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# **LM22673/-Q1 42 V, 3 A SIMPLE SWITCHER® , Step-Down Voltage Regulator with Features**

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- <span id="page-0-4"></span>LM22673-Q1 is an Automotive Grade Product limiting to protect against accidental overloads.
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- <span id="page-0-0"></span>• Conversions from Standard 24 V, 12 V and 5 V **PART NUMBER PACKAGE BODY SIZE (NOM)**

## <span id="page-0-1"></span>**1 Features 3 Description**

Wide Input Voltage Range: 4.5 V to 42 V The LM22673 switching regulator provides all of the functions necessary to implement an efficient high Internally Compensated Voltage Mode Control voltage step-down (buck) regulator using a minimum<br>
Stable with Low ESR Ceramic Capacitors of external components. This easy to use requlator of external components. This easy to use regulator 120 mΩ N-Channel MOSFET PFM Package incorporates a 42 V N-channel MOSFET switch<br>100 mΩ N Channel MOSEET SO PewerPAD capable of providing up to 3 A of load current. 100 mΩ N-Channel MOSFET SO PowerPAD Excellent line and load regulation along with high<br>
Package effections: Excellent line and load regulation along with high<br>
Output Voltage Options: effection of the structure offers sh • Output Voltage Options: offers short minimum on-time, allowing the widest ratio between input and output voltages. Internal loop -5.0 (Output Fixed to 5 V) compensation means that the user is free from the tedious task of calculating the loop compensation • ±1.5% Feedback Reference Accuracy components. Fixed 5 V output and adjustable output • Switching Frequency of 500 kHz<br>voltage options are available. A switching frequency<br>of 500 kHz allows for small external components and of 500 kHz allows for small external components and Temperature Range and the second transient response. An adjustable soft-start Adjustable Soft-Start **Figure 1** Feature is provided through the selection of a single external capacitor. In addition, the switch current limit Adjustable Current Limit<br>
can be programmed with a single external resistor,<br>
allowing solution optimization The LM22673 device allowing solution optimization. The LM22673 device Fully Webench<sup>®</sup> Enabled **Enabled Enabled** also has built-in thermal shutdown, and current

that is AEC-Q100 Grade 1 Qualified (–40°C to The LM22673 device is a member of Texas +125°C Junction Temperature) The Superstanding the Unstruments' SIMPLE SWITCHER<sup>®</sup> family. The • SO PowerPAD (Exposed Pad) SIMPLE SWITCHER<sup>®</sup> concept provides for an easy to use complete design using a minimum number of external components and the TI WEBENCH<sup>®</sup> design<br>external components and the TI WEBENCH<sup>®</sup> design tool. TI's WEBENCH® tool includes features such as **2 Applications** external component calculation, electrical simulation, thermal simulation, and Build-It boards for easy • Industrial Control design-in.

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(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.

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## <span id="page-3-0"></span>**6 Specifications**

### <span id="page-3-1"></span>**6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings**

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)



(1) The absolute maximum specification of the 'SW to GND' applies to dc voltage. An extended negative voltage limit of –10 V applies to a pulse of up to 50 ns.

### <span id="page-3-2"></span>**6.2 Handling Ratings**



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

### <span id="page-3-3"></span>**6.3 Handling Ratings: LM22673-Q1**



(1) AEC Q100-002 indicates HBM stressing is done in accordance with the ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 specification.

### <span id="page-3-4"></span>**6.4 Recommended Operating Conditions**



### <span id="page-3-5"></span>**6.5 Thermal Information**



(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report ([SPRA953\)](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/spra953).

### <span id="page-4-0"></span>**6.6 Electrical Characteristics**

Typical values represent the most likely parametric norm at  $T_A = T_J = 25^{\circ}$ C, and are provided for reference purposes only. Unless otherwise specified:  $V_{IN}$  = 12 V.



(1) MIN and MAX limits are 100% production tested at 25°C. Limits over the operating temperature range are ensured through correlation using Statistical Quality Control (SQC) methods. Limits are used to calculate TI's Average Outgoing Quality Level (AOQL).

(2) Typical values represent most likely parametric norms at the conditions specified and are not ensured.

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## **6.7 Typical Characteristics**

 $V_{in}$  = 12 V, T<sub>J</sub> = 25°C (unless otherwise specified)

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### **Typical Characteristics (continued)**





## <span id="page-6-0"></span>**7 Detailed Description**

### <span id="page-6-1"></span>**7.1 Overview**

The LM22673 device incorporates a voltage mode constant frequency PWM architecture. In addition, input voltage feedforward is used to stabilize the loop gain against variations in input voltage. This allows the loop compensation to be optimized for transient performance. The power MOSFET, in conjunction with the diode, produce a rectangular waveform at the switch pin, that swings from about zero volts to VIN. The inductor and output capacitor average this waveform to become the regulator output voltage. By adjusting the duty cycle of this waveform, the output voltage can be controlled. The error amplifier compares the output voltage with the internal reference and adjusts the duty cycle to regulate the output at the desired value.

The internal loop compensation of the -ADJ option is optimized for outputs of 5V and below. If an output voltage of 5V or greater is required, the -5.0 option can be used with an external voltage divider. The minimum output voltage is equal to the reference voltage, that is, 1.285 V (typ).

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### <span id="page-7-0"></span>**7.2 Functional Block Diagram**



### <span id="page-7-1"></span>**7.3 Feature Description**

### **7.3.1 UVLO**

The LM22673 also incorporates an input undervoltage lock-out (UVLO) feature. This prevents the regulator from turning on when the input voltage is not great enough to properly bias the internal circuitry. The rising threshold is 4.3 V (typ) while the falling threshold is 3.9 V (typ).

### <span id="page-7-2"></span>**7.3.2 Soft-Start**

The soft-start feature allows the regulator to gradually reach steady-state operation, thus reducing start-up stresses. The internal soft-start feature brings the output voltage up in about 500 µs. This time can be extended by using an external capacitor connected to the SS pin. Values in the range of 100 nF to 1 µF are recommended. The approximate soft-start time can be estimated from [Equation](#page-7-3) 1.

$$
T_{SS} \approx 26 \times 10^3 \cdot C_{SS}
$$

<span id="page-7-3"></span>Soft-start is reset any time the part is shut down or a thermal overload event occurs.

(1)



### **Feature Description (continued)**

### **7.3.3 Boot-Strap Supply**

The LM22673 incorporates a floating high-side gate driver to control the power MOSFET. The supply for this driver is the external boot-strap capacitor connected between the BOOT pin and SW. A good quality 10 nF ceramic capacitor must be connected to these pins with short, wide PCB traces. One reason the regulator imposes a minimum off-time is to ensure that this capacitor recharges every switching cycle. A minimum load of about 5 mA is required to fully recharge the boot-strap capacitor in the minimum off-time. Some of this load can be provided by the output voltage divider, if used.

### <span id="page-8-3"></span>**7.3.4 Internal Compensation**

The LM22673 has internal loop compensation designed to provide a stable regulator over a wide range of external power stage components. The internal compensation of the -ADJ option is optimized for output voltages below 5 V. If an output voltage of 5 V or greater is needed, the -5.0 option with an external resistor divider can be used.

Ensuring stability of a design with a specific power stage (inductor and output capacitor) can be tricky. The LM22673 stability can be verified using the [WEBENCH](http://www.ti.com/lsds/ti/analog/webench/overview.page) Designer online circuit simulation tool. A quick start spreadsheet can also be downloaded from the online product folder.

The complete transfer function for the regulator loop is found by combining the compensation and power stage transfer functions. The LM22673 has internal type III loop compensation, as detailed in [Figure](#page-8-0) 10. This is the approximate "straight line" function from the FB pin to the input of the PWM modulator. The power stage transfer function consists of a dc gain and a second order pole created by the inductor and output capacitor(s). Due to the input voltage feedforward employed in the LM22673, the power stage dc gain is fixed at 20 dB. The second order pole is characterized by its resonant frequency and its quality factor (Q). For a first pass design, the product of inductance and output capacitance should conform to [Equation](#page-8-1) 2.

$$
L \cdot C_{\text{out}} \approx 1.1 \times 10^{-9} \tag{2}
$$

<span id="page-8-2"></span><span id="page-8-1"></span>Alternatively, this pole should be placed between 1.5 kHz and 15 kHz and is given by [Equation](#page-8-2) 3.

$$
F_{\circ} = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot \sqrt{L \cdot C_{\text{out}}}}
$$
\n(3)

The Q factor depends on the parasitic resistance of the power stage components and is not typically in the control of the designer. Of course, loop compensation is only one consideration when selecting power stage components (see the *Applications and [Implementation](#page-12-0)* section for more details).



**Figure 10. Compensator Gain**

<span id="page-8-0"></span>In general, hand calculations or simulations can only aid in selecting good power stage components. Good design practice dictates that load and line transient testing should be done to verify the stability of the application. Also, Bode plot measurements should be made to determine stability margins. *AN-1889 How to Measure the Loop Transfer Function of Power Supplies* ([SNVA364](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SNVA364)) shows how to perform a loop transfer function measurement with only an oscilloscope and function generator.

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### <span id="page-9-0"></span>**7.4 Device Functional Modes**

### **7.4.1 Current Limit**

The LM22673 has current limiting to prevent the switch current from exceeding safe values during an accidental overload on the output. This peak current limit is found in the *Electrical [Characteristics](#page-4-0)* table under the heading of  $I_{CL}$ . The maximum load current that can be provided, before current limit is reached, is determined from [Equation](#page-9-1) 4.

$$
I_{\text{out}}|_{\text{max}} \approx I_{\text{CL}} - \frac{(V_{\text{in}} - V_{\text{out}})}{2 \cdot L \cdot F_{\text{out}}} \cdot \frac{V_{\text{out}}}{V_{\text{in}}}
$$

<span id="page-9-1"></span>Where:

L is the value of the power inductor.

When the LM22673 enters current limit, the output voltage will drop and the peak inductor current will be fixed at  $I_{\text{Cl}}$  at the end of each cycle. The switching frequency will remain constant while the duty cycle drops. The load current will not remain constant, but will depend on the severity of the overload and the output voltage.

For very severe overloads ("short-circuit"), the regulator changes to a low frequency current foldback mode of operation. The frequency foldback is about 1/5 of the nominal switching frequency. This will occur when the current limit trips before the minimum on-time has elapsed. This mode of operation is used to prevent inductor current "run-away", and is associated with very low output voltages when in overload. [Equation](#page-9-2) 5 can be used to determine what level of output voltage will cause the part to change to low frequency current foldback.

$$
V_{x} \leq V_{in} \cdot F_{sw} \cdot T_{on} \cdot 1.8
$$

<span id="page-9-2"></span>Where:

 $F_{sw}$  is the normal switching frequency.

V<sub>in</sub> is the maximum for the application.

<span id="page-9-3"></span>If the overload drives the output voltage to less than or equal to  $\mathsf{V}_x$ , the part will enter current foldback mode. If a given application can drive the output voltage to  $\leq$  V<sub>x</sub>, during an overload, then a second criterion must be checked. [Equation](#page-9-3) 6 gives the maximum input voltage, when in this mode, before damage occurs.

$$
V_{in} \leq \frac{V_{sc} + 0.4}{T_{on} \cdot F_{sw} \cdot 0.36}
$$

Where:

 $V_{\rm sc}$  is the value of output voltage during the overload.

 $f_{sw}$  is the normal switching frequency.

### **NOTE**

If the input voltage should exceed this value, while in foldback mode, the regulator and/or the diode may be damaged.

It is important to note that the voltages in [Equation](#page-9-1) 4 through [Equation](#page-9-3) 6 are measured at the inductor. Normal trace and wiring resistance will cause the voltage at the inductor to be higher than that at a remote load. Therefore, even if the load is shorted with zero volts across its terminals, the inductor will still see a finite voltage. It is this value that should be used for  $V_x$  and  $V_{sc}$  in the calculations. In order to return from foldback mode, the load must be reduced to a value much lower than that required to initiate foldback. This load "hysteresis" is a normal aspect of any type of current limit foldback associated with voltage regulators.

The safe operating area, when in short circuit mode, is shown in [Figure](#page-10-0) 11. Operating points below and to the right of the curve represent safe operation.

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### **Device Functional Modes (continued)**



**Figure 11. SOA**

### <span id="page-10-0"></span>**7.4.2 Current-Limit Adjustment**

<span id="page-10-1"></span>A key feature of the LM22673 is the ability to adjust the peak switch current limit. This can be useful when the full current capability of the regulator is not required for a given application. A smaller current limit may allow the use of power components with lower current ratings, thus saving space and reducing cost. A single resistor between the IADJ pin and ground controls the current limit in accordance with [Figure](#page-10-1) 12. The current limit mode is set during start-up of the regulator. When  $V_{IN}$  is applied, a weak pullup is connected to the IADJ pin and, after approximately 100 µs, the voltage on the pin is checked against a threshold of about 0.8V. With the IADJ pin open, the voltage floats above this threshold, and the current limit is set to the default value of 4.2A (typ). With a resistor present, an internal reference holds the pin voltage at 0.8 V; the resulting current sets the current limit. The accuracy of the adjusted current limit will be slightly worse than that of the default value, that is, +35% / –25% is to be expected. Resistor values should not exceed the limits shown in [Figure](#page-10-1) 12.



**Figure 12. Current Limit vs IADJ Resistor**

### **7.4.3 Thermal Protection**

Internal thermal shutdown circuitry protects the LM22673 should the maximum junction temperature be exceeded. This protection is activated at about 150°C, with the result that the regulator will shutdown until the temperature drops below about 135°C.

## **Device Functional Modes (continued)**

### **7.4.4 Duty-Cycle Limits**

Ideally the regulator would control the duty cycle over the full range of zero to one. However due to inherent delays in the circuitry, there are limits on both the maximum and minimum duty cycles that can be reliably controlled. This in turn places limits on the maximum and minimum input and output voltages that can be converted by the LM22673. A minimum on-time is imposed by the regulator in order to correctly measure the switch current during a current limit event. A minimum off-time is imposed in order the re-charge the bootstrap capacitor. [Equation](#page-11-0) 7 can be used to determine the approximate maximum input voltage for a given output voltage.

$$
V_{in}|_{max} \approx \frac{V_{out} + 0.4}{T_{on} \cdot F_{sw} \cdot 1.8}
$$

<span id="page-11-0"></span>Where:

 $F_{sw}$  is the switching frequency.

 $T<sub>ON</sub>$  is the minimum on-time.

Both parameters are found in the *Electrical [Characteristics](#page-4-0)* table.

Nominal values should be used. The worst case is lowest output voltage. If this input voltage is exceeded, the regulator will skip cycles, effectively lowering the switching frequency. The consequences of this are higher output voltage ripple and a degradation of the output voltage accuracy.

<span id="page-11-1"></span>The second limitation is the maximum duty cycle before the output voltage will "dropout" of regulation. [Equation](#page-11-1) 8 can be used to approximate the minimum input voltage before dropout occurs.

$$
V_{in}|_{min} \approx \frac{V_{out} + 0.4 + I_{out} \cdot R_{L}}{1 - T_{off} \cdot F_{sw} \cdot 1.8} + I_{out} \cdot R_{dson}
$$
\n(8)

Where:

The values of  $T<sub>OFF</sub>$  and  $R<sub>DS(ON)</sub>$  are found in the *Electrical [Characteristics](#page-4-0)* table.

The worst case here is largest load. In this equation,  $R_L$  is the dc inductor resistance. Of course, the lowest input voltage to the regulator must not be less than 4.5 V (typ).

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### <span id="page-12-0"></span>**8 Applications and Implementation**

### **NOTE**

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes. Customers should validate and test their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

### <span id="page-12-1"></span>**8.1 Application Information**

The LM22673 device is a step down dc-to-dc regulator. It is typically used to convert a higher dc voltage to a lower dc voltage with a maximum output current of 3 A. *Detailed Design [Procedure](#page-13-1)* can be used to select components for the LM22673 device. Alternately, the WEBENCH® software may be used to generate complete designs. When generating a design, the WEBENCH® software utilizes iterative design procedure and accesses comprehensive databases of components. Go to [WEBENCH](http://www.ti.com/lsds/ti/analog/webench/overview.page) Designer for more details. This section presents a simplified discussion of the design process.

### **8.1.1 Output Voltage Divider Selection**

<span id="page-12-3"></span>For output voltages between about 1.285 V and 5 V, the -ADJ option should be used, with an appropriate voltage divider as shown in [Figure](#page-12-2) 13. [Equation](#page-12-3) 9 can be used to calculate the resistor values of this divider.

$$
R_{\text{FBT}} = \left[\frac{V_{\text{out}}}{1.285} - 1\right] \cdot R_{\text{FBB}} \tag{9}
$$

A good value for R<sub>FBB</sub> is 1 kΩ. This will help to provide some of the minimum load current requirement and reduce susceptibility to noise pick-up. The top of  $R_{FRT}$  should be connected directly to the output capacitor or to the load for remote sensing. If the divider is connected to the load, a local high-frequency bypass should be provided at that location.

For output voltages of 5 V, the -5.0 option should be used. In this case no divider is needed and the FB pin is connected to the output. The approximate values of the internal voltage divider are as follows: 7.38 kΩ from the FB pin to the input of the error amplifier and 2.55 k $\Omega$  from there to ground.

Both the -ADJ and -5.0 options can be used for output voltages greater than 5 V, by using the correct output divider. As mentioned in the *Internal [Compensation](#page-8-3)* section, the -5.0 option is optimized for output voltages of 5 V. However, for output voltages greater than 5 V, this option may provide better loop bandwidth than the -ADJ option, in some applications. If the  $-5.0$  option is to be used at output voltages greater than 5 V, [Equation](#page-12-4) 10 should be used to determine the resistor values in the output divider.

$$
R_{\text{FBT}} = \frac{R_{\text{FBB}} \cdot (V_{\text{out}} - 5)}{5 + R_{\text{FBB}} \cdot 5 \times 10^{-4}}
$$

<span id="page-12-4"></span>A value of  $R_{FBB}$  of about 1 kΩ is a good first choice.



**Figure 13. Resistive Feedback Divider**

<span id="page-12-2"></span>A maximum value of 10 kΩ is recommended for the sum of R<sub>FBB</sub> and R<sub>FBT</sub> to maintain good output voltage accuracy for the -ADJ option. A maximum of 2 kΩ is recommended for the -5.0 option. For the -5.0 option, the total internal divider resistance is typically 9.93 kΩ.

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### **Application Information (continued)**

In all cases the output voltage divider should be placed as close as possible to the FB pin of the LM22673, because this is a high impedance input and is susceptible to noise pick-up.

### **8.1.2 Power Diode**

A Schottky-type power diode is required for all LM22673 applications. Ultra-fast diodes are not recommended and may result in damage to the IC due to reverse recovery current transients. The near ideal reverse recovery characteristics and low forward voltage drop of Schottky diodes are particularly important for high input voltage and low output voltage applications common to the LM22673. The reverse breakdown rating of the diode should be selected for the maximum  $V_{IN}$ , plus some safety margin. A good rule of thumb is to select a diode with a reverse voltage rating of 1.3 times the maximum input voltage.

Select a diode with an average current rating at least equal to the maximum load current that will be seen in the application.

### <span id="page-13-0"></span>**8.2 Typical Application**

### **8.2.1 Typical Buck Regulator Application**

[Figure](#page-13-2) 14 shows an example of converting an input voltage range of 5.5 V to 42 V, to an output of 3.3 V at 3 A.



**Figure 14. Typical Buck Regulator Application**

### <span id="page-13-2"></span>*8.2.1.1 Design Requirements*



### <span id="page-13-1"></span>*8.2.1.2 Detailed Design Procedure*

### **8.2.1.2.1 External Components**

The following guidelines should be used when designing a step-down (buck) converter with the LM22673.



### **8.2.1.2.2 Inductor**

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The inductor value is determined based on the load current, ripple current, and the minimum and maximum input voltages. To keep the application in continuous conduction mode (CCM), the maximum ripple current,  $I_{RIPPIE}$ , should be less than twice the minimum load current.

<span id="page-14-0"></span>The general rule of keeping the inductor current peak-to-peak ripple around 30% of the nominal output current is a good compromise between excessive output voltage ripple and excessive component size and cost. Using this value of ripple current, the value of inductor, L, is calculated using [Equation](#page-14-0) 11.

$$
L = \frac{(\mathbf{V}_{in} - \mathbf{V}_{out}) \cdot \mathbf{V}_{out}}{0.3 \cdot I_{out} \cdot F_{sw} \cdot V_{in}}
$$
(11)

Where:

 $F_{sw}$  is the switching frequency.

V<sub>in</sub> should be taken at its maximum value, for the given application.

The formula in [Equation](#page-14-0) 11 provides a guide to select the value of the inductor L; the nearest standard value will then be used in the circuit.

<span id="page-14-1"></span>Once the inductor is selected, the actual ripple current can be determined by [Equation](#page-14-1) 12.

$$
\Delta I = \frac{(\mathbf{V}_{in} - \mathbf{V}_{out}) \cdot \mathbf{V}_{out}}{L \cdot F_{sw} \cdot V_{in}}
$$

Increasing the inductance will generally slow down the transient response but reduce the output voltage ripple. Reducing the inductance will generally improve the transient response but increase the output voltage ripple.

The inductor must be rated for the peak current,  $I_{PK}$ , in a given application, to prevent saturation. During normal loading conditions, the peak current is equal to the load current plus 1/2 of the inductor ripple current.

During an overload condition, as well as during certain load transients, the controller may trip current limit. In this case the peak inductor current is given by I<sub>CL</sub>, found in the *Electrical [Characteristics](#page-4-0)* table. Good design practice requires that the inductor rating be adequate for this overload condition.

### **NOTE**

If the inductor is not rated for the maximum expected current, it can saturate resulting in damage to the LM22673 and/or the power diode.

This consideration highlights the value of the current limit adjust feature of the LM22673.

### **8.2.1.2.3 Input Capacitor**

The input capacitor selection is based on both input voltage ripple and RMS current. Good quality input capacitors are necessary to limit the ripple voltage at the VIN pin while supplying most of the regulator current during switch on-time. Low ESR ceramic capacitors are preferred. Larger values of input capacitance are desirable to reduce voltage ripple and noise on the input supply. This noise may find its way into other circuitry, sharing the same input supply, unless adequate bypassing is provided. A very approximate formula for determining the input voltage ripple is shown in [Equation](#page-14-2) 13.

$$
V_{ri} \approx \frac{I_{out}}{4 \cdot F_{sw} \cdot C_{in}} \tag{13}
$$

<span id="page-14-2"></span>Where:

 $V_{ri}$  is the peak-to-peak ripple voltage at the switching frequency.

<span id="page-14-3"></span>Another concern is the RMS current passing through this capacitor. [Equation](#page-14-3) 14 gives an approximation to this current.

$$
I_{\rm rms} \approx \frac{I_{\rm out}}{2} \tag{14}
$$

The capacitor must be rated for at least this level of RMS current at the switching frequency.

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All ceramic capacitors have large voltage coefficients, in addition to normal tolerances and temperature coefficients. To help mitigate these effects, multiple capacitors can be used in parallel to bring the minimum capacitance up to the desired value. This may also help with RMS current constraints by sharing the current among several capacitors. Many times it is desirable to use an electrolytic capacitor on the input, in parallel with the ceramics. The moderate ESR of this capacitor can help to damp any ringing on the input supply caused by long power leads. This method can also help to reduce voltage spikes that may exceed the maximum input voltage rating of the LM22673.

It is good practice to include a high frequency bypass capacitor as close as possible to the LM22673. This small case size, low ESR, ceramic capacitor should be connected directly to the VIN and GND pins with the shortest possible PCB traces. Values in the range of 0.47 µF to 1 µF are appropriate. This capacitor helps to provide a low impedance supply to sensitive internal circuitry. It also helps to suppress any fast noise spikes on the input supply that may lead to increased EMI.

### **8.2.1.2.4 Output Capacitor**

The output capacitor is responsible for filtering the output voltage and supplying load current during transients. Capacitor selection depends on application conditions as well as ripple and transient requirements. Best performance is achieved with a parallel combination of ceramic capacitors and a low ESR SP™ or POSCAP™ type. Very low ESR capacitors such as ceramics reduce the output ripple and noise spikes, while higher value electrolytics or polymers provide large bulk capacitance to supply transients. Assuming very low ESR, [Equation](#page-15-0) 15 gives an approximation to the output voltage ripple.

$$
V_{\text{ro}} \approx \frac{(V_{\text{in}} - V_{\text{out}}) \cdot V_{\text{out}}}{8 \cdot V_{\text{in}}} \cdot \frac{1}{F_{\text{sw}}^2 \cdot L \cdot C_{\text{out}}}
$$
(15)

<span id="page-15-0"></span>Typically, a total value of 100 µF, or greater, is recommended for output capacitance.

In applications with  $V_{out}$  less than 3.3 V, it is critical that low ESR output capacitors are selected. This will limit potential output voltage overshoots as the input voltage falls below the device normal operating range.

### **8.2.1.2.5 Boot-Strap Capacitor**

The bootstrap capacitor between the BOOT pin and the SW pin supplies the gate current to turn on the Nchannel MOSFET. The recommended value of this capacitor is 10 nF and should be a good quality, low ESR ceramic capacitor. In some cases it may be desirable to slow down the turn-on of the internal power MOSFET, in order to reduce EMI. This can be done by placing a small resistor in series with the  $C_{boot}$  capacitor. Resistors in the range of 10  $\Omega$  to 50  $\Omega$  can be used. This technique should only be used when absolutely necessary, because it will increase switching losses and thereby reduce efficiency.

### *8.2.1.3 Application Curve*



**Figure 15. Efficiency vs**  $I_{OUT}$  **and**  $V_{IN}$  $V_{\text{OUT}} = 3.3 V$ 



### <span id="page-16-0"></span>**9 Power Supply Recommendations**

The LM22673 device is designed to operate from an input voltage supply range between 4.5 V and 42 V. This input supply should be well regulated and able to withstand maximum input current and maintain a stable voltage. The resistance of the input supply rail should be low enough that an input current transient does not cause a high enough drop at the LM22673 supply voltage that can cause a false UVLO fault triggering and system reset. If the input supply is located more than a few inches from the LM22673, additional bulk capacitance may be required in addition to the ceramic bypass capacitors. The amount of bulk capacitance is not critical, but a 47 μF or 100 μF electrolytic capacitor is a typical choice.

### <span id="page-16-1"></span>**10 Layout**

### <span id="page-16-2"></span>**10.1 Layout Guidelines**

Board layout is critical for the proper operation of switching power supplies. First, the ground plane area must be sufficient for thermal dissipation purposes. Second, appropriate guidelines must be followed to reduce the effects of switching noise. Switch mode converters are very fast switching devices. In such cases, the rapid increase of input current combined with the parasitic trace inductance generates unwanted L di/dt noise spikes. The magnitude of this noise tends to increase as the output current increases. This noise may turn into electromagnetic interference (EMI) and can also cause problems in device performance. Therefore, care must be taken in layout to minimize the effect of this switching noise.

The most important layout rule is to keep the ac current loops as small as possible. [Figure](#page-16-3) 16 shows the current flow in a buck converter. The top schematic shows a dotted line which represents the current flow during the FET switch on-state. The middle schematic shows the current flow during the FET switch off-state.

The bottom schematic shows the currents referred to as ac currents. These ac currents are the most critical because they are changing in a very short time period. The dotted lines of the bottom schematic are the traces to keep as short and wide as possible. This will also yield a small loop area reducing the loop inductance. To avoid functional problems due to layout, review the PCB layout example. Best results are achieved if the placement of the LM22673, the bypass capacitor, R<sub>FFB</sub>, R<sub>FBT</sub>, the Schottky diode and the inductor are placed as shown in the example. In the layout shown, R1 =  $R_{\tt FBB}$  and R2 =  $R_{\tt FBT}$ . It is also recommended to use 2 oz copper boards or heavier to help thermal dissipation and to reduce the parasitic inductances of board traces. See *AN-1229 SIMPLE SWITCHER ® PCB Layout Guidelines* [\(SNVA054](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SNVA054)) for more information.



<span id="page-16-3"></span>**Figure 16. Current Flow in a Buck Application**

**Figure 17. PCB Layout Example for PFM Package**



**Figure 18. PCB Layout Example for SO PowerPAD Package**



<span id="page-17-0"></span>





### <span id="page-18-0"></span>**10.3 Thermal Considerations**

The components with the highest power dissipation are the power diode and the power MOSFET internal to the LM22673 regulator. The easiest method to determine the power dissipation within the LM22673 is to measure the total conversion losses then subtract the power losses in the diode and inductor. The total conversion loss is the difference between the input power and the output power. An approximation for the power diode loss is shown in [Equation](#page-18-1) 16.

$$
P_{D} = I_{out} \cdot V_{D} \cdot \left[1 - \frac{V_{out}}{V_{in}}\right]
$$
 (16)

<span id="page-18-1"></span>Where:

 $V_D$  is the diode voltage drop.

<span id="page-18-2"></span>An approximation for the inductor power is determined by [Equation](#page-18-2) 17.

$$
P_{L} = I_{out}^{2} \cdot R_{L} \cdot 1.1 \tag{17}
$$

Where:

 $R_L$  is the dc resistance of the inductor.

The 1.1 factor is an approximation for the ac losses.

The regulator has an exposed thermal pad to aid power dissipation. Adding multiple vias under the device to the ground plane will greatly reduce the regulator junction temperature. Selecting a diode with an exposed pad will also aid the power dissipation of the diode. The most significant variables that affect the power dissipation of the regulator are output current, input voltage and operating frequency. The power dissipated while operating near the maximum output current and maximum input voltage can be appreciable. The junction-to-ambient thermal resistance of the LM22673 will vary with the application. The most significant variables are the area of copper in the PC board, the number of vias under the IC exposed pad and the amount of forced air cooling provided. A large continuos ground plane on the top or bottom PCB layer will provide the most effective heat dissipation. The integrity of the solder connection from the IC exposed pad to the PC board is critical. Excessive voids will greatly diminish the thermal dissipation capacity. The junction-to-ambient thermal resistance of the LM22673 SO PowerPAD package, and the PFM package, are specified in the *Electrical [Characteristics](#page-4-0)* table. See *AN-2020 Thermal Design By Insight, Not Hindsight* [\(SNVA419](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SNVA419)) for more information.

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## <span id="page-19-0"></span>**11 Device and Documentation Support**

### <span id="page-19-1"></span>**11.1 Documentation Support**

### **11.1.1 Related Documentation**

- *AN-2020 Thermal Design By Insight, Not Hindsight* ([SNVA419\)](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SNVA419)
- *AN-1229 SIMPLE SWITCHER ® PCB Layout Guidelines* ([SNVA054\)](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SNVA054)
- *AN-1894 LM22673 Evaluation Board* ([SNVA367\)](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SNVA367)
- *AN-1889 How to Measure the Loop Transfer Function of Power Supplies* ([SNVA364\)](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SNVA364)
- *AN-1797 TO-263 THIN Package* ([SNVA328\)](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SNVA328)

### <span id="page-19-2"></span>**11.2 Related Links**

The table below lists quick access links. Categories include technical documents, support and community resources, tools and software, and quick access to sample or buy.



### **Table 1. Related Links**

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### <span id="page-19-4"></span>**11.4 Electrostatic Discharge Caution**



These devices have limited built-in ESD protection. The leads should be shorted together or the device placed in conductive foam during storage or handling to prevent electrostatic damage to the MOS gates.

### <span id="page-19-5"></span>**11.5 Glossary**

[SLYZ022](http://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/SLYZ022) — *TI Glossary*.

This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

### <span id="page-19-6"></span>**12 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information**

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.

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## **B - Alignment groove width**

### \*All dimensions are nominal





# **PACKAGE OUTLINE**

# **NDR0007A TO-263 - 2.25 mm max height**

TO-263



NOTES:

- 1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.
- 2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
- 3. Features may not exist and shape may vary per different assembly sites.
- 4. Reference JÉDEC registration TO-279B.
- 5. Under all conditions, leads must not be above Datum C



# **EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT**

# **NDR0007A TO-263 - 2.25 mm max height**

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6. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature numbers SLMA002(www.ti.com/lit/slm002) and SLMA004 (www.ti.com/lit/slma004).

7. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.



# **EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN**

# **NDR0007A TO-263 - 2.25 mm max height**

TO-263



NOTES: (continued)

8. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.

9. Board assembly site may have different recommendations for stencil design.



# **GENERIC PACKAGE VIEW**

# **DDA 8 PowerPAD TM SOIC - 1.7 mm max height**

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