Buck  
Evaluation Board

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This guide supports the evaluation kit for the [FAN2106](#) TinyBuck™ Integrated Synchronous Buck. This guide should be used in conjunction with the FAN2106 datasheet, located at Fairchild's website ([www.fairchildsemi.com](#)).

## 1. Overview

This board provides 1.8V<sub>OUT</sub> and 0-6A from 8-20V<sub>IN</sub> at a 500KHz switching rate using low-cost ceramic output capacitors.

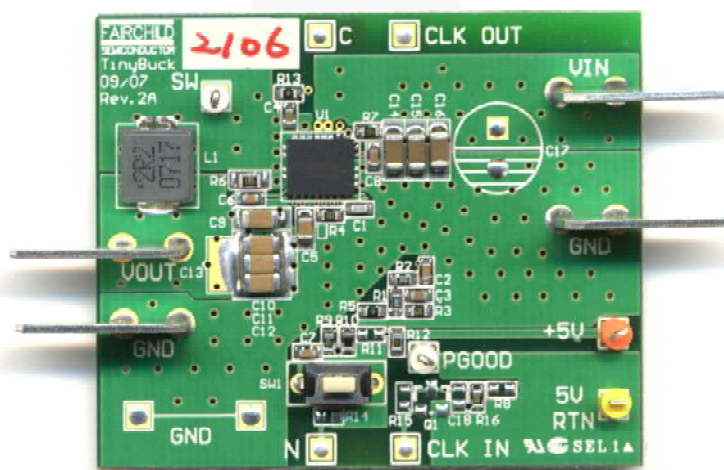


Figure 1. Evaluation Board and Required Connections

## 2. Board Configuration

- Output Voltage: 1.8V
- Output Current: 0-6A
- Input Voltage: 8-20V
- Frequency: 500KHz

## 3. Power-Up Sequence

1. Establish connections to test equipment as shown in the schematic in Figure 2. Use suitable diameter wires and connectors to avoid excessive voltage drop or temperature rise.

**Do not turn on power supplies until all the connections are complete.**

2. Verify voltage sources have current limits adequately set to supply the load.
3. Apply V<sub>IN</sub> before V<sub>CC</sub> to avoid skipping the soft-start cycle.
4. Apply the desired load current.

*This can be done at any time, including before power-up, but it is recommended to power-up the first time with 0A load to verify proper connections.*

To power down, turn off the V<sub>CC</sub> (5V) supply first.

## 4. Board Features

Facility to make a ground strap is provided near the lower-left corner of the evaluation board to facilitate oscilloscope probe connections.

### 4.1. Switching Waveform

Connect an oscilloscope probe to test point marked SW to view the switching waveform. Since the MOSFETs are integrated, gate/drive waveforms cannot be viewed.

### 4.2. Enable / Inhibit

The momentary push-button switch S1 establishes a connection from EN to GND, inhibiting the FAN2106 when switching ceases and only standby current flows at  $V_{IN}$  and  $V_{CC}$ .

A new soft-start cycle commences upon release of S1.

### 4.3. Current Limit

The current limit threshold can be set lower by reducing R9. This feature is useful in applications where  $<6A$  is required, allowing the designer to select passive external components with lower current ratings.

With R9 open, the FAN2106 enforces a maximum default current limit in excess of 6A.

### 4.4. Auto-Restart

The board is configured for auto-restart with a delay (C7) that increases linearly with C7.

Refer to the datasheet for auto-restart or latch-off options.

### 4.5. Switching Frequency

Switching frequency is set by R10 ( $R_T$ ). Frequency may be lowered to 200KHz or raised to  $>600KHz$ .

Large changes in frequency may warrant additional component value changes for the output filter and compensation network.

### 4.6. Output Voltage

The output voltage is determined by the ratio of R1 and R4. For minor output voltage changes, adjust R4.

Larger  $V_{OUT}$  changes may impact output filter and compensation network component value selection.

### 4.7. Feedback Loop Response

R5 opens the feedback loop for closed-loop response measurement. Remove R5 and connect a network analyzer or injection transformer in its place.

## 5. Schematics

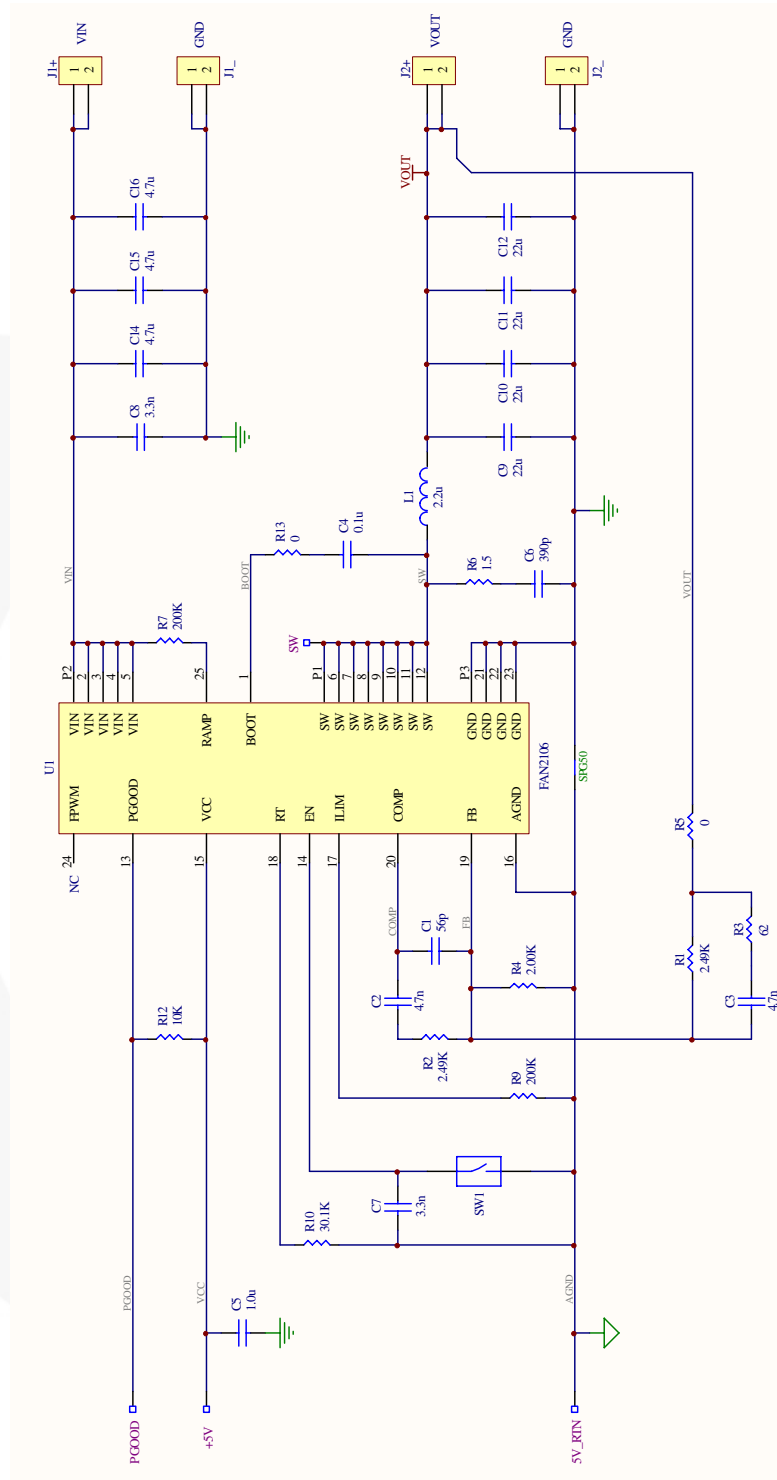


Figure 2. FAN2106 Evaluation Board Schematic

## 6. Bill of Materials

Reference Designator	QTY	Description	Manufacturer / Number
U1	1	IC, FAN2106, MLP5x6	Fairchild FAN2106M
L1	1	2.2μH, 8A, 10.4mΩ	Inter-Technical SC72332-2R2M
R1, 2	2	2.49K, 1%, 0603	Generic
R3	1	62Ω, 5%, 0603	Generic
R4	1	2.00K, 1%, 0603	Generic
R5, 13	3	0Ω, 5%, 0603	Generic
R6	1	1.5Ω, 5%, 0805	Generic
R7, 9	2	200kΩ, 1%, 0603	Generic
R10	1	30.1kΩ, 1%, 0603	Generic
R12	1	10kΩ, 5%, 0603	Generic
C1	1	56pf, 50V, 5%, NPO, 0603	Generic
C2, 3	2	4.7nf, 50V, 10%, X7R, 0603	Generic
C7, 8	2	3.3nf, 50V, 10%, X7R, 0603	Generic
C4	1	0.1μf, 16V, 10%, X7R, 0603	Generic
C5	1	1.0μf, 10V, 10%, X5R, 0805	Generic
C6	1	390pf, 50V, 5%, X7R, 0603	Generic
C9, 10, 11, 12	4	22μf, 6.3V, 20%, X5R, 1206	Generic
C14, 15, 16	3	4.7μf, 25V, 20%, X5R, 1206	Generic
C18	5	No Load 0603	
R8, R11, R14, R15, R16, R17			
C13			
C17			
C19			
Q1	1	No Load SOT23	

## 7. Assembly Diagram

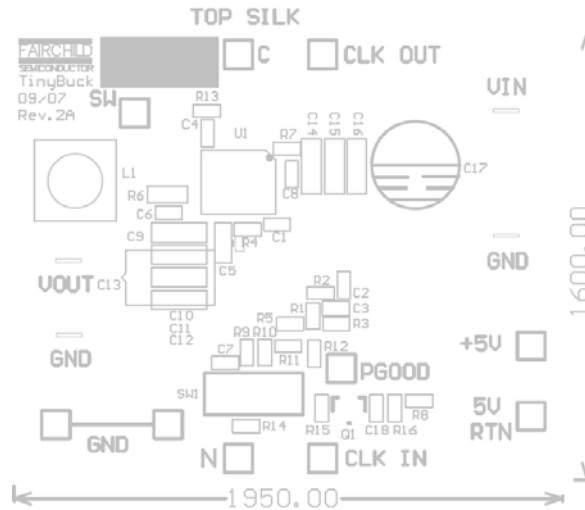


Figure 3. Assembly Diagram

## 8. PCB Layout

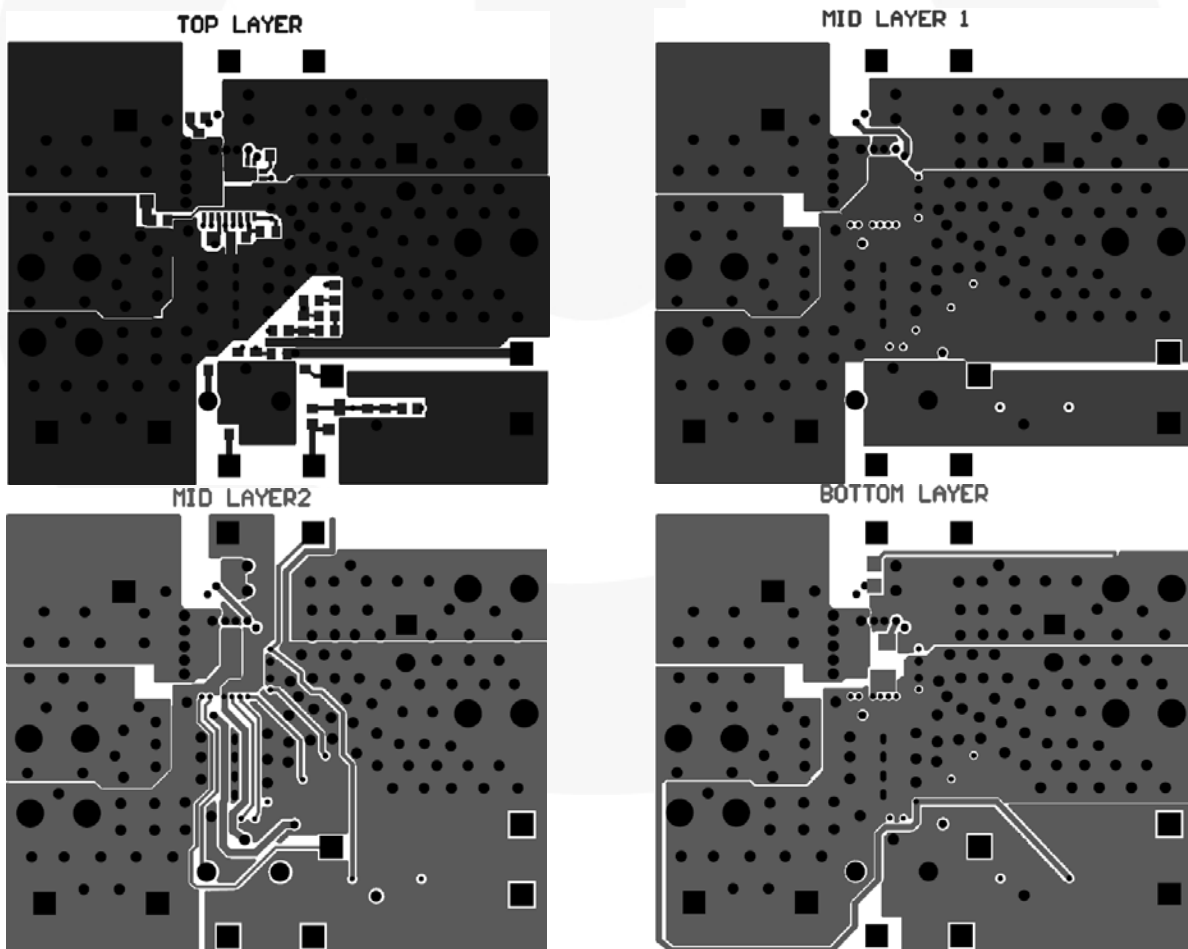







Figure 4. PCB Layout

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