



MIC26903 Evaluation Board

28V, 9A HyperLight Load[®]

Synchronous DC-DC Buck Regulator

SuperSwitcher IIG[™]

General Description

The MIC26903 DC-DC regulator operates over an input supply range of 4.5V to 28V, and provides a regulated output at up to 9A of output current. The output voltage is adjustable to 0.8V with a typical accuracy of $\pm 1\%$, and the device operates at a switching frequency of 600kHz. The switching frequency remains fairly constant, with changes in input voltage and output load.

Micrel's Hyper Light Load[™] architecture provides the same high-efficiency and ultra-fast transient response as the Hyper Speed Control[™] architecture under medium to heavy loads, but also maintains high efficiency under light load conditions by transitioning to variable frequency, discontinuous mode operation.

The MIC26903 utilizes an adaptive T_{ON} ripple control architecture. An undervoltage lockout feature is provided to ensure proper operation under power-sag conditions. An internal soft-start feature is provided to reduce the inrush current. Foldback current limit and "hiccup" mode short-circuit protection and thermal shutdown ensures protection of the IC during fault conditions.

Note: This evaluation board is for 9A applications.

Datasheet and supporting documentation can be found on Micrel's web site at: www.micrel.com.

Requirements

The MIC26903 provides a 5V regulated output for input voltage V_{IN} ranging from 5.5V to 28V. When $V_{IN} < 5.5V$, V_{DD} should be tied to $PVIN$ pins to bypass the internal linear regulator by a jumper. The output load can either be an active or passive load.

Precautions

The evaluation board does not have reverse polarity protection. Applying a negative voltage to the V_{IN} terminal may damage the device. In addition, the maximum V_{IN} operating voltage of the MIC26903 evaluation board is 28V. Exceeding 29V on V_{IN} could damage the device.

Getting Started

1. **Connect an external supply to the V_{IN} terminal.** Apply the desired input voltage to the V_{IN} and ground terminals of the evaluation board, paying careful attention to polarity and supply voltage. An ammeter may be placed between the input supply and the V_{IN} terminal to the evaluation board. Ensure that the supply voltage is monitored at the V_{IN} terminal. The ammeter and/or power lead resistance can reduce the voltage supplied to the input.
2. **Connect the load to the V_{OUT} and ground terminals.** The load can be either passive (resistive) or active (as in an electronic load). An ammeter can be placed between the load and the V_{OUT} terminal. Ensure that the output voltage is monitored at the V_{OUT} terminal. V_{OUT} can be set to 0.9V, 1.0V, 1.2V, 1.5V, 1.8V, 2.5V, 3.3V, or 5.0V by a jumper. If a different voltage is needed, it can be adjusted by changing the feedback resistors. See "Output Voltage" section.
3. **Enable the MIC26903.** The EN pin is provided on the evaluation board. The output of the MIC26903 turns on when V_{DD} exceeds the UVLO threshold. The output of the MIC26903 may be turned off by shorting the EN pin to ground. A connection on the board provides easy access to the enable pin.

Ordering Information

Part Number	Description
MIC26903YJL EV	9A HLL DC-DC Regulator Evaluation Board

Output Voltage

The output voltage on the MIC26903 evaluation board is adjustable. It is set by adjusting the feedback resistors (R4 and one of R5, R6, R7, R8, R9, R10, R11, or R12) and can be calculated as follows as an example:

$$V_{OUT} = V_{REF} \times \left(1 + \frac{R4}{R7}\right)$$

where $V_{REF} = 0.8V$.

The output voltage above is set at the factory for a 1.2V output, but it can easily be changed by moving the jumper to a respective position to get an indicated voltage on the board. If a desired voltage is not shown on the board, it is easily modified by removing R4 and R7 and replacing them with the values that yield the

desired output voltage. Once R4 is selected, R7 can be calculated using:

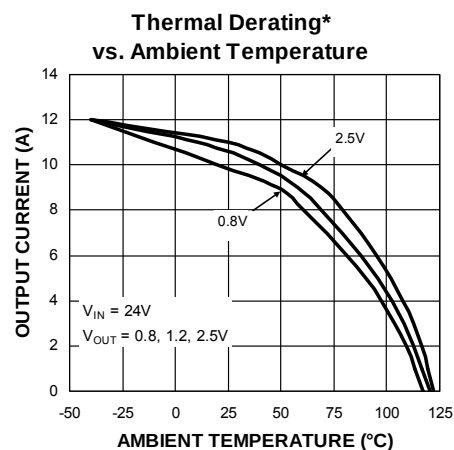
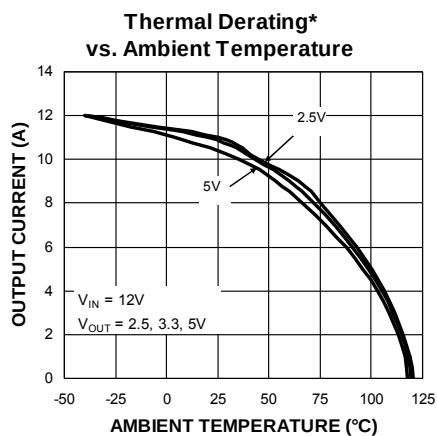
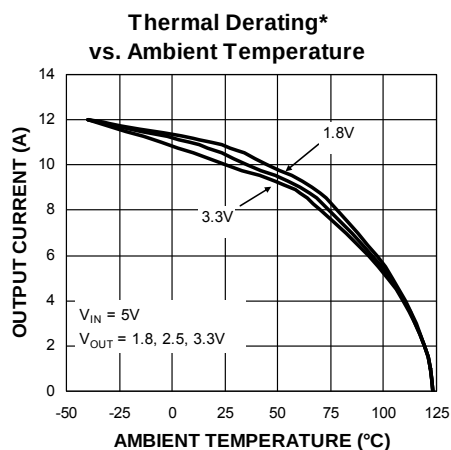
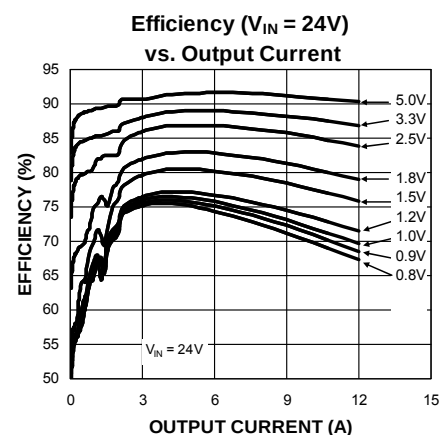
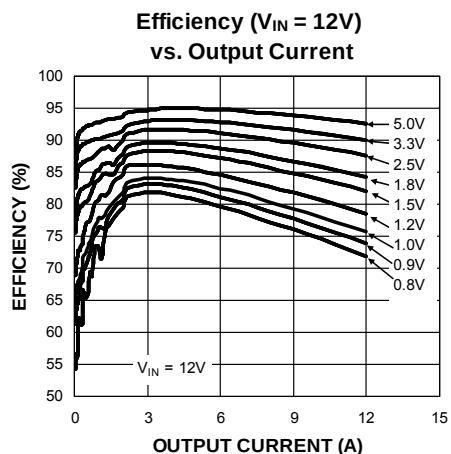
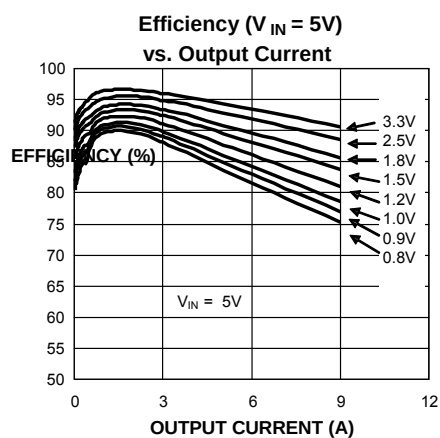
$$R7 = \frac{R4 \times V_{REF}}{V_{OUT} - V_{REF}}$$

For $V_{REF} = 0.8V$:

$$R7 = \frac{R4 \times 0.8V}{V_{OUT} - 0.8V}$$

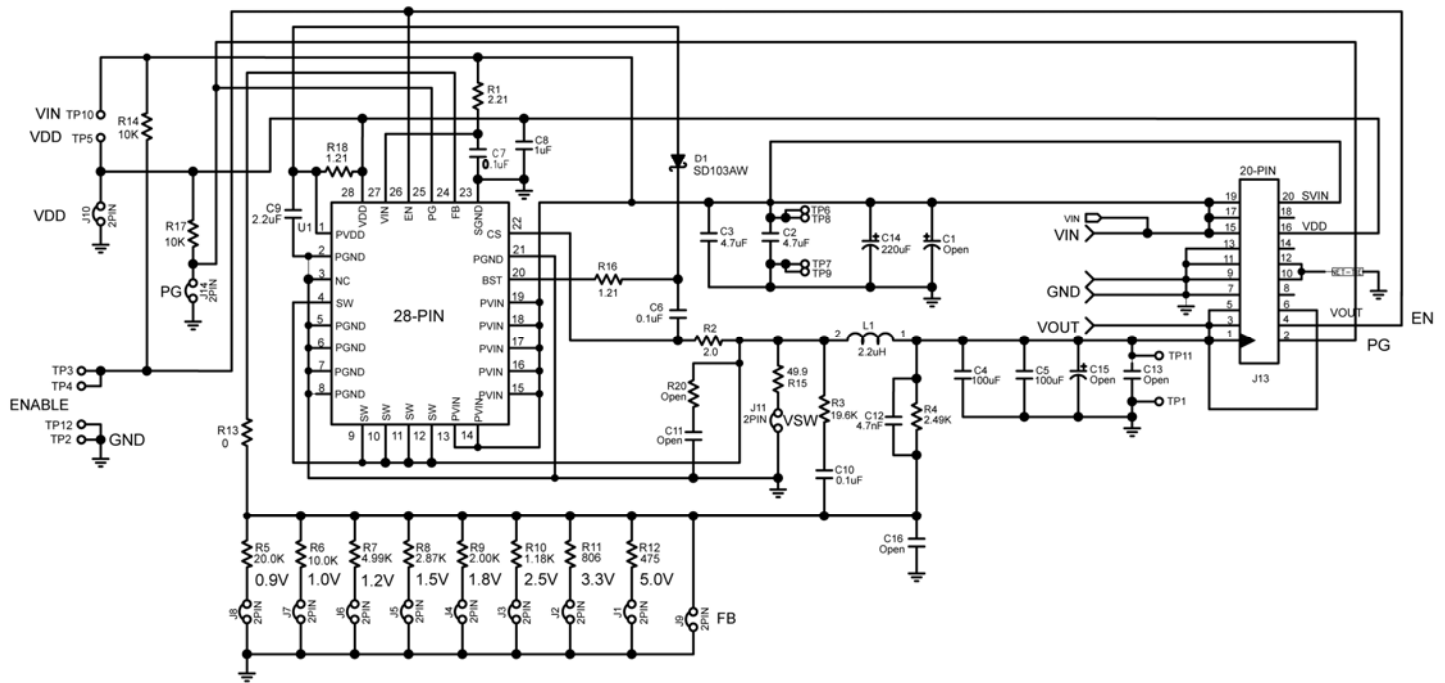
The output voltage should not be set to exceed 5V due to the 6.3V rating of the output capacitor and limitation on line regulation. Please refer to the MIC26903 datasheet "Setting Output Voltage" section for more information.

Evaluation Board Performance



Die Temperature* : The temperature measurement was taken at the hottest point on the MIC26903 case mounted on a 5 square inch 4 layer, 0.62", FR-4 PCB with 2oz finish copper weight per layer, see Thermal Measurement section. Actual results will depend upon the size of the PCB, ambient temperature and proximity to other heat emitting components.

Evaluation Board Schematic



Schematic of MIC26903 Evaluation Board
(J11, R13, R15 are for testing purposes)

Bill of Materials

Item	Part Number	Manufacturer	Description	Qty
C1	Open			
C2, C3	12105C475KAZ2A	AVX ⁽¹⁾	4.7µF Ceramic Capacitor, X7R, Size 1210, 50V	2
	GRM32ER71H475KA88L	Murata ⁽²⁾		
	C3225X7R1H475K	TDK ⁽³⁾		
C13, C15	Open			
C4, C5	12106D107MAT2A	AVX ⁽¹⁾	100µF Ceramic Capacitor, X5R, Size 1210, 6.3V	3
	GRM32ER60J107ME20L	Murata ⁽²⁾		
	C3225X5R0J107M	TDK ⁽³⁾		
C6, C7, C10	06035C104KAT2A	AVX ⁽¹⁾	0.1µF Ceramic Capacitor, X7R, Size 0603, 50V	3
	GRM188R71H104KA93D	Murata ⁽²⁾		
	C1608X7R1H104K	TDK ⁽³⁾		
C8	0603ZC105KAT2A	AVX ⁽¹⁾	1.0µF Ceramic Capacitor, X7R, Size 0603, 10V	1
	GRM188R71A105KA61D	Murata ⁽²⁾		
	C1608X7R1A105K	TDK ⁽³⁾		
C9	0603ZD225KAT2A	AVX ⁽¹⁾	2.2µF Ceramic Capacitor, X5R, Size 0603, 10V	1
	GRM188R61A225KE34D	Murata ⁽²⁾		
	C1608X5R1A225K	TDK ⁽³⁾		
C12	06035C472KAZ2A	AVX ⁽¹⁾	4.7nF Ceramic Capacitor, X7R, Size 0603, 50V	1
	GRM188R71H472K	Murata ⁽²⁾		
	C1608X7R1H472K	TDK ⁽³⁾		
C14	B41851F7227M	EPCOS ⁽⁴⁾	220µF Aluminum Capacitor, 35V	1
C11, C16	Open			
D1	SD103AWS	MCC ⁽⁵⁾	40V, 350mA, Schottky Diode, SOD323	1
	SD103AWS-7	Diodes Inc ⁽⁶⁾		
	SD103AWS	Vishay ⁽⁷⁾		
L1	HCF1305-2R2-R	Cooper Bussmann ⁽⁸⁾	2.2µH Inductor, 15A Saturation Current	1
R1	CRCW06032R21FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	2.21Ω Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R2	CRCW06032R00FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	2.00Ω Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R3	CRCW060319K6FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	19.6kΩ Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R4	CRCW06032K49FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	2.49kΩ Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R5	CRCW060320K0FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	20.0kΩ Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R6, R14, R17	CRCW060310K0FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	10.0kΩ Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	3
R7	CRCW06034K99FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	4.99kΩ Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R8	CRCW06032K87FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	2.87kΩ Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R9	CRCW06032K006FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	2.00kΩ Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R10	CRCW06031K18FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	1.18kΩ Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R11	CRCW0603806RFKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	806Ω Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R12	CRCW0603475RFKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	475Ω Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1

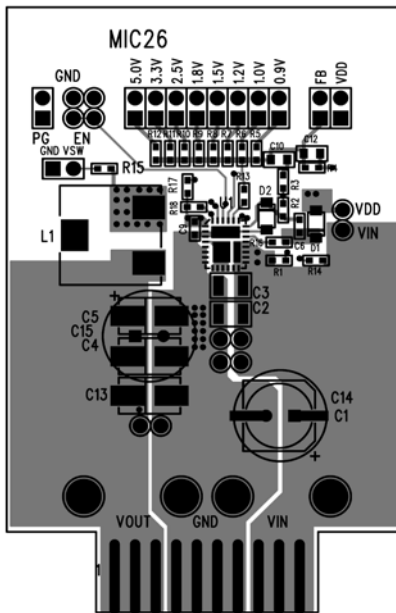
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Item	Part Number	Manufacturer	Description	Qty
R13	CRCW06030000FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	0Ω Resistor, Size 0603, 5%	1
R15	CRCW060349R9FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	49.9Ω Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	1
R16, R18	CRCW06031R21FKEA	Vishay Dale ⁽⁷⁾	1.21Ω Resistor, Size 0603, 1%	2
R20	Open			
U1	MIC26903YJL	Micrel, Inc. ⁽¹⁰⁾	28V/9A Synchronous Buck DC-DC Regulator	1

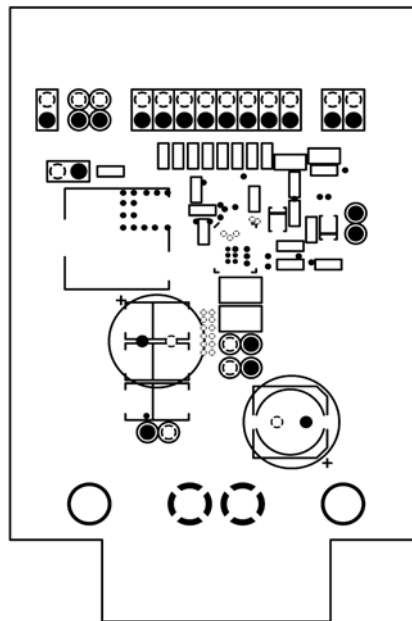
Notes:

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3. TDK: www.tdk.com
4. EPCOS: www.epcos.com
5. MCC: www.mcc.com
6. Diode Inc.: www.diodes.com
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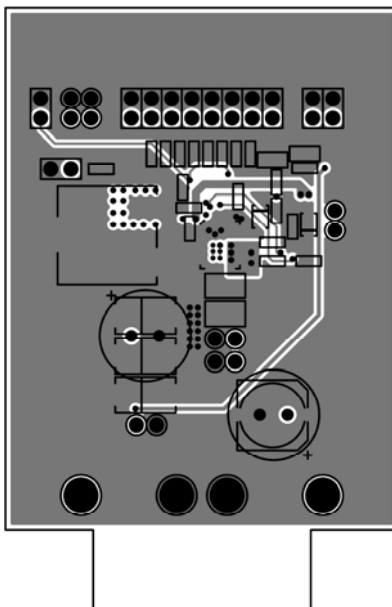


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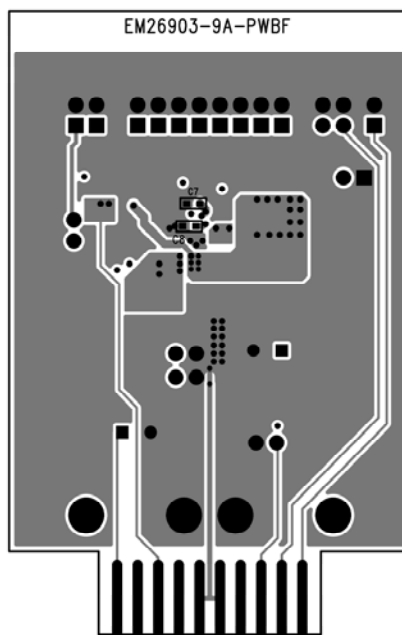


Mid-Layer 1 (Ground Plane)

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Mid-Layer 2



Bottom Layer

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