

160A, 4-Phase, Single-Output Synchronous Buck Converter with Very Low DCR Inductors

DESCRIPTION

Demonstration circuit 2225A is a high efficiency, high density, 4-phase synchronous buck converter with a 4.5V to 14V input voltage range. It can supply up to 160A of load current with a 1.0V output. This demo board has two each LTC[®]3875EUJ feature-rich dual phase current mode synchronous buck controllers with very low DCR current sensing capability, on-chip drivers and remote output voltage sensing. This board is set up with 0.32m Ω DCR output inductors. The temperature compensation function offers an option for accurate current limit over a wide temperature range with DCR sensing. To shut down the converter, set the RUN pin voltage below 1V (SW1: OFF). Use JP1 jumper to select Burst Mode[®] operation, pulse skipping mode or forced continuous mode operation at light load. Switching frequency is preset at about 400kHz,

and it can be easily modified from 250kHz to 720kHz. An on-board dynamic circuit is also available for transient test.

The LTC3875 is suitable for inputs from 4.5V to 38V and outputs up to 5V. It can provide a high efficiency, high power density and versatile power solution for telecom and datacom systems, industrial and medical instruments, DC power distribution systems and computer systems. The LTC3875 is available in 40-lead 6mm $\times$ 6mm and 40-lead 5mm $\times$ 5mm QFN packages. Please see LTC3875 data sheet for more detailed information.

Design files for this circuit board are available at <http://www.linear.com/demo/DC2225A>

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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

Specifications are at $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Input Voltage Range		4.5		14	V
Output Voltage, V_{OUT}	$V_{IN} = 4.5\text{V to } 14\text{V}$, $I_{OUT} = 0\text{A to } 160\text{A}$	0.98	1.00	1.02	V
Maximum Output Current, I_{OUT}	$V_{IN} = 4.5\text{V to } 14\text{V}$, $V_{OUT} = 1.0\text{V}$		160		A
Typical Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$, $V_{OUT} = 1.0\text{V}$, $I_{OUT} = 160\text{A}$		89.3		%
Peak Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 12\text{V}$, $V_{OUT} = 1.0\text{V}$, $I_{OUT} = 100\text{A}$		90.4		%
Typical Switching Frequency			400		kHz

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QUICK START PROCEDURE

Demonstration circuit 2225A is easy to set up to evaluate the performance of the LTC3875EUJ. Refer to Figure 1 for the proper measurement equipment setup and follow the procedure below:

1. With power off, connect the input power supply to V_{IN} (4.5V to 14V) and GND (input return).
2. Connect the output load between V_{OUT} and GND (Initial load: no load).
3. Connect the DVMs to the input and output. Set default jumper position:

JP1	JP2	JP5	SW1
MODE	PHASMD1	BIAS	RUN
CCM	90°	OFF	ON

4. Turn on the input power supply and check for the proper output voltages. V_{OUT} should be $1.0V \pm 2\%$.
5. Once the proper output voltage is established, adjust the loads within the operating range and observe the output voltage regulation, ripple voltage and other parameters.

NOTE: When measuring the output or input voltage ripple, do not use the long ground lead on the oscilloscope probe. See Figure 2 for the proper scope probe technique. Short, stiff leads need to be soldered to the (+) and (-) terminals of an output capacitor. The probe's ground ring needs to touch the (-) lead and the probe tip needs to touch the (+) lead.

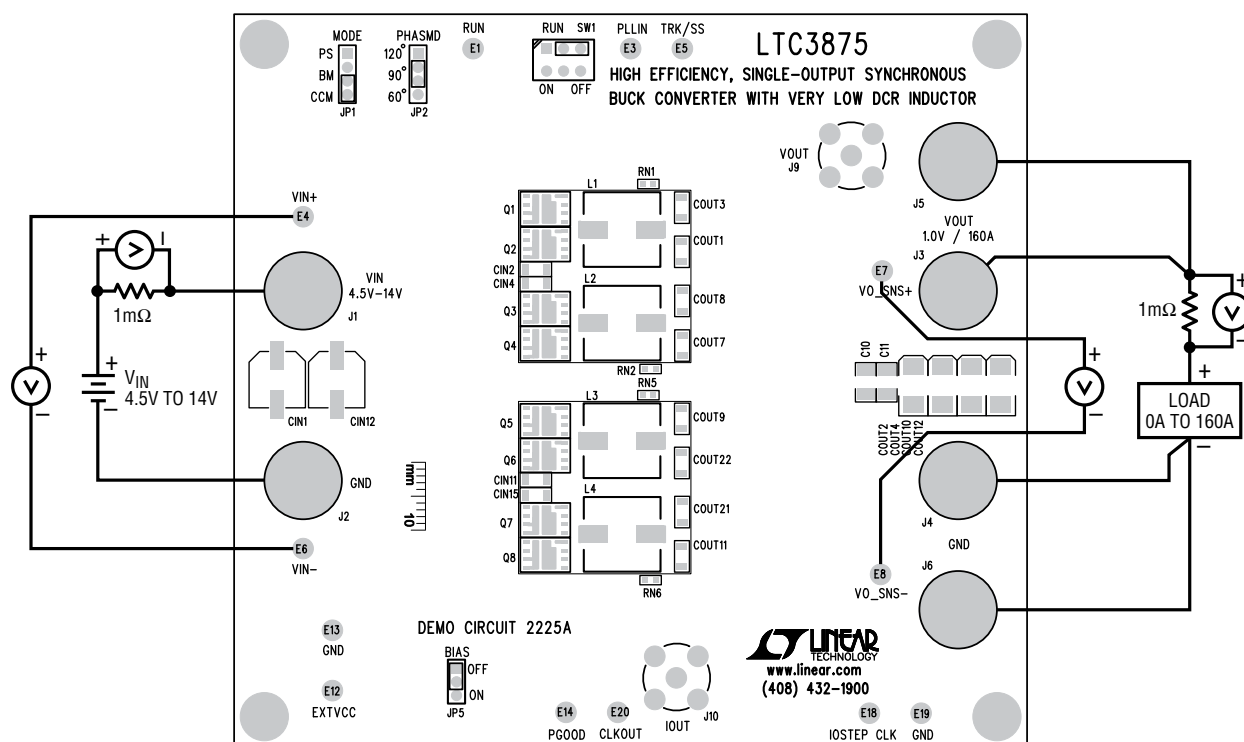


Figure 1. Proper Measurement Equipment Setup

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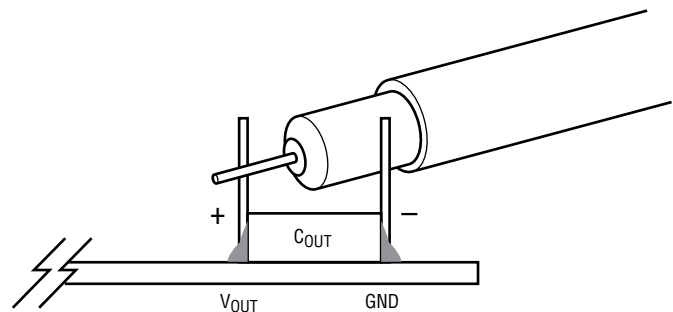


Figure 2. Measuring Output Voltage Ripple

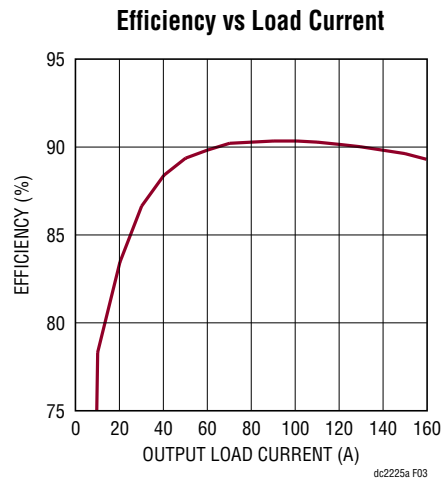


Figure 3. Efficiency vs Load Current at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.0V$, $f_{SW} = 400kHz$

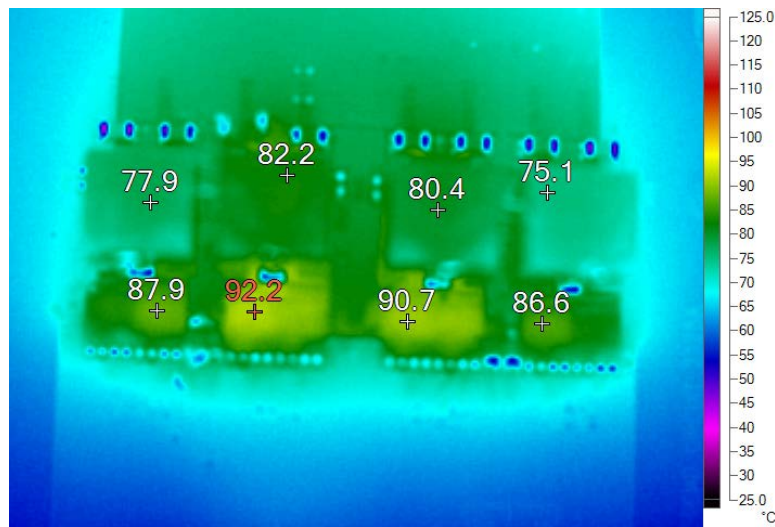


Figure 4. Thermal Performance at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.0V$, $I_{OUT} = 160A$, 200LFM Forced Airflow, $T_A = 25^\circ C$

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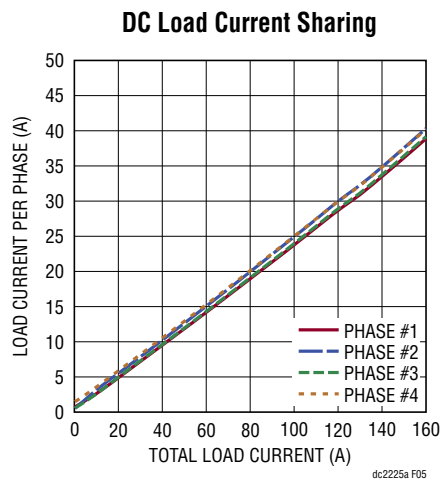


Figure 5. Current Sharing vs Load Current at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.0V$, $f_{SW} = 400kHz$

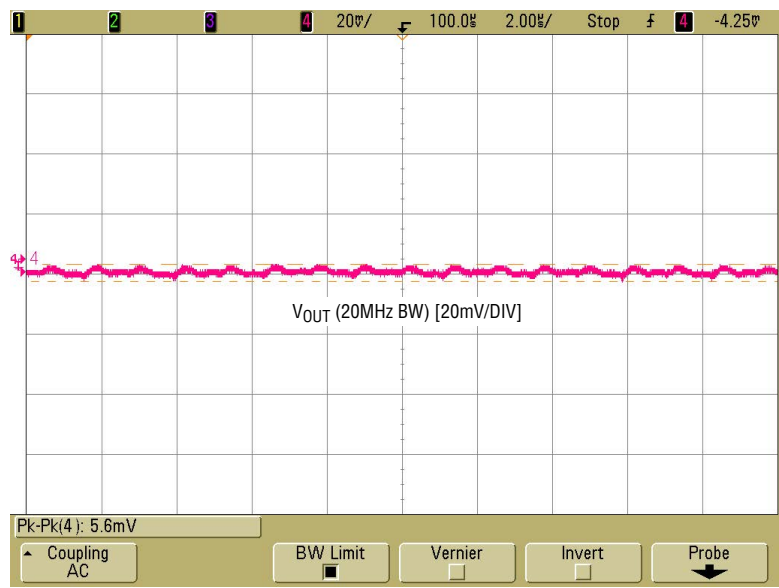


Figure 6. Output Voltage Ripple at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.0V$, $I_{OUT} = 160A$, $f_{SW} = 400kHz$

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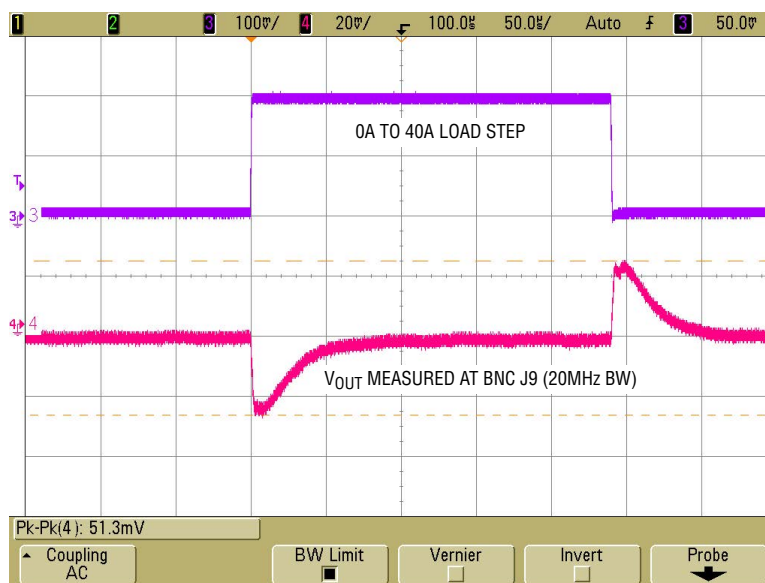


Figure 7. Transient Response at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 1.0V$, $I_{OUT} = 0A \sim 40A$, $di/dt = 40A/\mu s$

PARTS LIST

ITEM	QTY	REFERENCE	PART DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER/PART NUMBER
Required Circuit Components				
1	4	CIN1, CIN10, CIN12, CIN13	CAP, OSCON, 270 μ F, 16V, 20%, E12	PANASONIC, 16SVPC270M
2	16	CIN2-CIN9, CIN11, CIN14-CIN20	CAP, 22 μ F, X7R, 16V, 20%, 1206	Taiyo Yuden, EMK316BB7226ML-T
3	8	COUT1, COUT3, COUT7, COUT8, COUT9, COUT11, COUT21, COUT22	CAP, 100 μ F, X5R, 6.3V, 20%, 1206	AVX, 1206D107MAT2A
4	8	C10, C11, C20, C21, C25, C41, C46, C50	CAP, 100 μ F, X5R, 6.3V, 20%, 1210	AVX, 1210D107MAT2A
5	11	COUT2, COUT4, COUT5, COUT6, COUT13, COUT15, COUT16, COUT17, COUT18, COUT19, COUT20	CAP, POSCAP, 470 μ F, 2.5V, 7343	PANASONIC, ETPF470M5H
6	5	C2, C7, C18, C28, C48	CAP, 0.1 μ F, X7R, 16V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 0603YC104KAT2A
7	8	C3, C4, C16, C19, C29, C30, C42, C47	CAP, 0.22 μ F, X5R, 25V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 06033D224KAT2A
8	1	C8	CAP, 10nF, X7R, 25V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 06033C103K4T2A
9	1	C9	CAP, 680pF, C0G, 25V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 06033A681FAT2A
10	2	C13, C44	CAP, 1 μ F, X5R, 25V, 10%, 0603	MURATA, GRM188R61E105KA12D
11	2	C22, C27	CAP, 1 μ F, X5R, 16V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 0603YD105KAT2A
12	1	C33	CAP, 1 μ F, X7R, 16V, 10%, 0805	MURATA, GRM21BR71C105KA01L
13	2	C14, C45	CAP, 4.7 μ F, X5R, 25V, 10%, 0805	TDK, C2012X5R1E475K
14	2	C31, C35	CAP, 10 μ F, X5R, 16V, 10%, 1210	AVX, 1210YD106KAT2A
15	1	C34	CAP, 0.22 μ F, X7R, 16V, 10%, 0805	AVX, 0805YC224KAT2A
16	1	C43	CAP, 47pF, X7R, 25V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 06033C470KAT2A

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ITEM	QTY	REFERENCE	PART DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER/PART NUMBER
17	2	R1, R14	RES., 20k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F2002TRF
18	5	R4, R17, R19, R23, R61	RES., 0 Ω , 1/10W, 0603	NIC, NRC06Z0TRF
19	4	R9, R10, R56, R57	RES., 2k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F2001TRF
20	4	R11, R34, R52, R63	RES., 3.57k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F3571TRF
21	4	R12, R29, R35, R62	RES., 715 Ω , 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F7150TRF
22	1	R13	RES., 13.3k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F1332TRF
23	1	R15	RES., 1.65k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F1651TRF
24	2	R16, R20	RES., 10 Ω , 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F10R0TRF
25	2	R18, R24	RES., 2.2 Ω , 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F2R20TRF
26	3	R28, R32, R73	RES., 100k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F1003TRF
27	7	R37, R40, R51, R53, R55, R59, R75	RES., 10k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F1002TRF
28	2	R43, R44	RES., 4.99k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F4991TRF
29	1	R54	RES., 34.8k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	NIC, NRC06F3482TRF
30	1	R60	RES., SENSE, 0.005 Ω , 1%, 1W, 2512	PANASONIC, ERJM1WSF5M0U
31	4	D1, D2, D3, D4	DIODE, SCHOTTKY, SOD-323	CENTRAL SEMI., CMDSH-3TR
32	4	L1, L2, L3, L4	IND., 0.25 μ H	WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 744301025
33	8	Q1, Q2, Q3, Q4, Q5, Q6, Q7, Q8	XSTR., MOSFET, DUAL N-CH	INFINEON, BSG0811ND
34	2	Q20, Q21	XSTR., MOSFET, N-CH, 30V, TO-252	VISHAY, SUD50N03-09P-GE3
35	2	U1, U2	I.C., LTC3875EUJ#PBF, QFN 6mm x 6mm	LINEAR TECH., LTC3875EUJ#PBF
36	1	U3	I.C., LT1763CDE#PBF, 4mm X 3mm	LINEAR TECH., LT1763CDE#PBF

Additional Demo Board Circuit Components

1	0	C1, C5, C6, COUT10, COUT12, COUT14, C23, C24, C26, C32, C37, C38, C39, C40 (OPT)	OPTIONAL	
2	0	RN1, RN2, R2, R3, RN5, R5, RN6, R6, R7, R8, R22, R27, R31, R33, R36, R38, R39, R41, R42, R45, R46, R47, R48, R49, R50, R58, R64, R65, R66, R67, R68, R69, R70, R71(OPT)	OPTIONAL	

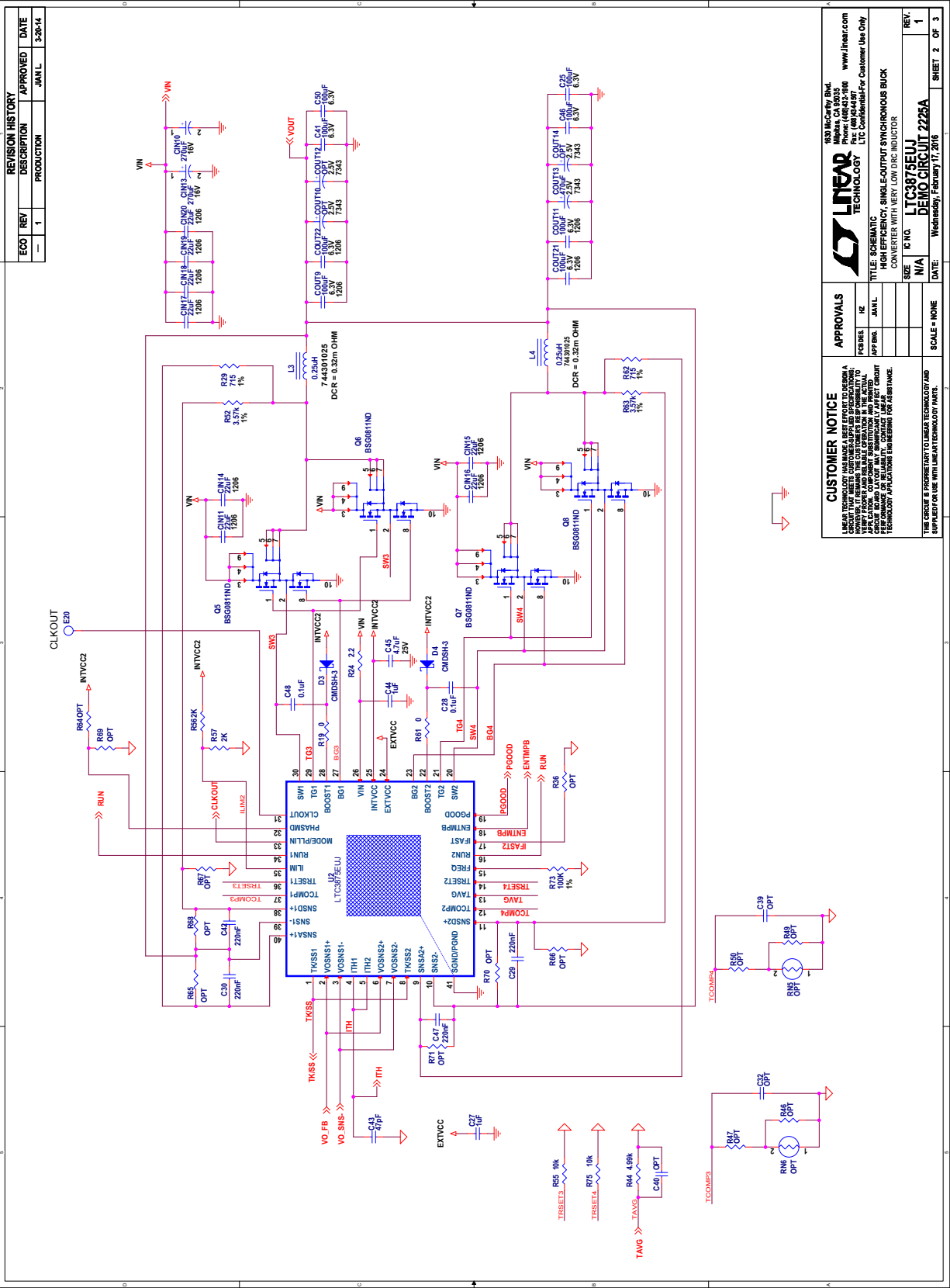
Hardware: For Demo Board Only

1	13	E1, E3-E8, E12-E14, E18-E20	TEST POINT, TURRET, .064" MTG. HOLE	MILL-MAX, 2308-2-00-80-00-00-07-0
2	6	J1-J6	STUD, TESTPIN	PEM, KFH-032-10
3	12	J1-J6(X2)	NUT, BRASS 10-32	ANY #10-32
4	6	J1-J6	RING, LUG #10	KEYSTONE, 8205, #10
5	6	J1-J6	WASHER, TIN PLATED BRASS	ANY #10
6	2	JP1, JP2	CONN., HEADER, 1X4, 2mm	SAMTEC, TMM-104-02-L-S
7	1	JP5	CONN., HEADER, 1X3, 2mm	SAMTEC, TMM103-02-L-S
8	1	SW1	SWITCH, SLIDE DPDT 6VDC 0.3A PCMNT	C&K., JS202011CQN
9	2	J9, J10	CONN, BNC 5PINS	CONNEX, 112404
10	3	XJP1, XJP2, XJP5	SHUNT, 2mm	SAMTEC, 2SN-BK-G

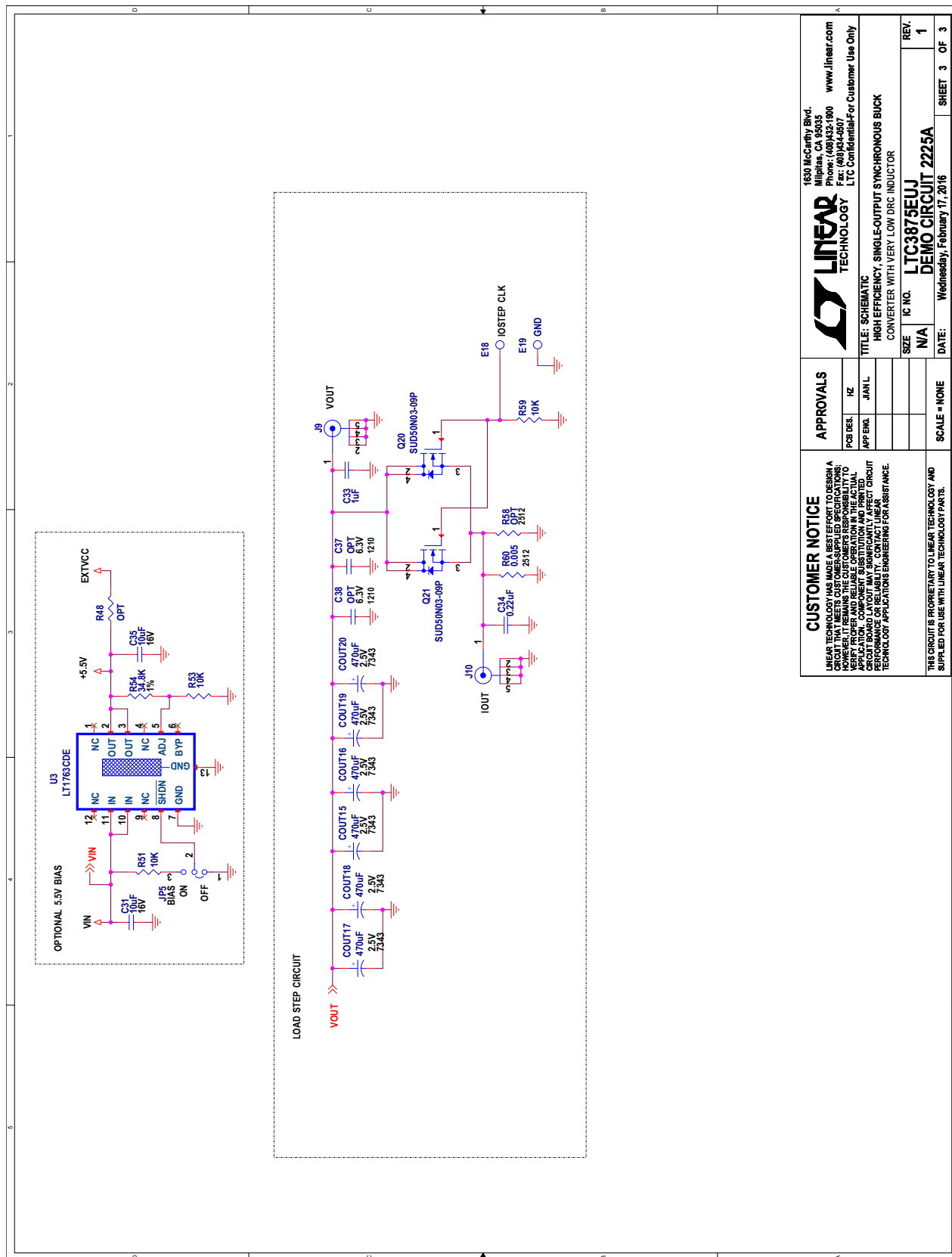


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