

8A and 12A Synchronous Step Down COT Regulator

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The XR76108 and XR76112 are synchronous step-down regulators combining the controller, drivers, bootstrap diode and MOSFETs in a single package for point-of-load supplies. The XR76108 has a load current rating of 8A and the XR76112 has a load current rating of 12A. A wide 4.5V 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 XR76108 and XR76112 provide extremely fast line and load transient response using ceramic output capacitors. They require no loop compensation, simplifying circuit implementation and reducing overall component count. The control loop also provides 0.25% load and 0.1% 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 overcurrent, over-temperature, short-circuit and UVLO, help achieve safe operation under abnormal operating conditions.

The XR76108/12 are available in a RoHS-compliant, green/halogen-free space-saving QFN 5x5mm package.

EVALUATION BOARD MANUAL



FEATURES

- 8A and 12A Step Down Regulators
 - 4.5V to 5.5V Low V_{IN} Operation
 - 4.5V 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 Cap. Stable operation
 - Programmable 200ns-2µs On-Time
 - Quasi Constant 200kHz-800kHz Freq
 - Selectable CCM or CCM/DCM Operation

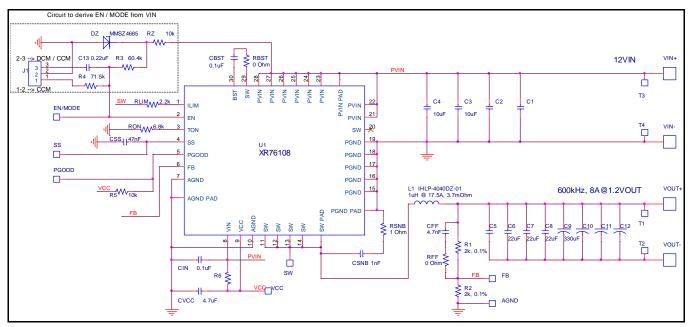


Fig. 1: XR76108 Evaluation Board Schematics



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PIN ASSIGNMENT

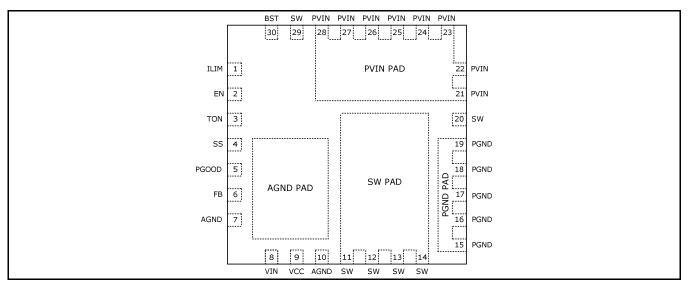


Fig. 2: XR76108 and XR76112 Pin Assignment

PIN DESCRIPTION

| Name | Pin Number | Description |
|---------|--------------------------|--|
| ILIM | 1 | Over-current protection programming. Connect with a resistor to SW. |
| EN/MODE | 2 | 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 | 3 | Constant on-time programming pin. Connect with a resistor to AGND. |
| SS | 4 | Soft-Start pin. Connect an external capacitor between SS and AGND to program the soft-start rate based on the 10uA internal source current. |
| PGOOD | 5 | Power-good output. This open-drain output is pulled low when V_{OUT} is outside the regulation. |
| FB | 6 | Feedback input to feedback comparator. Connect with a set of resistors to VOUT and AGND in order to program V_{OUT} . |
| AGND | 7, 10, AGND Pad | Signal ground for control circuitry. Connect AGND Pad with a short trace to pins 7 and 10. |
| VIN | 8 | Supply input for the regulator's LDO. Normally it is connected to PVIN. |
| VCC | 9 | The output of regulator's LDO. For operation using a 5V rail, VCC should be shorted to VIN. |
| SW | 11-14, 20, 29, SW Pad | Switch node. Drain of the low-side N-channel MOSFET. Source of the high-side MOSFET is wire-bonded to the SW Pad. Pins 20 and 29 are internally connected to SW pad. |
| PGND | 15-19, PGND Pad | Ground of the power stage. Should be connected to the system's power ground plane. Source of the low-side MOSFET is wire-bonded to PGND Pad. |
| PVIN | 21-28, PVIN Pad | Input voltage for power stage. Drain of the high-side N-channel MOSFET. |
| BST | 30 | High-side driver supply pin. Connect the bootstrap capacitor between BST and pin 29. |

ORDERING INFORMATION

Refer to XR76108 and XR76112's datasheet and/or $\underline{www.exar.com}$ for exact and up to date ordering information.

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POWERING UP

Connect the VIN+/VIN- with short/thick leads to power supply. Use test pins T3 and T4 to monitor VIN+ and VIN- respectively. Connect VOUT+/VOUT- with short/thick leads to an electronic load. Use test pins T1 and T2 to monitor VOUT+ and VOUT- respectively. Apply 12V using the power supply. The XR761XXEVB should power up and regulate the output at 1.2V. Input voltage range is from 5V to 22V. Maximum rated current for XR76108 and XR76112 is 8A and 12A respectively.

JUMPER J1

If the jumper is set to CCM position the regulator will operate in "forced CCM".

If the Jumper is set to DCM position the regulator will operate in DCM at light load. Transition from DCM to CCM is at approximately 1.5A.

USING EXTERNAL "EN/MODE" SIGNAL

Remove the jumper from the 3-pin connector and resistor R3. Use an auxiliary supply to apply voltage to "EN/MODE" pin. For

 $2V \le V_{EN} \le 2.8V$ the regulator will operate in FORCED CCM. For $3.1V \le V_{EN} \le 5.5V$ the regulator will operate in DCM/CCM depending on load current. Note that for DCM/CCM operation the signal has to be sequenced with respect to V_{OUT} as explained in the datasheet.

OPERATION FROM A 5V RAIL (V_{IN} =4.5V-5.5V)

For operation from a 5V rail it is recommended to tie output of the LDO to V_{IN} by populating R6 with a 0Ω resistor. This enhances the operation of the drivers at $V_{IN}{<}5V$. Please remember to remove R6 for operation at higher V_{IN} .

PROGRAMMING THE OUTPUT VOLTAGE

 V_{OUT} can be programmed by changing R1 according to:

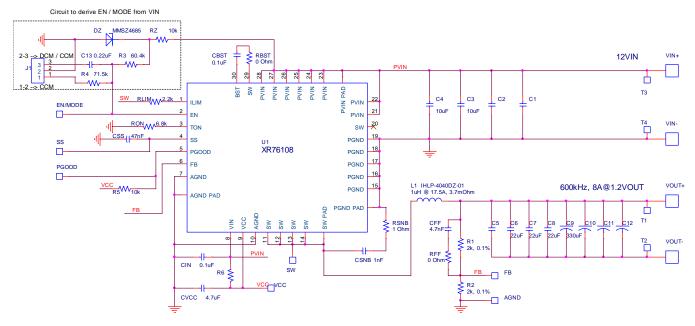
$$R1 = R2 \times \left(\frac{V_{OUT}}{0.6} - 1\right)$$

Note that capacitor C9 has a voltage rating of 2V. Remove C9 when programming $V_{\text{OUT}} > 1.8V$.

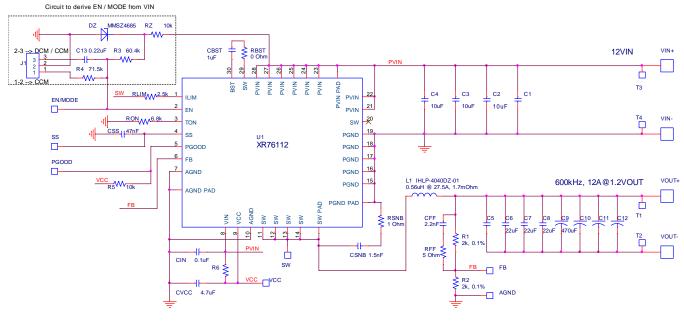


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EVALUATION BOARD SCHEMATICS



XR76108 EVB schematic



XR76112 EVB schematic



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XR76108 BILL OF MATERIAL

| Reference | Qty. | Manufacturer | Manufacturer | Size | Component |
|---|------|------------------|--------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Designator | | | Part Number | | |
| PCB | 1 | Exar | XR76108EVB | | XR76108 Evaluation kit |
| U1 | 1 | Exar | XR76108 | QFN 5x5mm | Constant On-Time Power Blox |
| L1 | 1 | VISHAY | IHLP4040DZER1R0M01 | 10.3x10.9mm | Power Inductor, 1uH, 17.5A |
| DZ | 1 | On Semi | MMSZ4685T1G | SOD-123 | 3.6Volt Zener |
| C9 | 1 | Murata | ECASD60D337M007K00 | 7343 | Cap. Alum. Polymer 330uF, 2V, 20% |
| C3,C4 | 2 | Murata | GRM32ER7YA106KA12L | 1210 | Cap. Cer. 10uF, 35V, 10%, X7R |
| C6, C7, C8 | 3 | Murata | GRM32ER71C226KE18L | 1210 | Cap. Cer. 22uF, 16V, 10%, X7R |
| CVCC | 1 | Murata | GRM21BR71C475KA73L | 0805 | Cap. Cer. 4.7, 16V, 10%, X7R |
| CSS | 1 | Murata | GRM188R71C473KA01D | 0603 | Cap. Cer. 47nF, 50V, 10%, X7R |
| C13 | 1 | Murata | GRM188R71E224KA88D | 0603 | Cap. Cer. 0.22uF, 25V, 10%, X7R |
| CBST, CIN | 2 | Murata | GRM188R71H104KA93D | 0603 | Cap. Cer. 0.1 uF, 50V, 10%, X7R |
| Csnb | 1 | Murata | GRM188R71H102KA01D | 0603 | Cap Cer. 1nF, 50v, 10%, X7R |
| CFF | 1 | Murata | GRM188R71H472KA01D | 0603 | Cap. Cer. 4700pF, 50V, 10%, X7R |
| R1, R2 | 2 | PANASONIC | ERA-3AEB202V | 0603 | Resistor 2K Ohm, 0.1%, SMD |
| RZ, R5 | 2 | PANASONIC | ERJ-3EKF1002 | 0603 | Resistor 10K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| RLIM | 1 | PANASONIC | ERJ-3EKF2201V | 0603 | Resistor 2.2K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| RON | 1 | PANASONIC | ERJ-3EKF6801V | 0603 | Resistor 6.8K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| Rsnb | 1 | PANASONIC | ERJ-3RQF1R0V | 0603 | Resistor 1Ω, 1%, SMD |
| R3 | 1 | PANASONIC | ERJ-3EKF6042V | 0603 | Resistor 60.4K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| R4 | 1 | PANASONIC | ERJ-3EKF7152V | 0603 | Resistor 71.5K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| RBST,RFF | 2 | PANASONIC | ERJ-3GEY0R00V | 0603 | Resistor 0Ω, 5%, SMD |
| J1 | 1 | Wurth Elektronik | 61300311121 | 0.1x0.1in | Conn.Header 1x3 |
| VIN+, VIN-, VOUT+, VOUT- | 4 | Wurth Elektronik | 7471287 | 0.32X0.10in | Mounting Tabs |
| T1, T2, T3, T4, EN/MODE, SS, PWRGD, VCC, AGND | 9 | Wurth Elektronik | 61300111121 | 0.1x0.1in | SINGLE Test Point Post |



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| DZ | 1 | On Semi | MMSZ4685T1G | SOD-123 | 3.6Volt Zener |
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| CFF | 1 | Murata | GRM188R71H222KA01D | 0603 | Cap. Cer. 2200pF, 50V, 10%, X7R |
| R1, R2 | 2 | Panasonic | ERA-3AEB202V | 0603 | Resistor 2K Ohm, 0.1%, SMD |
| RZ, R5 | 2 | Panasonic | ERJ-3EKF1002V | 0603 | Resistor 10K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| RLIM | 1 | Panasonic | ERJ-3EKF2491V | 0603 | Resistor 2.49K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| RON | 1 | Panasonic | ERJ-3EKF6801V | 0603 | Resistor 6.8K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| Rsnb | 1 | Panasonic | ERJ-3RQF1R0V | 0603 | Resitor 1Ω, 1%, SMD |
| R4 | 1 | Panasonic | ERJ-3EKF7152V | 0603 | Resistor 71.6K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| R3 | 1 | Panasonic | ERJ-3EKF6042V | 0603 | Resistor 60.4K Ohm, 1%, SMD |
| RFF | 1 | Panasonic | ERJ-3GEYJ5R1V | 0603 | Resistor 5.1 Ohm, 5%, SMD |
| RBST | 1 | Panasonic | ERJ-3GEY0R00V | 0603 | Resistor 0Ω, Jumper, SMD |
| J1 | 1 | Wurth Elektronik | 61300311121 | 0.1x0.1in | Conn.Header 1x3 |
| VIN+, VIN-, VOUT+, VOUT- | 4 | Wurth Elektronik | 7471287 | 0.32X0.10in | Mounting Tabs |
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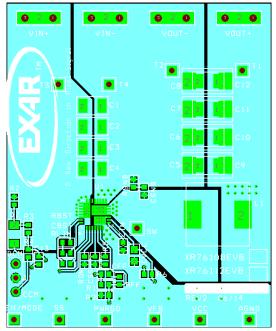


Fig. 3: Component Placement – Top Side

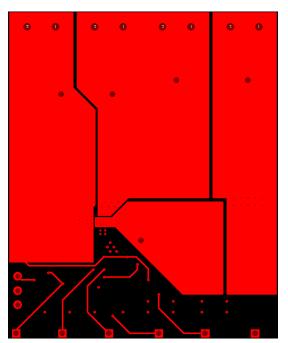


Fig. 4: Bottom Side

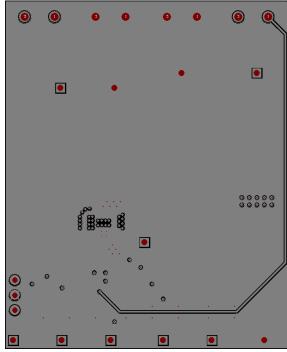


Fig. 5: Layer 2

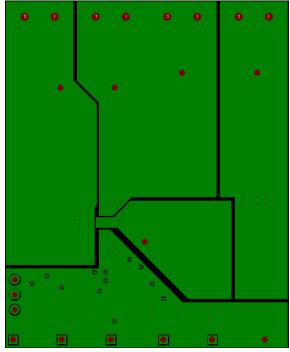


Fig. 6: Layer 3

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DOCUMENT REVISION HISTORY

| Revision | Date | Description |
|----------|-----------|---|
| 1.0.0 | 3/20/14 | Initial release of document |
| 2.0.0 | 1 8/15/14 | Updated EVB picture, circuit schematics, BOM and layout. Added to "Using the Evaluation Board". |
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BOARD REVISION HISTORY

| Board Revision | Date | Description |
|-----------------------|---------|--|
| 146-6712-1 | 3/20/14 | Initial release of evaluation board |
| REV2 | 6/14 | EVB modified to allow CCM or CCM/DCM mode of operation |
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