

15A Synchronous Step Down COT Regulator

General Description

The XR76115 is a synchronous step-down regulator combining the controller, drivers, bootstrap diode and MOSFETs in a single package for point-of-load supplies. The XR76115 has a load current rating of 15A. A wide 5V to 22V input voltage range allows for single supply operation from industry standard 5V, 12V and 19.6V rails.

With a proprietary emulated current mode Constant On-Time (COT) control scheme, the XR76115 provides extremely fast line and load transient response using ceramic output capacitors. It requires no loop compensation, simplifying circuit implementation and reducing overall component count. The control loop also provides 0.25% load and 0.12% line regulation and maintains constant operating frequency. A selectable power saving mode allows the user to operate in discontinuous mode (DCM) at light current loads, thereby significantly increasing the converter efficiency.

A host of protection features, including over-current, overtemperature, short-circuit and UVLO, help achieve safe operation under abnormal operating conditions.

The XR76115 is available in a RoHS-compliant, green / halogenfree, space-saving QFN 6x6mm package.

FEATURES

- 15A capable step down regulator
- 4.5V to 5.5V low V_{IN} operation
- 5V to 22V wide single input voltage
- ≥0.6V adjustable output voltage
- · Controller, drivers, bootstrap diode and MOSFETs integrated in one package
- Proprietary Constant On-Time control
 - No loop compensation required Ceramic output capacitor stable operation
 - Programmable 200ns 2µs on-time Quasi constant 200kHz - 800kHz frequency
 - Selectable CCM or CCM / DCM operation
- Precision enable and Power-Good flag
- Programmable soft-start
- 6x6mm 37-pin QFN package

APPLICATIONS

- Distributed power architecture
- Point-of-Load converters
- Power supply modules
- FPGA, DSP, and processor supplies
- Base stations, switches / routers, and server

Typical Application

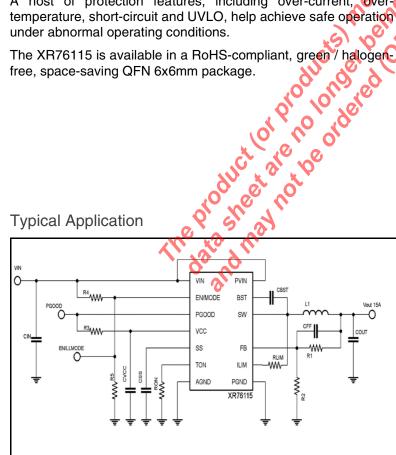


Figure 1: XR76115 Application Diagram

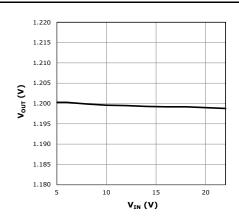


Figure 2: XR76115 Line Regulation

Absolute Maximum Ratings

These are stress ratings only and functional operation of the device at these ratings or any other above those indicated in the operation sections of the specifications below is not implied. Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. Exposure to any Absolute Maximum Rating condition for extended periods may affect device reliability and lifetime.

PV _{IN} , V _{IN}	0.3V to 25V
Vcc	0.3V to 6.0V
BST	0.3V to 31V ⁽¹⁾
BST-SW	0.3V to 6V
SW, I _{LIM}	1V to 25V ^(1,2)
All other pins	0.3V to V _{CC} +0.3V
Storage temperature	65°C to 150°C
Junction temperature	150°C
Power dissipation	Internally Limited
Lead temperature (soldering, 10 sec)	300°C
ESD rating (HBM - Human Body Model)	2kV

Operating Ratings

PV _{IN}	3V to 22V
V _{IN}	4.5V to 22V
V _{CC}	4.5V to 5.5V
SW, I _{LIM}	1V to 22V(2)
PGOOD, V _{CC} , T _{ON} , SS, EN	0.3V to 5.5V
Switching Frequency2	200kHz - 800kHz ⁽³⁾
Junction Temperature Range (T _J)	40°C to 125°C
XR76115 Package Power Dissipation max at 25°	°C 5.2W
XR76115 JEDEC51 Package Thermal Resistance	e θ _{JA} 19°C/W

Note 1: No external voltage applied

Note 2: SW pin's DC range is -1V, transient is -5V for less than 50ns

Note 3: Recommended

Ordering Information(1)

Part Number	Operating Temperature Range	Package	Packing Method	Lead-Free ⁽²⁾			
XR76115EL-F	-40°C≤Tյ≤+125°C	6x6mm QFN	Bulk	Yes			
XR76115ELTR-F	-40°C≤Tյ≤+125°C	6x6mm QFN	Tape & Reel	Yes			
XR76115EVB	XB76115 Evaluation Board						

NOTES:

- 1. Refer to www.maxlinear.com/XR76115 for most up-to-date Ordering Information.
- 2. Visit www.maxlinear.com for additional information on Environmental Rating.

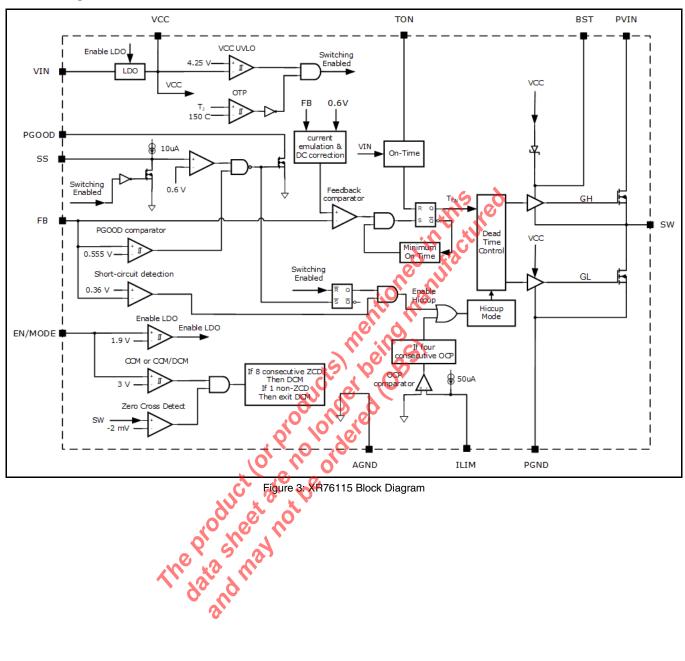
Electrical Characteristics

Specifications are for the operating junction temperature of $T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$ only; limits applying over the full operating junction temperature range are denoted by a " \bullet ". Typical values represent the most likely parametric norm at $T_J = 25^{\circ}\text{C}$, and are provided for reference purposes only. Unless otherwise indicated, $V_{IN}=12V$.

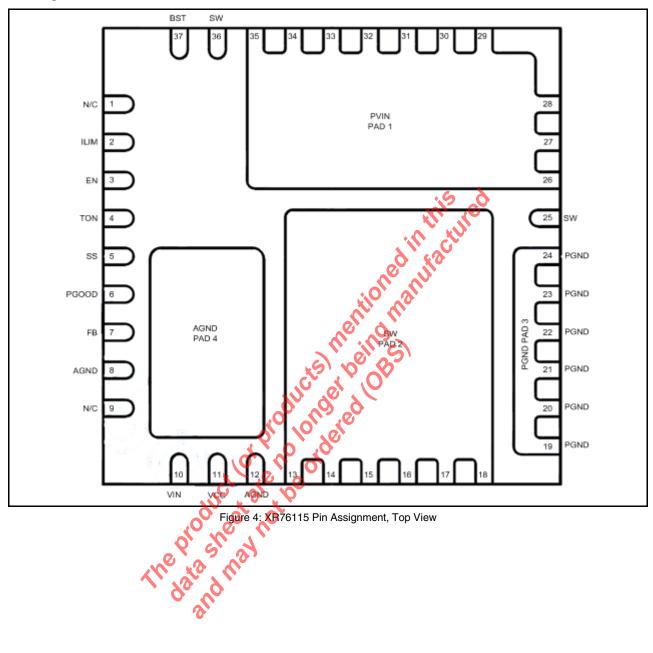
Parameter	Min	Тур.	Max.	Units		Conditions
Power Supply Characteristics						
V _{IN} , input voltage range	5	12	22	V		V _{CC} regulating
VIN, Input voltage range	4.5	5.0	5.5	V	Ĭ	V _{CC} tied to V _{IN}
I _{VIN} , V _{IN} supply current		0.7	1.3	mA	•	Not switching, V _{IN} = 12V, V _{FB} = 0.7V
Ivcc, Vcc quiescent current		0.7	1.3	mA	•	Not switching, $V_{CC} = V_{IN} = 5V$, $V_{FB} = 0.7V$
I _{VIN} , V _{IN} supply current		11		mA		$f = 300kHz$, $R_{ON} = 107k$, $V_{FB} = 0.58V$
I _{OFF} , shutdown current		0.5		μA		Enable = $0V$, $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{IN} = PV_{IN}$
Enable and Under-Voltage Lock-Out UVL	0					
V _{IH_EN} , EN pin rising threshold	1.8	1.9	2.0	V	•	
V _{EN_HYS} , EN pin hysteresis		50		mV		
V _{IH_EN} , EN pin rising threshold for DCM / CCM operation	2.8	3.0	3.1	٧	•	
V _{EN_HYS} , EN pin hysteresis	_	100		mV		
Vcc UVLO start threshold, rising edge	4.00	4.25	4.50	V	•	
Vcc UVLO hysteresis		200		mV		

Parameter	Min.	Тур.	Max.	Units		Conditions
Reference Voltage						
	0.597	0.600	0.603	V		V _{IN} = 5V - 22V → V _{CC} regulating
V _{REF} , reference voltage	0.596	0.600	0.604	V		$V_{IN} = 4.5V - 5.5V \rightarrow V_{CC}$ tied to V_{IN}
VREF, TOTOTOTOE VOILAGE	0.594	0.600	0.606	٧	•	$V_{IN} = 5V - 22V \rightarrow V_{CC}$ regulating, $V_{IN} = 4.5V - 5.5V \rightarrow V_{CC}$ tied to V_{IN}
DC load regulation		±0.25		%		CCM operation, closed loop, applies to any C _{OUT}
DC line regulation		±0.12		%		
Programmable Constant On-Time						
On-time 1	1.66	1.95	2.24	μs	•	$R_{ON} = 140k\Omega$, $V_{IN} = 22V$
f corresponding to on-time 1	243	280	329	kHz		V _{IN} = 22V, V _{OUT} = 12V
Minimum programmable on-time		109		ns		$R_{ON} = 6.98k\Omega$, $V_{IN} = 22V$
On-time 2	170	200	230	ns	•	$R_{ON} = 6.98k\Omega$, $V_{IN} = 12V$
f corresponding to on-time 2	362	417	490	kHz		V _{OUT} = 1.0V
On-time 3	365	430	495	ns	•	$R_{ON} = 16.2k\Omega$, $V_{IN} = 12V$
Minimum off-time		250	350	ns	•	.0.10
Diode Emulation Mode	1	•		,		71.00
Zero crossing threshold		-2		mV	0	DC value measured during test
Soft-Start					0	
SS charge current	-14	-10	-6	μA	7.	**
SS discharge current	1	3		mA	•	Fault present
V _{CC} Linear Regulator				10	Q	
	4.8	5.0	5.2		•	V _N = 6V to 22V, I _{load} = 0 to 30mA
V _{CC} output voltage	4.51	4.7		V	0	V _{IN} = 5V, I _{load} = 0 to 20mA
Dropout voltage	100	300	490	mV	V	I _{VCC} = 30mA
Power Good Output		•	D. (1)	1.6		
Power Good threshold	-10	-7.5	-50	%		
Power Good hysteresis		2	(4)	1%		
Power Good sink current	1	15	7 70	mΑ		
Protection: OCP, OTP, Short-Circuit		0 0	, ,,			
Hiccup timeout		110	O.	ms		
I _{LIM} pin source current	45	50	55	μΑ		
I _{LIM} current temperature coefficient	10 ×	0.4		%/°C		
I _{LIM} comparator offset	-8.0	.00	+8	mV	•	
Current limit blanking	100	100		ns		
Thermal shutdown threshold	9 0	150		°C		Rising temperature
Thermal hysteresis	2	15		°C		
Feedback pin short-circuit threshold	50	60	70	%	•	Percent of V _{REF} , short circuit is active After PGOOD is up
Output Power Stage						
High-side MOSFET R _{DSON}		7	10	mΩ		$V_{GS} = 4.5V$, $I_{DS} = 2A$
Low-side MOSFET R _{DSON}		4	4.6	mΩ		$V_{GS} = 4.5V$, $I_{DS} = 2A$
Maximum output current	15			Α	•	

Block Diagram



Pin Assignment



Pin Description

Name	Pin Number	Description
NC	1,9	Not connected.
ILIM	2	Over-current protection programming. Connect with a resistor to SW.
EN/MODE	3	Precision enable pin. Pulling this pin above 1.9V will turn the regulator on and it will operate in CCM. If the voltage is raised above 3.0V then the regulator will operate in DCM / CCM depending on load.
TON	4	Constant on-time programming pin. Connect with a resistor to AGND.
SS	5	Soft-start pin. Connect an external capacitor between SS and AGND to program the soft-start rate based on the 10µA internal source current.
PGOOD	6	Power-good output. This open-drain output is pulled low when VouT is outside the regulation.
FB	7	Feedback input to feedback comparator. Connect with a set of resistors to VOUT and AGND in order to program Vout.
AGND	8, 12, AGND Pad	Signal ground for control circuitry. Connect AGND Pad with a short trace to pins 8 and 12.
VIN	10	Supply input for the regulator's LDO. Normally it is connected to PVIN.
VCC	11	The output of regulator's LDO. For operation using a 5V rail, VCC should be shorted to VIN.
SW	13-18, 25, 36, SW Pad	Switch node. The drain of the low-side N-channel MOSFET. The source of the high-side MOSFET is wire-bonded to the SW pad.
PGND	19-24, PGND Pad	Ground of the power stage. Should be connected to the system's power ground plane. The source of the low-side MOSFET is wire-bonded to PGND Pad.
PVIN	26-35, PVIN Pad	Input voltage for the power stage. The drain of the high-side N-channel MOSFET.
BST	37	High-side driver supply pin. Connect and F bootstrap capacitor between BST and SW.
		Input voltage for the power stage. The drain of the high-side N-channel MOSFET. High-side driver supply pin. Connect a 1µF bootstrap capacitor between BST and SW.

Typical Performance Characteristics

All data taken at V_{IN} = 12V, V_{OUT} = 1.2V, f = 600kHz, T_A = 25°C, no air flow, Forced CCM, unless otherwise specified. The schematic and BOM are from the Applications Circuit section of this datasheet.

REGULATION

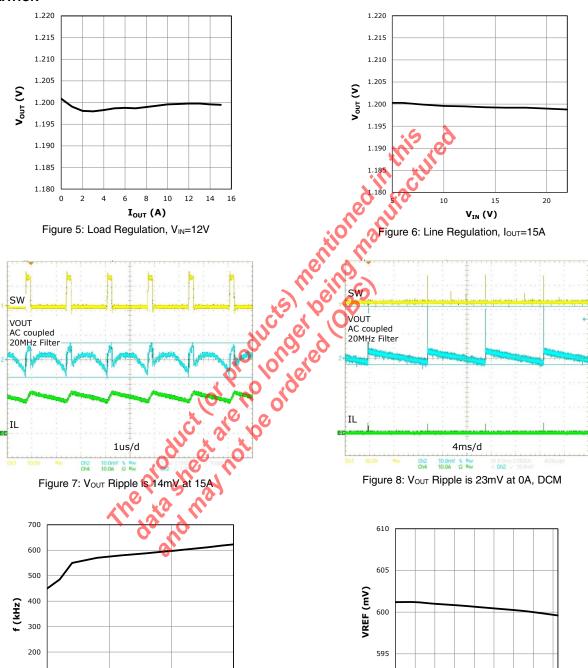


Figure 9: Frequency vs. Iout, Forced CCM

10

I_{OUT} (A)

15

100

Figure 10: V_{REF} vs. Temperature

60

Tj (°C)

590

-40 -20

0

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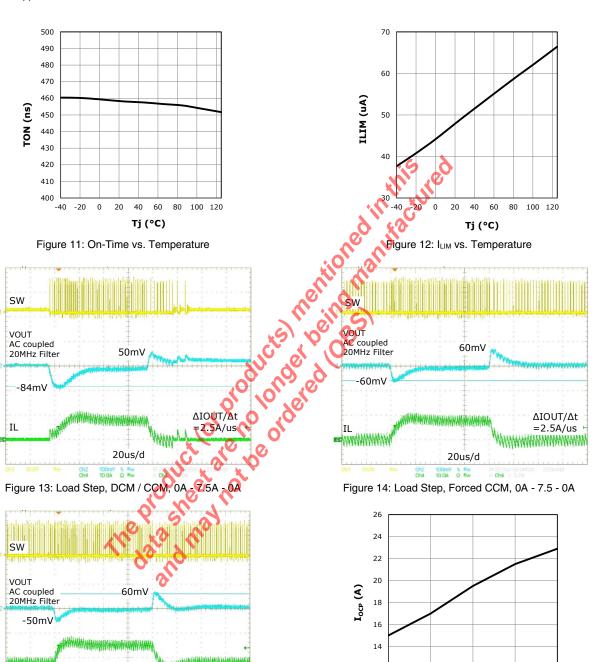


Figure 15: Load Step, Forced CCM, 7.5A - 15A - 7.5A

20us/d

IL

ΔΙΟUT/Δt

=2.5A/us

Figure 16: Typical Iocp versus RLIM

R_{LIM} (k)

2.25

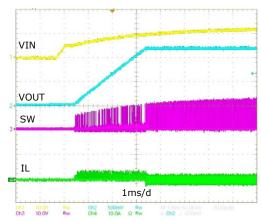
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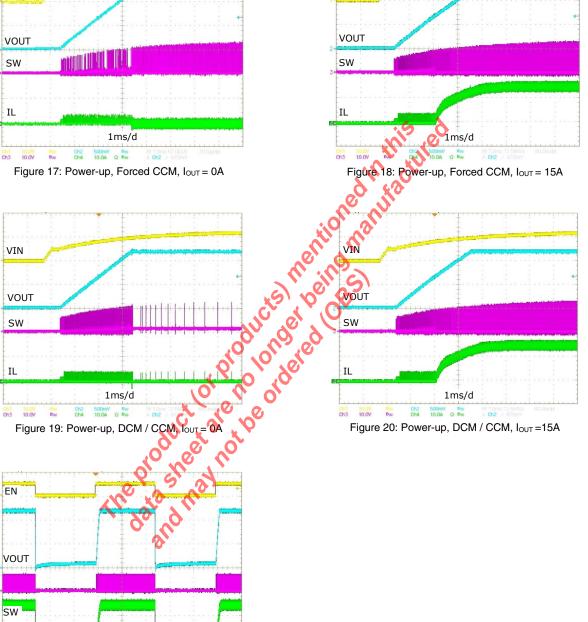
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2.5

Power-up





VIN

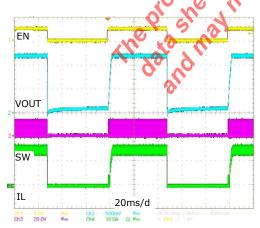
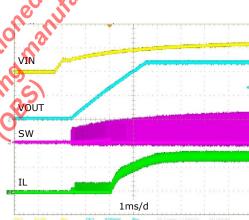


Figure 21: Enable Turn On / Turn Off, 1.2Vout, 15A



Efficiency and Thermal Characteristics

T_{AMBIENT} = 25°C, no air flow, inductor losses are included.

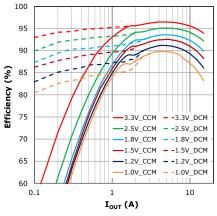
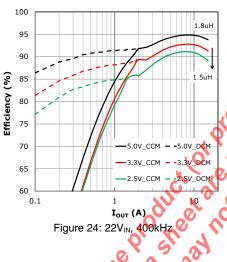


Figure 22: 5V_{IN}, 600kHz, 0.47µH



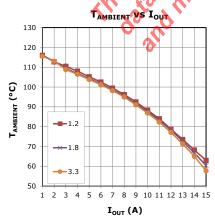


Figure 25: Package Thermal Derating, 12VIN

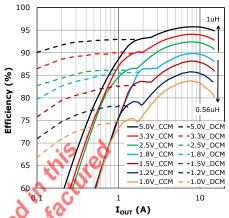


Figure 23: 12V_{IN}, 600kHz

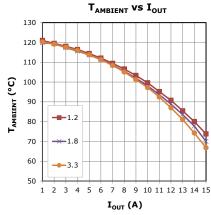


Figure 26: Package Thermal Derating, 5VIN

Detailed Operation

The XR76115 uses a synchronous step-down, proprietary emulated current-mode Constant On-Time (COT) control scheme. The on-time, which is programmed via Ron, is inversely proportional to $V_{\mbox{\scriptsize IN}}$ and maintains a nearly constant frequency. The emulated current-mode control allows the use of ceramic output capacitors.

Each switching cycle begins with the high-side (switching) FET turning on for a pre-programmed time. At the end of the on-time, the high-side FET is turned off and the low-side (synchronous) FET is turned on for a preset minimum time (250ns nominal). This parameter is termed the Minimum Off-Time. After the Minimum Off-Time, the voltage at the feedback pin FB is compared to an internal voltage ramp at the feedback comparator. When VFB drops below the ramp voltage, the high-side FET is turned on and the cycle repeats. This voltage ramp constitutes an emulated current ramp and allows for the use of ceramic capacitors, in addition to other capacitor types, for output filtering.

Enable / Mode

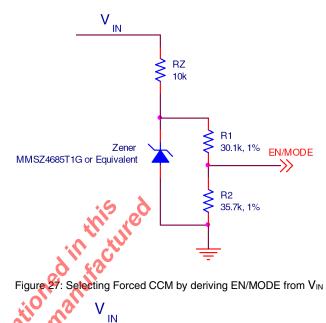
The EN/MODE pin accepts a tri-level signal that is used to control channel turn-on and turn-off. It also selects between two modes of operation: 'Forced CCM' and 'DCM / CCM'. If EN is pulled below 1.9V, the regulator shuts down. A voltage between 1.9V and 3V selects the Forced CCM mode, which will run the converter in continuous conduction for all load currents. A voltage higher than 3V selects the DCM / CCM mode, which will run the converter in discontinuous conduction mode at light loads. discontinuous conduction mode at light loads.

Selecting the Forced CCM Mode

In order to set the controller to operate in Forced CCM, a voltage between 1.9V and 3.0V must be applied to the EN/MODE pin. This can be achieved with an external control signal that meets the above voltage requirement. Where an external control is not available, the EN/MODE signal can be derived from V_{IN}. If V_{IN} is well regulated, use a resistor divider and set the voltage to 2.5V. If VIN varies over a wide range, the circuit shown in Figure 27 can be used to generate the required voltage. Note that at V_{IN} of 5.5V to 22V, the nominal Zener voltage is respectively 4.0V to 5.0V. Therefore, for V_{IN} in the range of 5.5V to 22V, the circuit shown in Figure 27 will generate voltage at the EN/MODE pin required for Forced CCM.

Selecting the DCM / CCM Mode

In order to set the controller operation to DCM / CCM, a voltage between 3.1V and 5.5V must be applied to the EN/MODE pin. If an external control signal is available, it can be directly connected to the EN/MODE pin. In applications where an external control signal is not available, the EN/MODE input can be derived from V_{IN}. If V_{IN} is well regulated, use a resistor divider and set the voltage to 4.0V. If V_{IN} varies over a wide range, the circuit shown in Figure 28 can be used to generate the required voltage.



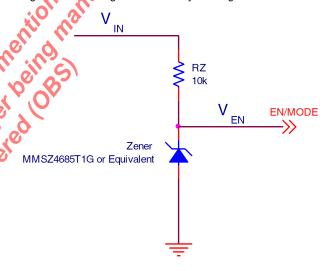


Figure 28: Selecting DCM/CCM by Deriving EN/MODE from V_{IN}

Programming the On-Time

The on-time Ton is programmed via resistor Ron according to following equation:

$$R_{oN} = \frac{V_{IN} \times [T_{oN} - (2.5 \times 10^{-8})]}{3 \times 10^{-10}}$$

T_{ON} is calculated from:

$$T_{ON} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN} \times f \times Eff.}$$

where:

f is the desired switching frequency at nominal IOUT Eff. is the converter efficiency corresponding to nominal **I**OUT

Substituting for T_{ON} in the first equation we get:

$$R_{ON} = \frac{\left(\frac{V_{OUT}}{f \times Eff.}\right) - [(2.5 \times 10^{-8}) \times V_{IN}]}{(3 \times 10^{-10})}$$

Over-Current Protection (OCP)

If the load current exceeds the programmed over-current IOCP for four consecutive switching cycles, then the regulator enters the hiccup mode of operation. In hiccup mode, the MOSFET gates are turned off for 110ms (hiccup timeout). Following the hiccup timeout, a soft-start is attempted. If OCP persists, the hiccup timeout will repeat. The regulator will remain in hiccup mode until load current is reduced below the programmed IOCP. In order to program overcurrent protection, use the following equation:

$$R_{ILIM} = \frac{(I_{OCP} \times R_{DSON}) + 8mV}{I_{LIM}}$$

where:

R_{LIM} is resistor value for programming I_{OCP}

I_{OCP} is the over-current value to be programmed

 $R_{DSON} = 4.6 m\Omega$ (maximum specification)

8mV is the OCP comparator offset

ILIM is the internal current that generates the necessary OCP comparator threshold (use 45µA)

Note that I_{LIM} has a positive temperature coefficient of 0.4%/°C. This is meant to approximately match and compensate for positive temperature. compensate for positive temperature coefficient of the synchronous FET.

The above equation is for worst-case analysis and safeguards against premature OCP. The actual value of IOCP, for a given RLIM, will be higher than that predicted by the above equation. Typical IOCP versus Rem is shown in Figure 16.

Short-Circuit Protection (SCR)

If the output voltage drops below 60% of its programmed value, the regulator will enter hiccup mode. Hiccup mode will persist until the short-circuit is removed. The SCP circuit becomes active after PGOOD asserts high.

Over-Temperature Protection (OTP)

OTP triggers at a nominal controller temperature of 150°C. The gates of the switching FET and the synchronous FET are turned off. When die temperature cools down to 135°C, soft-start is initiated and operation resumes.

Programming the Output Voltage

Use an external voltage divider as shown in Figure 1 to program the output voltage Vout.

$$R1 = R2 \times \left(\frac{V_{OUT}}{0.6} - 1\right)$$

The recommended value for R2 is $2k\Omega$.

Programming the Soft-start

Place a capacitor Css between the SS and GND pins to program the soft-start. In order to program a soft-start time of T_{SS}, calculate the required capacitance C_{SS} from the following equation.

$$C_{SS} = T_{SS} \times \frac{10uA}{0.6V}$$

Feed-Forward Capacitor CFF

A feed forward capacitor CFF may be necessary, depending on the Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR) of Cout. If only ceramic output capacitors are used, then a CFF is necessary. Calculate C_{FF} from:

$$C_{FF} = \frac{1}{2 x \pi x R1 x 7 x f_{IC}}$$

f_{LC} is the frequency of the output filter double pole f_{LC} must be less than 15kHz when using ceramic C_{OUT}. If necessary, increase Cout and / or L in order to meet this constraint.

> When using capacitors with higher ESR, such as the Panasonic TPE series, a CFF is not required provided following conditions are met:

- The frequency of the output LC double pole fLC should be less than 10kHz
- The frequency of ESR zero fzero, esr should be at least five times larger than fuc

Note that if fzero, esr is less than 5 x flc, then it is recommended to set the fLC at less than 2kHz. CFF is still not required.

Feed-Forward Resistor Resistor

Poor PCB layout and / or extremely fast switching FETs can cause switching noise at the output and may couple to the FB pin via CFF. Excessive noise at FB will cause poor load regulation. To solve this problem, place a resistor RFF in series with C_{FF}. An R_{FF} value up to 2% of R1 is acceptable.

Maximum Allowable Voltage Ripple at FB Pin

Note that the steady-state voltage ripple at the feedback pin $(V_{FB,RIPPLE})$ must not exceed 50mV in order for the controller to function correctly. If $V_{FB,RIPPLE}$ is larger than 50mV, then C_{OUT} should be increased as necessary in order to keep the $V_{FB,RIPPLE}$ below 50mV.

Thermal Design

Proper thermal design is critical in controlling device temperatures and in achieving robust designs. There are a number of factors that affect the thermal performance. One key factor is the temperature rise of the devices in the package, which is a function of the thermal resistances of the devices inside the package and the power being dissipated.

The thermal resistance of the XR76115 is specified in the "Operating Ratings" section of this datasheet. The JEDEC θ_{JA} thermal resistance provided is based on tests that comply with the JESD51-2A "Integrated Circuit Thermal Test Method Environmental Conditions — Natural Convection" standard. JESD51-xx are a group of standards whose intent is to provide comparative data based on a standard test condition which includes a defined board construction. Since the actual board design in the final application will be different from the board defined in the standard, the thermal resistances in the final design may be different from those shown.

The package thermal derating curves for the XR76115 are shown in Figures 25 and 26. These correspond to input voltage of 12V and 5V respectively.

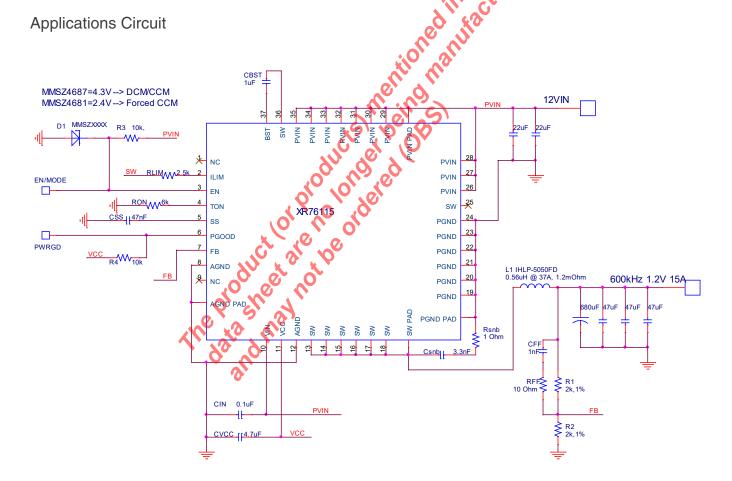
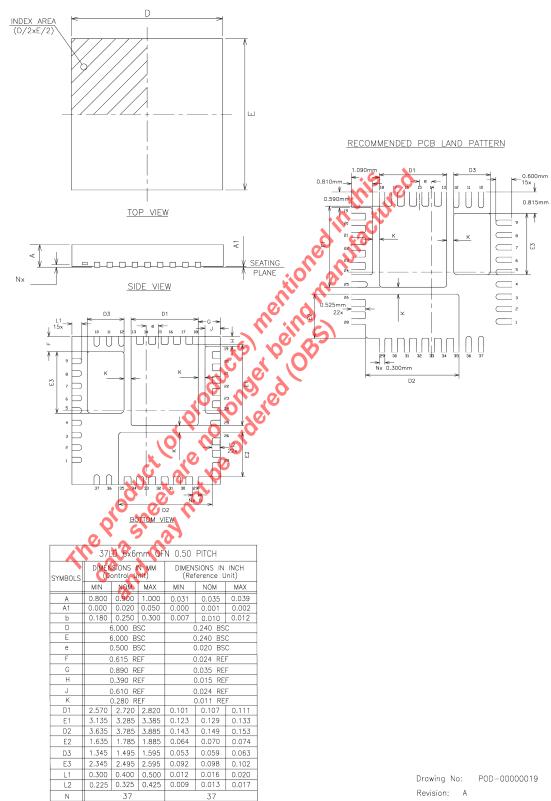


Figure 29: XR76115 Application Circuit Schematic

Mechanical Dimensions



Revision History

Revision	Date	Description					
1A	March 2014	Initial release: ECN 1413-14 03-26-2014					
1B	August 2015	Changed "On-Time 2" specification to: Min=170ns, Typ=200ns, Max= 230ns Changed "On-Time 3" specification to: Min=365ns, Typ=430ns, Max= 495ns Changed "f corresponding to On-Time 2" specification to: Min=362 kHz, Typ=417 kHz, Max= 490 kHz removed "f corresponding to On-Time 2" specifications for VOUT=3.3V, removed Diode Emulation Mode write up, modified Functional Block Diagram, modified Feed-Forward Capacitor write up, modified Programming the On-Time write up; added "Selecting the Forced CCM Mode", "Selecting the DCM/CCM Mode", "Feed-Forward Resistor", "Maximum Allowable Voltage Ripple at FB Pin" sections					
1C	June 2018	Updated to MaxLinear logo. Updated format and Ordering Information table.					
1D	10/18/19	Correct block diagram by changing the input gate into the Hiccup Mode from an AND gate to an OR gate. Update ordering information.					
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