

**■ GENERAL DESCRIPTION** 

frequency foldback at short circuit.

400kHz switching frequency.

2A Step Down DC/DC Converter

The LSP3170 is a current-mode step-down DC/DC

converter that generates up to 2A of output current at

Consuming only 40µA in shutdown mode, the

LSP3170 is highly efficient with peak operating

efficiency at 95%. Protection features include

cycle-by-cycle current limit, thermal shutdown, and

The LSP3170 is available in a SOP8L package and

requires very few external devices for operation.

#### **■ FEATURES**

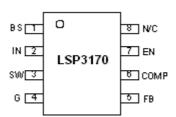
- 2A Output Current
- Up to 95% Efficiency
- 4.6V to 24V Input Range
- 40µA Shutdown Supply Current
- 400kHz Switching Frequency
- Adjustable Output Voltage
- Cycle-by-Cycle Current Limit Protection
- Thermal Shutdown Protection
- Frequency Foldback at Short Circuit
- Stability with Wide Range of Capacitors, Including Low ESR Ceramic Capacitors
- SOP8L Package

#### TYPICAL APPLICATION

- **TFT LCD Monitors**
- Portable DVDs
- Car-Powered or Battery-Powered Equipments
- Set-Top Boxes
- Telecom Power Supplies
- DSL and Cable Modems and Routers
- **Termination Supplies**

## **■ PIN ASSIGNMENT**

(Top View)



#### **■ PIN DESCRIPTION**

Name	No.	Description			
BS	1	Bootstrap. This pin acts as the positive rail for the high-side switch's gate driver.			
ВЗ		Connect a 0.1uF capacitor between BS and SW.			
IN	2	Input Supply. Bypass this pin to G with a low ESR capacitor. See Input Capacitor			
IIN		in the Application Information section.			
SW	3	Switch Output. Connect this pin to the switching end of the inductor.			
G	4	Ground.			
FB	5	Feedback Input. The voltage at this pin is regulated to 1.222V. Connect to the			
ГВ		resistor divider between output and ground to set output voltage.			
COMP	6	Compensation Pin. See Stability Compensation in the Application Information			
COMP		section.			
		Enable Input. When higher than 2.5V, this pin turns the IC on. When lower than			
EN	7	2.0V, this pin turns the IC off. Output voltage is discharged when the IC is off.			
		When left unconnected, EN is pulled high internally.			
N/C	8	Not Connected.			



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#### **ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS**

Parameter	Value	Unit
IN Supply Voltage	-0.3 to 28	V
SW Voltage	-1 to V <sub>IN</sub> + 1	V
BS Voltage	$V_{SW} - 0.3 \text{ to } V_{SW} + 8$	V
EN, FB, COMP Voltage	-0.3 to 7	V
Continuous SW Current	Internally limited	Α
Junction to Ambient Thermal Resistance ( $\theta_{JA}$ ) (Test on Approximately 3 in <sup>2</sup> Copper Area 1OZ copper FR4 board)	70	°C/W
Junction to Ambient Case Resistance $(\theta_{JC})$	20	°C/W
Maximum Power Dissipation	0.76	W
Operating Junction Temperature	-40 to 150	°C
Storage Temperature	-55 to 150	°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec)	300	°C

(Note: Exceeding these limits may damage the device. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for long periods may affect device reliability.)

#### **ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

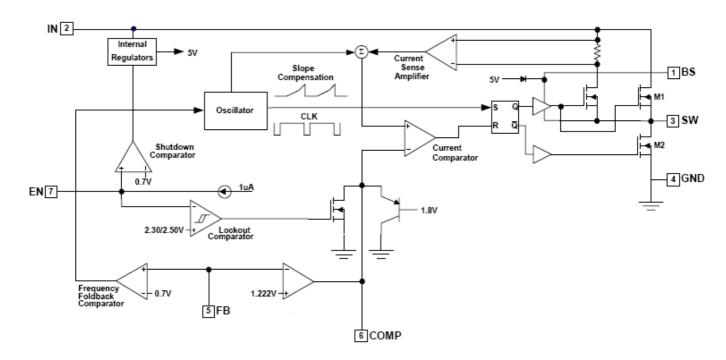
(V<sub>IN</sub> = 12V, TA= 25°C unless otherwise specified.)

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Unit
Input Operating Voltage	$V_{IN}$	$V_{OUT} = 1.2V$ , $I_{LOAD} = 0A$ to 2A	4.6		24	V
Input Holdup Voltage		$V_{OUT}$ = 1.2V, $I_{LOAD}$ = 0A to 2A		4.5		V
Feedback Voltage	$V_{FB}$	$4.6V \le V_{IN} \le 24V, V_{COMP} = 1.5V$	1.185	1.222	1.258	V
SW Leakage		V <sub>EN</sub> = 0		0	10	μA
Current Limit	I <sub>LIMT</sub>			2.6		Α
COMP to Current Limit Transconductance	G <sub>COMP</sub>			2.5		A/V
Error Amplifier Transconductance	$G_{EA}$	$\Delta I_{COMP} = \pm 10 \mu A$		850		μA/V
Error Amplifier DC Gain	A <sub>VEA</sub>			350		V/V
Switching Frequency	f <sub>SW</sub>		350	400	470	kHz
Short Circuit Switching Frequency		V <sub>FB</sub> = 0		50		kHz
Maximum Duty Cycle	D <sub>MAX</sub>	V <sub>FB</sub> = 1.1V			95	%
Minimum Duty Cycle		V <sub>FB</sub> = 1.4V			0	%
V COMP Pin Maximum Switching Threshold		Duty cycle = 0%		0.35		V
Minimum Boost Voltage Above Switch		Isw = 2A		1.8	2.7	V
Enable Threshold Voltage		Hysteresis = 0.1V	2.0		2.5	V
Enable Pull Up Current		Pin pulled up to 4.5V typically when left unconnected		2		μΑ
Supply Current in Shutdown		V <sub>EN</sub> = 0		15	40	μA
IC Supply Current in Operation		V <sub>EN</sub> = 3V, V <sub>FB</sub> = 1.4V		1.5		mA
IN Under Voltage Lockout	UVLO			3.9		V
Thermal Shutdown Temperature		Hysteresis = 10°C		160		°C



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#### **FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM**



#### **FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION**

As seen in the above Figure, Functional Block Diagram, the LSP3170 is a current mode pulse width modulation (PWM) converter. The converter operates as follows:

The LSP3170 is a current mode buck converter regulator.LSP3170 has an internal fixed-frequency clock. It uses two feedback loops that control the duty cycle of the internal power switch. The error amplifier functions like that of the voltage mode converter. The output of the error amplifier works as a switch current reference. This technique effectively removes one of the double poles in the voltage mode system. With this, it is much simpler to compensate a current mode converter to have better performance. The current sense amplifier in the LSP3170 monitors the switch current during each cycle. Overcurrent protection (OCP) is triggered when the current limit exceeds the upper limit of 2.6A, detected by a voltage on COMP greater than about 2V. When an OCP fault is detected, the switch is turned off and the external COMP capacitor is quickly discharged using an internal npn transistor. Once the COMP voltage has fallen below 250mV, an internal timer prevents any operation for 50µs, after which the part enters a normal startup cycle. In the case of sustained over current or dead-short, the part will continually cycle through the retry sequence as described above, at a rate dependent on the value of Ccomp.

The COMP voltage is the integration of the error between FB input and the internal 1.222V reference. If FB is lower than the reference voltage, COMP tends to go higher to increase current to the output. Current limit happens when COMP reaches its maximum clamp value of 2.55V.

#### **Shutdown control**

The LSP3170 has an enable input EN for turning the IC on or off. When EN is less than 2.0V, the IC is in 15µA low current shutdown mode and output is discharged through the Low-Side Power Switch. When EN is higher than 2.5V, the IC is in normal operation mode. EN is internally pulled up with a 2µA current source and can be left unconnected for always-on operation. Note that EN is a low voltage input with a maximum voltage of 7V; it should never be directly connected to IN.

#### **Thermal Shutdown**

The LSP3170 automatically turns off when its junction temperature exceeds 160°C.



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#### APPLICATION INFORMATION

**Output Voltage Setting** 

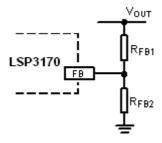


Figure 1. Output Voltage Setting

Figure 1 shows the connections for setting the output voltage. Select the proper ratio of the two feedback resistors RFB1 and RFB2 based on the output voltage. Typically, use RFB2 ≈ 10kΩ and determine RFB1 from the following

$$R_{FB1} = R_{FB2} \left( \frac{V_{OUT}}{1.222V} - 1 \right)$$
 (1)

#### Inductor Selection

The inductor maintains a continuous current to the output load. This inductor current has a ripple that is dependent on the inductance value: higher inductance reduces the peak-to-peak ripple current. The trade off for high inductance value is the increase in inductor core size and series resistance, and the reduction in current handling capability. In general, select an inductance value L based on the ripple current requirement:

capability. In general, select and
$$L = \frac{V_{OUT} \cdot (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})}{V_{IN} f_{SW} I_{OUTMAX} K_{RIPPLE}}$$
(2)

where  $V_{IN}$  is the input voltage,  $V_{OUT}$  is the output voltage,  $f_{SW}$  is the switching frequency,  $I_{OUTMAX}$  is the maximum output current, and K<sub>RIPPLE</sub> is the ripple factor. Typically, choose K<sub>RIPPLE</sub> = 30% to correspond to the peak-to-peak ripple current being 30% of the maximum output current.

With this inductor value, the peak inductor current is I<sub>OUT</sub> • (1 + K<sub>RIPPLE</sub> / 2). Make sure that this peak inductor current is less that the 3A current limit. Finally, select the inductor core size so that it does not saturate at 3A. Typical inductor values for various output voltages are shown in Table 1.

$V_{OUT}$	1.5V	1.8V	2.5V	3.3V	5V
L	6.8µH	6.8µH	10µH	15µH	22µH

Table 1. Typical Inductor Values

#### **Input Capacitor**

The input capacitor needs to be carefully selected to maintain sufficiently low ripple at the supply input of the converter. A low ESR capacitor is highly recommended. Since large current flows in and out of this capacitor during switching, its ESR also affects efficiency.

The input capacitance needs to be higher than 10µF. The best choice is the ceramic type; however, low ESR tantalum or electrolytic types may also be used provided that the RMS ripple current rating is higher than 50% of the output current. The input capacitor should be placed close to the IN and G pins of the IC, with the shortest traces possible. In the case of tantalum or electrolytic types, they can be further away if a small parallel 0.1µF ceramic capacitor is placed right next to the IC.

#### **Output Capacitor**

The output capacitor also needs to have low ESR to keep low output voltage ripple. The output ripple voltage is:

$$V_{RIPPLE} = I_{OUTMAX} K_{RIPPLE} R_{ESR} + \frac{V_{IN}}{28 \cdot f_{SW}^2 LC_{OUT}}$$
(3)

where I<sub>OUTMAX</sub> is the maximum output current, K<sub>RIPPLE</sub> is the ripple factor, R<sub>ESR</sub> is the ESR of the output capacitor, f<sub>SW</sub>



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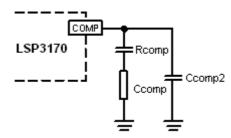
is the switching frequency, L is the inductor value, and C<sub>OUT</sub> is the output capacitance. In the case of ceramic output capacitors, R<sub>ESR</sub> is very small and does not contribute to the ripple. Therefore, a lower capacitance value can be used for ceramic capacitors. In the case of tantalum or electrolytic capacitors, the ripple is dominated by R<sub>ESR</sub> multiplied by the ripple current. In that case, the output capacitor is chosen to have sufficiently low ESR.

For ceramic output capacitors, typically choose a capacitance of about 22µF. For tantalum or electrolytic capacitors, choose a capacitor with less than  $50m\Omega$  ESR.

#### **Rectifier Diode**

Use a Schottky diode as the rectifier to conduct current when the High-Side Power Switch is off. The Schottky diode must have a current rating higher than the maximum output current and a reverse voltage rating higher than the maximum input voltage.

#### **Stability Compensation**



 $C_{\text{COMP2}}$  is needed only for high ESR output capacitor Figure 2. Stability Compensation

The feedback loop of the IC is stabilized by the components at the COMP pin, as shown in Figure 2. The DC loop gain of the system is determined by the following equation:

$$A_{VDC} = \frac{1.222}{I_{OUT}} V_{A_{VEA}} G_{COMP}$$
 (4)

The dominant pole P1 is due to C<sub>COMP</sub>:

$$f_{P1} = \frac{G_{EA}}{2\pi A_{VEA} C_{COMP}}$$
 (5)

The second pole P2 is the output pole:

$$f_{P2} = \frac{I_{OUT}}{2\pi V_{OUT} C_{OUT}} \tag{6}$$

The first zero Z1 is due to  $R_{\text{COMP}}$  and  $C_{\text{COMP}}$ :

$$f_{Z1} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_{COMP} C_{COMP}}$$
 (7)

And finally, the third pole is due to  $R_{COMP}$  and  $C_{COMP2}$  (if  $C_{COMP2}$  is used):

$$f_{P3} = \frac{1}{2\pi R_{COMP} C_{COMP2}}$$
 (8

The following steps should be used to compensate the IC:

STEP1. Set the crossover frequency at 1/10 of the switching frequency via RCOMP:

$$R_{COMP} = \frac{2\pi V_{OUT} C_{OUT} f_{SW}}{10G_{EA}G_{COMP} \bullet 1.222V_{(9)}}$$

but limit RCOMP to 10kΩ maximum.

STEP2. Set the zero fZ1 at 1/4 of the crossover frequency. If RCOMP is less than  $10k\Omega$ , the equation for CCOMP is:

$$C_{COMP} = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{-5}}{R_{COMP}} \qquad (F)$$
 (10)

If RCOMP is limited to  $10k\Omega$ , then the actual crossover frequency is 10/ (VOUTCOUT). Therefore:

$$C_{COMP} = 1.2 \times 10^{-5} V_{OUT} C_{OUT}$$
 (F)

STEP3. If the output capacitor's ESR is high enough to cause a zero at lower than 4 times the crossover frequency,

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an additional compensation capacitor CCOMP2 is required. The condition for using CCOMP2 is:

$$R_{ESRCOUT} \ge Min \left( \frac{1.1 \times 10^{-6}}{C_{OUT}}, 0.012 \bullet V_{OUT} \right) \qquad (\Omega)$$
(12)

And the proper value for C<sub>COMP2</sub> is:

$$C_{COMP2} = \frac{C_{OUT}R_{ESRCOUT}}{R_{COMP}} \tag{13}$$

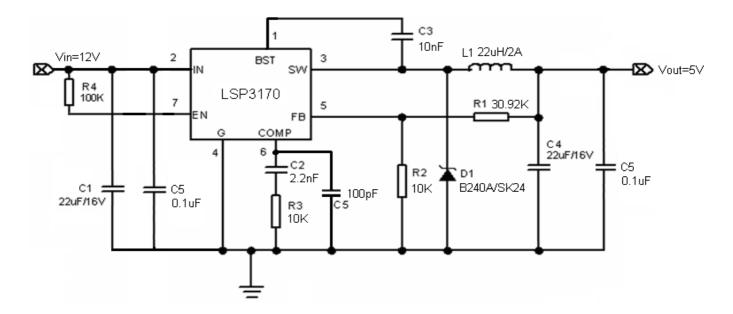
Though  $C_{COMP2}$  is unnecessary when the output capacitor has sufficiently low ESR, a small value  $C_{COMP2}$  such as 100pF may improve stability against PCB layout parasitic effects.

Table 2 shows some calculated results based on the compensation method above.

VOUT	COUT	RCOMP	CCOMP	CCOMP2
1.2V	22µF Ceramic	4.7kΩ	10nF	None
2.5V	22µF Ceramic	7.5kΩ	2.2nF	None
3.3V	22µF Ceramic	10kΩ	1.5nF	None
5V	22µF Ceramic	10kΩ	2.2nF	None
1.2V	47μF SP Cap	7.5kΩ	4.7nF	None
2.5V	47μF SP Cap	10kΩ	10nF	None
3.3V	47μF SP Cap	10kΩ	15nF	None
5V	47μF SP Cap	10kΩ	22nF	None
1.2V	470μF/6.3V/30mΩ	10kΩ	4.7nF	None
2.5V	470μF/6.3V/30mΩ	10kΩ	39nF	None
3.3V	470μF/6.3V/30mΩ	10kΩ	47nF	None
5V	470μF/10V/30mΩ	10kΩ	56nF	None

Table 2. Typical Compensation for Different Output Voltages and Output Capacitors

Figure 3 shows a sample LSP3170 application circuit generating 5V/2A output.





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Figure 3. LSP3170 5V/2A Output Application

Figure 4 shows a sample LSP3170 application circuit generating 1.2V/2A output.

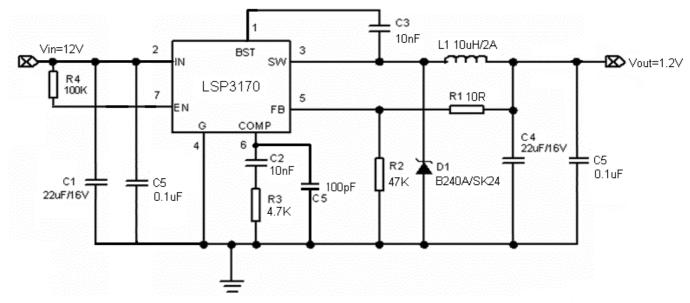
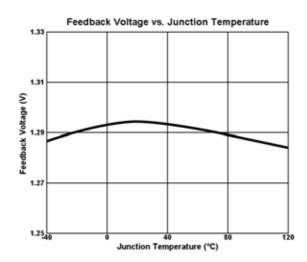
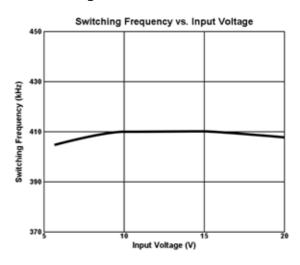


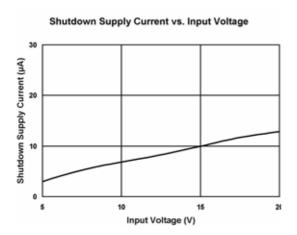
Figure 4. LSP3170 1.2V/2A Output Application

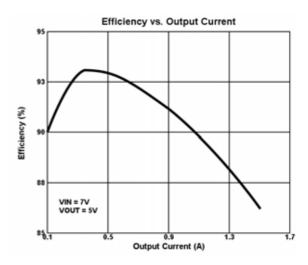


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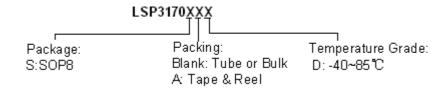








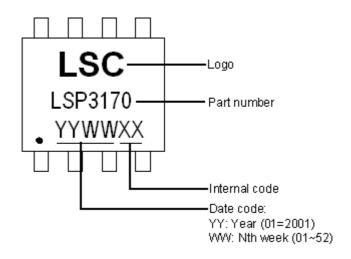
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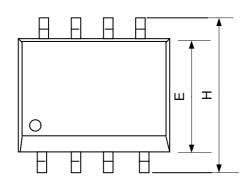
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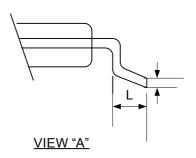


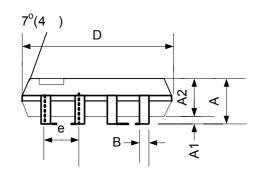
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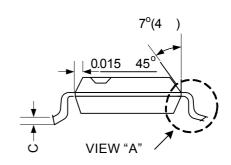


#### **PACKAGE INFORMATION**











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	Min.	Nom.	Max.	Min.	Nom.	Max.
Α	1.35	1.60	1.75	0.053	0.063	0.069
A1	0.10		0.25	0004		0.010
A2	1.35	1.45	1.55	0.053	0.057	0.061
В	0.33	0.41	0.51	0.013	0.016	0.020
С	0.19	0.20	0.25	0.0075	0.008	0.010
D	4.80	4.90	5.00	0.192	0.196	0.200
E	3.80	3.90	4.00	0.148	0.154	0.160
е		1.27TYP.		0.050	TYP.	
Н	5.80	5.99	6.30	0.228	0.236	0.248
L	0.38	0.71	1.27	0.015	0.028	0.050
θ	0°		8°	0°		8°