

100V Synchronous Buck DC/DC Controller

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2 APPLICATIONS

- POL modules
- High-Power Density DC DC
- Datacom, Telecom
- Non-isolated PoE and IP cameras

3 FEATURES

- Wide Input Voltage 6V-100V
- Adjustable output from 0.8V to 60V
- 40ns ton(min) for low duty ratio
- 190ns toff(min) for high duty ratio
- Precision ±1% Feedback Reference
- Adjustable F_{SW} from 100kHz to 1MHz
- Configuration diode emulation or FPWM
- 2.5A source and 3.5A sink driver ability
- Prebias start-up
- SYNCI and SYNCO capability
- Open-Drain Power Good Indicator
- Adjustable output voltage soft start
- Input UVLO with hysteresis
- VCC and BOOT UVLO protection
- OC, OT Protection with Hiccup Mode
- QFN20L 4.5mm x 3.5mm Package with Thermal PAD



Figure 1. Typical Application Diagram



Figure 2.Efficiency at Vout=12V

4 TYPICAL APPLICATION



5 PACKAGE REFERENCE AND PIN FUNCTION



Figure 3. Pin Function (top view)

Order No.	Description	
MK9218: MK9218CQB	QFN20L, tape, 3000/reel	
MK9218: MK9218DQB	QFN20L, tape, 3000/reel	

Pin #	Name	Description
1	EN	Enable input and undervoltage lockout. The device has accurate 1.2V rising threshold and a hysteresis current to programable falling threshold for tri-state (shutdown, standby, operating) to reduce quiescent loss. This pin also can be used for programming the VIN turn on voltage with the resistor divider. $V_{EN} < 0.8V$, shutdown mode, VIN to VCC LDO shutdown; $0.8V \leq V_{EN} < 1.2V$, standby mode, VIN to VCC LDO regulated to 7.5V; $V_{EN} > 1.2V$, operating mode, start to operating;
2	RT	Oscillator frequency set. The internal oscillator is programmed with a single resistor between RT and the AGND.
3	SS/TRK	Soft-start and voltage-tracking. during start-up, Output voltage tracking SS/TRK voltage; After start-up, Output voltage tracking Ref.
4	COMP	Compensation. Low impedance output of the internal error amplifier. Connect the loop compensation network between the COMP pin and the FB pin.
5	FB	Feedback. Connection to the inverting input of the internal error amplifier. Connect this pin to the center point of the output resister divider to program the output voltage: VOUT=0.8×(1+Rf1/Rf2)
6	AGND	Analog ground. Return for the internal 0.8V voltage reference and analog circuits.



7	SYNCO	Synchronization output. Logic output that provides a clock signal that is 180° out-of-phase with the HS FET drive signal.
8	SYNCI	Synchronization input. Tri function: 1.optional external clock input 2.low-side MOSFET diode emulation mode 3.FPWM.
9	NC	No electrical connection.
10	PG	Power good indicator. This pin is an open-drain output pin. Connect to a source voltage through a pull-up resistor.
11	ILIM	Current limit set. Connect a resistor to SW to adjust current limit.
12	PGND	Power ground.
13	LO	LS MOSFET gate driver output. Connect to the gate of the low-side MOSFET through a short, low inductance path.
14	VCC	VCC. Output of the 7.5V bias regulator. Locally decouple to PGND using a low ESR/ESL capacitor located as close as possible to the controller.
15	NC	No electrical connection.
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17	BST	Boot-strap. Decouple this pin to SW pin with a 100nF ceramic capacitor located as close as possible to the controller.
18	НО	HS MOSFET gate driver output. Connect to the gate of the high-side MOSFET through a short, low inductance path.
19	SW	Switching node. Connect to the bootstrap capacitor, the source terminal of the high-side MOSFET and the drain terminal of the low-side MOSFET using short, low inductance paths.
20	VIN	Input. Decouple this pin to PGND with low ESR ceramic capacitor.
-	EP	Exposed pad. Solder the EP to the PGND pin and connect to a large copper plane to reduce thermal resistance.



6 ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS (1)

VIN, EN, SW, ILIM to GND	
SW to PGND (20ns pulse)	
VCC, SYNCI, SYNCO, PG to AGND	0.3V to 14V
FB, COMP, SS/TRK, RT to AGND	
BST to GND	
BST to VCC ······	0V to 105V
BST to SW	0.3V to 14V
VCC to BST (20ns pulse) ······	0V to 14V
LO to GND (20ns pulse)	
Package Thermal Resistance	
θ_{JA} (Junction to ambient)	TBD℃/W
θ_{JC} (Junction to case)	TBD℃/W
Operating Junction Temperature, TJ	
Storage Temperature, Tstg	
Soldering Temperature(10 second), T _{sld}	 260 ℃
Notes:	

(1) Stresses beyond the "ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS" may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in "RECOMMENED OPERATING CONDITIONS". Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

7 RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

VIN Voltage ······	5V to 100V
EN Voltage	0.3V to 100V
SW Voltage	0.3V to 100V
ILIM Voltage ······	0.3V to 100V
Ambient Temperature	40 ℃ to 125℃

8 ESD RATINGS

		Value	Units
Electrostatic discharge V _{ESD}	Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 ⁽¹⁾	TBD	V
	Charged device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101 ⁽²⁾	±2000	V

Notes:

(1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process

(2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process



9 ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

VIN=48V, V_{OUT}=12V, L=4.7 μ H, C_{OUT}=400 μ F, T_A=25 $^{\circ}$ C, unless otherwise specified

Parameter	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Test Conditions	MIN	ТҮР	MAX	UNIT
Input Voltage						
V _{IN}	Input Voltage		6		100	V
Supply Cu	rrent					
VIN	Operating voltage		6		100	V
I _{Q-SD}	Shutdown Current	V _{EN} =0V		7.7		μA
IQ-STBY	Standby Current	V _{EN} = 1V, I _{OUT} =0A,		1.5		mA
I _{Q-OPERAT}	Operating current, no switching	V _{EN} =1.5V, V _{SS/TRK} =0V		1.8		mA
VCC Regu	lator			1		
V _{vcc}	VCC regulation voltage	$V_{SS/TRK}$ =0V, 9V \leq VIN \leq 100V, 0mA \leq I _{VCC} \leq 20mA		7.5		V
V _{VCC-LDO}	VIN to VCC dropout	V _{VIN} =6V,V _{SS/TRK} =0V, I _{VCC} =20mA		0.25		V
I _{MAX-LDO}	VCC max current	V _{SS/TRK} =0V, V _{VCC} =0V		30		mA
V _{VCC-UV}	VCC undervoltage Threshold	V_{VCC} rising		4.9		V
Vvcc-uvh	VCC undervoltage hysteresis	Rising Threshold-falling Threshold		0.26		V
V _{VCC-EXT}	Minimum external bias supply voltage	> V _{VCC}	8			V
Ivcc	External VCC input	$V_{SS/TRK}=0V$, $V_{VCC}=13V$				mA
EN						
V _{EN-STBY}	EN rising to standby threshold	V _{IN} =48V, I _{OUT} =0.1A		0.8		V
V _{EN-SD}	EN falling to shutdown threshold	V _{IN} =48V, I _{OUT} =0.1A		0.65		V
V _{EN-H}	EN rising to operating threshold	V _{IN} =48V, I _{OUT} =0.1A		1.2		V
I _{EN-HYS}	Hysteresis Input Current	V _{EN} =1.5V		10		μA
Feedback	Amplifier	1	1	1	1	I
V _{REF}	Feedback reference voltage	V _{FB} =V _{COMP}		0.8		V
V _{СОМР-Н}	COMP output high voltage	VFB=0V, COMP sourcing 1 mA		4		V
V _{COMP-L}	COMP output low voltage	COMP sinking 1 mA			0.3	V
I _{FB-BIAS}	FB input bias current	V _{FB} =0.8V	-0.1		0.1	uA



SS/TRK						
I _{SS}	SS/TRK charging	V _{SS/TRK} = 0 V		10		uA
	current					
R _{ss}	Discharge FET	V _{EN} =1V, V _{SS/TRK} =0.1V		10		Ω
	resistance					
$V_{\text{SS-FB}}$	SS/TRK to FB offset			0		mV
VSS-CLAMP	SS/TRK to FB clamp	V _{SS/TRK} -V _{FB} (0.8V)		115		mV
	voltage					
PG						
PGUTH	FB upper threshold for	% of VREF, V _{FB} rising		108		%
	PG high to low					
PGLTH	FB lower threshold for	% of VREF, V _{FB} falling		92		%
	PG high to low					
PG _{HYS_U}	PG upper threshold	% of VREF		3		%
	hysteresis					
PG _{HYS_L}	PG lower threshold	% of VREF		2		%
	hysteresis					
T _{PG-RISE}	PG rising filter	FB to PG rising edge		25		us
T _{PG-FALL}	PG falling filter	FB to PG falling edge		25		us
V _{PG-L}	PG low state output	V _{FB} =0.9V, I _{PG} =2mA			150	mV
lee u	PG high state leakage				100	n۸
IPG-H	current	VFB-0.0V, VPG-13V			100	
Frequency					<u> </u>	
	Programmable	10 ⁴				
Fsw	Switching	$F_{SW}(kHz) = \frac{10}{P_{SW}(kHz)}$	100		1000	kHz
	Frequency	$K_T(K_{12})$				
SYNCI and	SYNCO					
F _{SYNCI}	SYNCI external Fsw	% of F_{SW} set by R_{RT}	-20		50	%
V _{SYNC-IH}	SYNCI input logic high		2			V
V _{SYNC-IL}	SYNCI input logic low				0.4	V
Rsynci	SYNCI input resistance	V _{SYNCI} =3V		20		kΩ
t _{synci}	SYNCI input minimum	Minimum high/low state	50			ns
	pulse width	duration				
V _{SYNCO-OH}	SYNCO input logic high	I _{SYNCO} =-1mA(sourcing)	3			V
V _{SYNCO-OL}	SYNCO input logic low	I _{SYNCO} =1mA(sink)			0.4	V
t _{SYNCI}	Delay from SYCNI	50% to 50%		150		ns
	leading edge to HO					
	rising					
t _{SYNCO}	Delay from HO rising to	$V_{SYNCI}=0, T_S=1/F_{SW},$		T _S /2-140		ns
	SYNCO leading edge	50% to 50%				
PWM CON	TROL					
t _{ON(MIN)}	Minimum on-time	HO rising to falling,		40		ns
		VBST-VSW=7V,50% to				



		50%		
	Minimum off-time	HO falling to rising,	190	ns
		VBST-VSW=7V,50% to		
		50%		
D _{100K}	Maximum duty cycle	F _{sw} =100kHz, 6V ≤ V _{VIN}	98	%
		≤60V		
D _{400K}	Maximum duty cycle	F_{SW} =400kHz, 6V \leq V _{VIN}	93	%
		≤60V		
V _{RAMP}	Minimum Ramp valley	COMP at 0% duty cycle	300	mV
K FF	Feedforward gain	$V_{IN}/V_{RAMP}, 6V \leq V_{VIN} \leq$	15	V/V
		60V		
ILIM-OCP				
I _{RS}	ILIM source current,	Low voltage detected at	100	uA
	R _{SENSE} mode	ILIM		
I _{RDS(on)-LS}	ILIM source current,	SW voltage detected at	200	uA
	R _{DS(ON)} mode	ILIM		
TC _{I-RDS(on)}	ILIM current tempco	R _{DS(on)} mode	4500	ppm/°C
TC _{I-RS}	ILIM current tempco	R _{SENSE} mode	0	ppm/°C
V _{ILIM-TH}	ILIM comparator		0	mV
	threshold at ILIM			
SCP			· · ·	
V _{CLAMP_OS}	Clamp offset voltage, no	CLAMP to COMP steady	0.2+V _{VIN} /75	V
	current limit	state offset voltage		
V _{CLAMP_MI}	Clamp offset voltage, no	CLAMP voltage with	0.3+V _{VIN} /75	V
N	current limit	continuous current		
		limiting		
HICCUP			· · ·	
CHICC-DEL	Hiccup mode activation	Clock cycle with current	512	cycles
	delay	limiting before hiccup		
		off-time activated		
CHICCUP	Hiccup mode off-time	Clock cycle with no	8192	cycles
	after activation	switching followed by		
		SS/TRK release		
DIODE EM	ULATION MODE		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
V _{ZCD-SS}	ZCD soft-start ramp	ZCD threshold	0	mV
		measured at SW pin 50		
		clock cycles after first		
		HO pulse		
V _{ZCD-DIS}	ZCD disable	ZCD threshold	200	mV
	threshold(CCM)	measured at SW pin 50		
		clock cycles after first		
		HO pulse		
V _{DEM-TH}	Diode emulation	Measured at SW with	0	mV



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	ZC threshold	V _{sw} rising			
DRIVERS					
R _{HO-UP}	HO high-state resistance	V _{BST} -V _{SW} =7V,	1.5	Ω	
	HO to BST	I _{HO} =-100mA			
R _{HO-DOWN}	HO low-state resistance	V _{BST} -V _{SW} =7V,	0.9	Ω	
	HO to SW	I _{HO} =100mA			
RLO-DOWN	LO high-state resistance	V _{BST} -V _{SW} =7V,	1.5	Ω	
	LO to VCC	I _{LO} =-100mA			
R _{LO-DOWN}	LO low-state resistance	V _{BST} -V _{SW} =7V,	0.9	Ω	
	LO to PGND	I _{HO} =100mA			
Ihoh, Hloh	HO, LO source current	V _{BST} -V _{SW} =7V, HO=SW	2.5	A	
		LO=AGND			
Ihol, Hlol	HO, LO sink current	V _{BST} -V _{SW} =7V, HO=BST	3.5	A	
		LO=VCC			
THERMAL SHUTDOWN					
T _{SD}	Thermal shutdown	T _J rising	175	°C	
	threshold				
T _{SD-HYS}	Thermal shutdown		20	°C	
	hysteresis				



10 BLOCK DIAGRAM



Figure 4. Block Diagram



11 TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS













12 APPLICATIONS

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The device has accurate 1.2V rising threshold and a hysteresis current to programable falling threshold for tri-state to reduce quiescent loss. This pin also can be used for programming the VIN turn on voltage with the resistor divider. The UVLO turn-on voltage can be calculated as:

$$V_{UVLO} = (1 + \frac{R_{EN-H}}{R_{EN-L}}) \times V_{EN-H}$$

 $V_{\text{EN-H}}$ is EN rising threshold voltage, typical is 1.2V.

The UVLO hysteresis is accomplished with an internal 10μ A current source that is switched on or off into the impedance of the set-point divider. When the voltage at the EN pin exceeds the rising threshold, the current source is activated to quickly raise the voltage at the EN pin. The hysteresis can be calculated as:

$$V_{hys}(V) = R_{EN-H} \times 10 \mu A$$

12.3 Switching Frequency (R_T, SYNCI)

When SYNCI is floating or tie to GND, the switch frequency of MK9218 is set by the frequency resistor RT. As shown below, $24.9k\Omega$ resistor sets the switching frequency at 400kHz.

$$F_{SW}(kHz) = \frac{10^4}{R_T(k\Omega)}$$

When SYNCI is connect to an external clock synchronization signal, the switching Frequency is determined by the external clock signal.

Note that the final switching frequency is affected by component tolerant.



Note that the external clock signal frequency must between $0.8 \times F_{SW}$ to $1.5 \times F_{SW}$.

12.3 Soft Start and Tracking (SS/TRK)

A capacitor from the SS/TRK pin to GND defines the SS/TRK time, T_{SS} . The MK9218 enters into soft-start immediately after EN exceeds its rising threshold of 1.2 V. Tss is set by Css as shown below:

$$T_{SS} = \frac{V_{REF}(0.8V) \times C_{SS}}{I_{SS}(10uA)}$$

If an external voltage source is connected to the SS/TRK pin, the external soft-start capability of the MK9218 is disabled. The regulated output voltage level is rising follow the external SS/TRK rising slope, when the SS/TRK pin reaches the 0.8V reference voltage level. The regulated output voltage is following the external REF (0.8V).

12.4 Voltage-Mode Control Loop (COMP)

The MK9218 integrates the voltage mode control loop implementation and feeds the input voltage forward to eliminate the input voltage dependence of the PWM modulator gain. for more detail design application information please refer MK9218 reference design parameter; The loop calculation is refer the 12.18 Control Loop Compensation.

12.5 Feed Back (FB)

Feedback input, which connect to the internal voltage EA negative input, choose appropriate R_{F1} and R_{F2} to program the output voltage. For target V_{OUT} setpoint, calculate R_{F1} and R_{F2} using below equation:

$$V_{OUT} = 0.8 \text{V} \times (1 + \frac{R_{F2}}{R_{F1}})$$

 R_{F1} in the range of $2k\Omega$ to $5k\Omega$ is recommended for most applications. Larger feedback resistors consume less DC current, which is important if light-load efficiency is critical. But too large resistors are not recommended as the feedback path would become more susceptible.

The feedforward capacitor C_{FF} is strongly recommended, which can improve the system stability and transient responses.



Figure 22. FB connection



12.6 Clock Synchronization and Diode Emulation Mode (SYNCI、SYNCO)

There are 3 functions of SYNCI.

When SYNCI is floating or tie to GND, the switch frequency of MK9218 is set by the frequency resistor RT and works in diodes emulation mode.

When SYNCI is connect to an external clock synchronization signal, the switching Frequency is determined by the external clock signal and works in FPWM mode.

When SYNCI is connect to VCC, it works in FPWM mode;

SYNCO is the output of MK9218, the output of SYNCO is nearly delay 180° of the HO.

12.7 Power Good (PG)

MK9218 provides a PG flag pin to indicate whether the output voltage is within the regulation level. PG is an open-drain output that requires a pullup resistor to a DC source which voltage is less than 14V (If necessary, use a resistor divider to decrease the voltage from a higher voltage pullup rail). The typical range of pullup resistance is about $10k\Omega$ to $100 k\Omega$. When the FB voltage exceeds 95% of the reference, the internal switch will be turned off and PG can be pulled high by the pullup resistor. If the FB voltage falling below 92% of the reference or rising greater 108% of the reference, the switch will be turned on and PG is pulled low to indicate the output voltage is out of regulation. The function of PG is to set start-up sequencing of downstream converters, fault protection, and output monitoring.

12.8 Current Sensing and OCP (ILIM)

The MK9218 use the negative drop across the low-side FET or current sense resistor at the end of the "OFF" time to measure the inductor current. Allowing for 30% over the minimum current limit for transient recovery and 20% rise in $R_{DS(on)-LS}$ for self-heating of the MOSFET, the voltage drop across the low-side FET at current limit and application diagram is given by below:

$$R_{LIM} = \frac{I_o - \delta I_L/2}{I_{RDS(on)-LS}} \times R_{DS(on)-LS}$$



Figure 23. Low-side FET current sense

When use current sense resistor, the voltage drop across the current sense resistor at current limit and application diagram is given by below:





 $R_{LIM} = \frac{I_o - \delta I_L/2}{I_{RS}} \times R_{RS}$

Figure 24. RS current sense

12.9 Gate Drivers (LO, HO)

The MK9218 provide high drive capability up to 2.5A/3.5A, select suitable Rg to reduce switching speed;

12.10 High-Voltage Bias Supply Regulator (VCC)

MK9218 support 100V High-voltage input, it is the high voltage LDO output PIN, output voltage is 7.5V, Connect a ceramic decoupling capacitor between 1 μ F and 5 μ F from VCC to AGND for stability. Place the capacitor as close as possible to the MK9218 VCC and GND pins.

When application Vout voltage is between 8.5V to 14V,or the system board has 8.5V to 14V voltage rail, this voltage can be connect to VCC through a diodes instead of internal high-voltage LDO, which can reduce internal high voltage LDO power loss, This is very helpful to reduce chip loss and heat generation, especially in scenarios where the input bus voltage is high (for example, applications with an input greater than 60V), application diagram is given by below:



Figure 25. external VCC supply

Notes that if used BIAS voltage to provide VCC supply, VIN is also need to connect to VIN-BUS to



offer startup voltage and current.

Notes that if used BIAS voltage to provide VCC supply and VIN voltage is less than the BIAS voltage, an extra diodes is needed to connect between VIN and VIN-BUS show as below:



Figure 26. BIAS VCC supply (BIAS > VIN)

12.11 Boot-strap For High-side MOSFET (BST)

This capacitor provides the energy for high-side gate driver. A high-quality COG 100nF ceramic capacitor connected between the BS pin and the SW pin is recommended. Also, a RC series net can be used for slow down the turn-on speed of high side MOSFET.

12.12 Switching Node (SW)

Switching node. Connect to the bootstrap capacitor, the source terminal of the high side MOSFET and the drain terminal of the low-side MOSFET using short, low inductance paths. It also can be connected to one end of the inductance. Pay attention to this area to be a thermal pad when PCB layout.

12.13 High-Voltage Input (VIN)

MK9218 support 100V High-voltage input, it is the high voltage LDO input PIN, an input capacitor and Resistance is necessary to limit the input ripple voltage ensure the LDO work stability VIN is also used to provide PWM feedforward Gain(VIN/V_{RAMP}),so VIN is must connected to VIN-BUS.

12.14 OTP

MK9218 support OTP(over temperature protection), The thermal shutdown threshold is about 175° C which is T_J, The OTP is a non-latching protection, thermal shutdown hysteresis is about 20° C.

12.15 Input Capacitor (CIN)

An input capacitor is necessary to limit the input ripple voltage while providing AC current to the buck converter at every switching cycle. The input ripple voltage ΔV_{IN} at input capacitor is calculated as:



$$\Delta V_{IN} = \frac{I_{OUT} \times D \times (1 - D)}{F_{SW} \times C_{IN}} + I_{OUT} \times R_{ESR}$$

The capacitance of input capacitor is calculated as:

$$C_{IN} \ge \frac{I_{OUT} \times D \times (1 - D)}{F_{SW} \times (\Delta V_{IN} - I_{OUT} \times R_{ESR})}$$

To minimize the potential noise problem, a X5R or better grade capacitor with sufficient voltage rating is recommended. This capacitor should be close to the VIN and GND pins to minimize the loop area formed by C_{IN} and VIN/GND pins. In this application, a 0.1μ F low ESR ceramic capacitor is recommended.

12.16 Output Inductor (L)

It is recommended to choose the ripple current of inductor between 30% to 50% of the rated load current I_{OUT} (max) for most applications. The inductance is calculated as:

$$L = \frac{V_{OUT}}{F_{SW} \times \Delta I_L} \times (1 - \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}})$$

And the peak current of inductor is calculated as:

$$I_L(\text{peak}) = I_{OUT}(max) + \frac{\Delta I_L}{2}$$

The saturation current rating of the inductor must greater than the I_L (peak). An inductor whose saturation current is above the current limit setting of the MK9218 will be best choice. Note that inductor saturation current levels generally decrease as the inductor temperature increase.

12.17 Output Capacitor (COUT)

The output capacitor limits the capacitive voltage ripple at the converter output. This voltage ripple which is generated from the triangular inductor current ripple flowing into and out of the capacitor can be calculated as:

$$\Delta V_{OUT} = \frac{\Delta I_L}{8 \times F_{SW} \times C_{OUT}}$$

Above equation only take the steady state ripple into consideration. The transient requirements also must be taken into consideration when selecting the output capacitor. The X7R or better grade ceramic capacitor larger than 220μ F is recommended.

12.18 Control Loop Compensation

The MK9218 integrates the voltage mode control loop implementation and feeds the input voltage forward to eliminate the input voltage dependence of the PWM modulator gain. The voltage mode buck control loop is show as below:





Figure 27. Buck circuit voltage loop control diagram

It is the equivalent control block diagram. kf and Gv(s) are the transfer function of the regulator; kd is the transfer function from the regulator output to the duty cycle; Kpwm is the transfer function from the duty cycle to the diode voltage VD1; G1(s) is the transfer function from VD1 to the output voltage.



Figure 28. Buck equivalent control block diagram

Step1, calculate $k_f(s) \times G_v(s)$

$$\begin{cases} V_a = \frac{R_{F1}}{R_{F1} + Z_1} V_{out} \implies V_{ref} - V_a = V_{ref} - \frac{R_{F1}}{R_{F1} + Z_1} V_{out} = \frac{(R_{F1} + Z_1) V_{ref} - R_{F1} V_{out}}{R_{F1} + Z_1} \\ \frac{V_{out} - V_{ref}}{Z_1} = \frac{V_{ref}}{R_{F1}} + \frac{V_{ref} - V_b}{Z_2} \implies \frac{(Z_1 + R_{F1}) V_{ref} - R_{F1} V_{out}}{Z_1 R_{F1}} = \frac{-V_{ref} + V_b}{Z_2} \end{cases}$$

then

$$\begin{cases} G_{v}(s) = \frac{V_{b}}{(V_{ref} - V_{a})} = \frac{Z_{2} \times (Z_{1} + R_{F1})}{Z_{1}R_{F1}} \\ k_{f}(s) = \frac{R_{F1}}{Z_{1} + R_{F1}} \end{cases}$$

Get the loop compensation function result

 $k_f(s) \times G_v(s) = \frac{Z_2}{Z_1}$



$Step 2 \ \ calculate \ K_d$

The regulator output voltage Vb is compared with the sawtooth wave of amplitude Vramp to get the duty cycle D, and the transfer function of this link is Kd.

$$\mathbf{k}_{d} = \frac{D}{V_{b}} = \frac{1}{V_{\text{ramp}}}$$



Figure 29. V_{RAMP} wave

Step3、calculate Kpwm

The PWM signal is applied to the switch Q1

0-DT period (T is the switching period): Q1 is turned on, and the voltage across the diode D1 is Vin; During DT-T: Q1 is off, the inductor current flows through D1, and the voltage across the diode D1 is 0.

Therefore, the average value of the voltage across the diode D1 is DVin.

$$\mathbf{k}_{pwm} = \frac{V_{D1}}{D} = \frac{DV_{in}}{D} = V_{in}$$

Step4、 calculate G1(s):



Figure 29. Vout Vs VD1

$$G_1(s) = \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{D1}(s)} = \frac{1 + R_{esr}C_{out}s}{\frac{L * R_{out}C_{out} + L * R_{esr}C_{out}}{R_{out}}s^2 + \frac{L + R_{out}R_{esr}C_{out}}{R_{out}}s + 1}$$

Resr<<Rout, to further simplify the transfer function,



$$G_{1}(s) = \frac{V_{out}(s)}{V_{D1}(s)} = \frac{1 + R_{esr}C_{out}s}{L * C_{out}s^{2} + \frac{L}{R_{out}}s + 1}$$

The transfer function has a zero point and a double pole. Zero frequency:

$$f_{ESR} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_{esr}C_{out}}$$

Double pole frequency:
$$f_{LC} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L * C_{out}}}$$

Step5、Regulator parameter design



Figure 30. control loop and equivalent control block

Obtain the open-loop transfer function of the system:

$$G_o(s) = k_f(s) \times G_v(s) \times k_d \times k_{pwm} \times G_1(s)$$
$$G_o(s) = \frac{Z_2(s)}{Z_1(s)} \times \frac{k_{pwm}}{V_{ramp}} \times \frac{1 + R_{esr}C_{out}s}{L * C_{out}s^2 + \frac{L}{R_{out}}s + 1}$$



$$\frac{Z_2(s)}{Z_1(s)} = \frac{1}{sR_{F2}(C_{COMP2} + C_{COMP1})} \times \frac{(R_{COMP2}C_{COMP2}s + 1)((R_{F2} + R_{FF})C_{FF}s + 1)}{(\frac{R_{COMP2}C_{COMP2}C_{COMP1}}{C_{COMP2} + C_{COMP1}}s + 1)(R_{FF}C_{FF}s + 1)}$$

In order to simplify the regulator transfer function design process, when designing regulator parameters, take $C_{COMP2} >> C_{COMP1}$. then

$$\frac{Z_2(s)}{Z_1(s)} = \frac{1}{sR_{F2}C_{COMP2}} \times \frac{(R_{COMP2}C_{COMP2}s+1)((R_{F2}+R_{FF})C_{FF}s+1)}{(R_{COMP2}C_{COMP1}s+1)(R_{FF}C_{FF}s+1)}$$

The regulator has two poles:

$$f_{p1} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_{FF}C_{FF}}, \quad f_{p2} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_{COMP2}C_{COMP1}}$$

Two zeros:

$$f_{z1} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_{COMP2}C_{COMP2}}, \quad f_{z2} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times (R_{F2} + R_{FF})C_{FF}}$$

The two poles and two zeros show as below:



Figure 30. control loop with poles and zeros

And the final Open loop transfer function:

$$\begin{aligned} G_o(s) &= \frac{1}{sR_{F2}C_{COMP2}} \times \frac{(R_{COMP2}C_{COMP2}s + 1)((R_{F2} + R_{FF})C_{FF}s + 1)}{(R_{COMP2}C_{COMP1}s + 1)(R_{FF}C_{FF}s + 1)} \times \frac{V_{\text{in}}}{V_{ramp}} \times \frac{1 + R_{esr}C_{out}s}{L * C_{out}s^2 + \frac{L}{R_{out}}s + 1} \\ &= \frac{V_{\text{in}}}{V_{ramp}} \times \frac{1}{R_{F2}C_{COMP2}} \times \frac{1}{s} \times \frac{(R_{COMP2}C_{COMP2}s + 1)((R_{F2} + R_{FF})C_{FF}s + 1)}{(R_2C_3s + 1)(R_3C_2s + 1)} \times \frac{1 + R_{esr}C_{out}s}{L * C_{out}s^2 + \frac{L}{R_{out}}s + 1} \end{aligned}$$

Step6、 calculate Compensation component parameters:

The crossover frequency of the open loop gain is set to $1/5 \sim 1/10$ of the switching frequency;

$$f_c = (\frac{1}{10} \sim \frac{1}{5}) f_{sw}$$
 f_c is crossover frequency, f_{sw} is switching frequency;



$$\frac{V_{in}}{V_{ramp}} \times \frac{1}{R_{F2}C_{COMP2}} \times \frac{1}{k_1} = 2\pi f_c \quad (f_{LC} < \langle f_c, \text{ get } \mathbf{k}_1 \rangle)$$

Usually RF2 and RF1 can be set first according to Vout, so

$$C_{COMP2} = \frac{V_{\rm IN}}{V_{ramp} \times \pi f_c \times R_{F2} \times 2k_1} \quad (1)$$

The first pole is equal to the zero caused by the out capacitor esr:

$$f_{p1} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_{FF}C_{FF}} = f_{esr} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_{esr}C_{out}} \quad (2)$$

The second pole is equal to half of the switching frequency:

$$f_{p2} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_{COMP2} C_{COMP1}} = f_{p2} = \frac{1}{2} f_{sw} \qquad (3)$$

Two zero points of the regulator (fz1: compensate the first zero point, fz2: compensate the second zero point)

$$f_{z1} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times R_{COMP2}C_{COMP2}} = k_1 f_{LC} \quad (k_1 = 0.5 \sim 1) \qquad (4)$$
$$f_{Z2} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times (R_{F2} + R_{FE})C_{FE}} = f_{LC} \qquad (5)$$

By the formula (1) –(5), calculate the Compensation component parameters:

$$C_{COMP2} = \frac{V_{IN}}{V_{ramp} \times \pi f_c \times R_{F2} \times 2k_1}$$

$$R_{COMP2} = \frac{V_{ramp}}{V_{IN}} \frac{f_c}{f_{LC}} R_{F2}$$

$$C_{COMP1} = \frac{1}{\pi \times R_{COMP2} \times f_{sw}}$$

$$R_{FF} = \frac{f_{LC}}{f_{esr} - f_{LC}} R_{F2}$$

$$C_{FF} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times f_{esr} \times R_{FF}}$$

For example:

Vin=6.5-100V, Vout=5V, Iout=0-20A, Fsw=230kHz, V_{IN}/V_{RAMP}=15, L=3.3uH, Cout=549uF, ESR=3mΩ, R_{F2}=23.2kΩ, R_{F1}=4.42kΩ₀ $f_{LC} = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L*C_{out}}} = 3.74$ kHz $f_{ESR} = \frac{1}{2\pi \sqrt{R}e_{sr}C_{out}} = 97$ kHz $f_c = \frac{1}{8.6}f_{sw} = 27$ kHz (f_c is usually ($\frac{1}{10} \sim \frac{1}{5}$) of f_{sw} ; $C_{COMP2} = \frac{V_{IN}}{V_{RAMP} \times \pi f_c \times R_{F2} \times 2k_1} = 4.8$ nF (k₁ IX 0.8) $R_{COMP2} = \frac{V_{RAMP}}{V_{IN}} \frac{f_c}{f_{LC}} R_{F2} = 11$ k



- $C_{COMP1} = \frac{1}{\pi \times R_{COMP2} \times f_{sw}} = 126 pF \quad (150 \text{pF})$
- $R_{FF} = \frac{f_{LC}}{f_{esr} f_{LC}} R_{F2} = 930 \quad (1000)$
- $C_{FF} = \frac{1}{2\pi \times f_{esr} \times R_{FF}} = 1.6nF \quad (1.8nF)$



13 LAYOUT

13.1 Layout Guideline

To achieve high performance of the MK9218, the following layout tips must be followed.

- (1) At least one low-ESR ceramic bypass capacitor VCC must be used. Place the capacitor as close as possible to the MK9218 VCC and GND pins.
- (2) Minimize the loop area formed by C_{IN} connections to VIN and GND pins, refer to figure 25.
- (3) Inductor must be placed close to the SW pin. Minimize the area of SW trace to avoid the potential noise problem.
- (4) Maximize the PCB area connecting to the GND pin and thermal pad. If it is allowed, a ground plane can be used as noise shielding and heat dissipation path.
- (5) Place the feedback resistors, R_{f1} and R_{f2} , close to the FB pin. Route the feedback V_{OUT} sense path away from noisy nodes such as the SW net.
- (6) The RT pin is sensitive to noise. The on-time set resistor R_T must be close to the device.
- (7) BST capacitor to high-side MOS gate path width is better wider than 15mil(demo is 20mil);
- (8) VCC capacitor to low-side MOS gate path width is better wider than 15mil(demo is 20mil), it recommended that 2 vias placed near to VCC capacitor GND to reduce driver path resistance.



13.2 Layout Example



Figure 31. MK9218 Power Loop Layout Example







Figure 32. MK9218 controller Loop Layout Example



14 REFERENCE DESIGN

14.1 Reference design 1

Vin=6.5-100V Vout=5V Iout=0-20A Fsw=230kHz



Figure 33. Reference design 1

14.2 Reference design 2

Vin=15-100V Vout=12V Iout=0-12A Fsw=400kHz



Figure 34. Reference design 2



14.3 Reference design 3



Figure 35. Reference design 3



15 PACKAGE

15.1 Package Size

15.1.1 MK9218CQB package size



SVMBOL	Dimensions(mm)				
STMBOL	MIN	NOM	MAX		
Α	0.70	0.75	0.80		
A1	-	0.01	0.05		
b	0.18	0.25	0.30		
С	0.18	0.20	0.25		
D	4.40	4.50	4.60		
D2	3.10	3.20	3.30		
D3	3.85REF				
е	0.50BSC				
e1	0.75BSC				
e2		0.25BSC			
Nd		3.50BSC			
E	3.40	3.50	3.60		
E3	0.35REF				
E4	0.75REF				
E5	2.10	2.20	2.30		
L	0.35 0.40 0.45				
h	0.20	0.25	0.30		

Figure36. package dimensions

NOTES:

- 1. This drawing is subject to change without notice
- 2. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the printed circuit board for thermal and mechanical performance.



15.1.2 MK9218DQB package size



Figure37. package dimensions

SVMPOL	Dimensions(mm)			
STMDUL	MIN	NOM	MAX	
А	0.70	0.75	0.80	
A1	-	0.02	0.05	
b	0.20	0.25	0.30	
b1		0.18REF		
С		0.203REF		
D	4.40	4.50	4.60	
D1	2.60	2.70	2.80	
е	0.50BSC			
e1		0.75BSC		
Ne		3.50BSC		
E	3.40	3.50	3.60	
E1	2.10	1.80	2.30	
L	0.35	0.40	0.45	
h	0.30	0.35	0.40	
К	0.5REF			

NOTES:

- 3. This drawing is subject to change without notice
- 4. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the printed circuit board for thermal and mechanical performance.



15.2 Recommended Land Pattern



Figure38. Recommended Land Pattern

Notes:

- 1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
- 2. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.



15.3 Recommended Stencil Design



Figure39. Recommended Stencil Design

Notes:

1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.



16 REEL AND TAPE INFORMATION



Figure40. Tape Dimensions

SYMBOL	Dimensions(mm)			
	MIN	NOM	MAX	
W	11.70	12.00	12.30	
W1	12.20	12.50	12.80	
A0	3.70	3.80	3.90	
B0	4.70	4.80	4.90	
K0	1.08	1.18	1.28	
P1	7.90	8.00	8.10	

Device	Package	Ding	Quantities	Reel Diameter	Reel Width
	Туре	PIns		(mm)	W1(mm)
MK9218	QFN20L	20	4000	332	12.5
A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	
3.8	4.8	1.18	8.0	12.0	



17 REEL BOX DIMENSIONS



Figure41. Rell Box Dimensions