Step-Down Regulator

PRODUCTION DATA SHEET

DESCRIPTION

The LX1910 PWM buck regulator achieves very high efficiencies over a broad range of operating load conditions. The LX1910 implements a load-detection architecture and enters a power-saving PFM mode when driving small load currents ensuring optimal regulator efficiency over the entire output current range thus maximizing battery life.

The PWM operating mode implements a fixed frequency of 1MHz (typ), the transconductance error amplifier has 12µA of drive with an output voltage swing rail to rail. Compensation is external for maximum user flexibility.

The LX1910 does not require a minimum load current for stable operation. There is no Under Voltage Lockout for the input voltage, operational range includes 4V to 6V. The regulator is capable of providing an output dc load current of 850mA. The SHDN pin places the device in a sleep-mode drawing less than 1µA of quiescent current.

The LX1910 comes in space-saving MSOP package allowing a complete application circuit to occupy a very small PCB area. These features make the LX1910 ideal for use in SmartPhones, PDAs, or other battery-operated devices

IMPORTANT: For the most current data, consult *MICROSEMI*'s website: **http://www.microsemi.com**

KEY FEATURES

- Internal Reference 1.17V ±2% Accuracy (Line and Temperature)
- 4V to 6.0V Input Range
- Adj. Output From 1.17V to V_{IN}
- Output Current (I_{DC} >850mA)
- Quiescent Current < 300µA
- 1MHz Operation Frequency
- MSOP 8-Pin

APPLICATIONS/BENEFITS

- Portable Microprocessor Core Voltage Supplies
- 5V to 3V

PRODUCT HIGHLIGHT

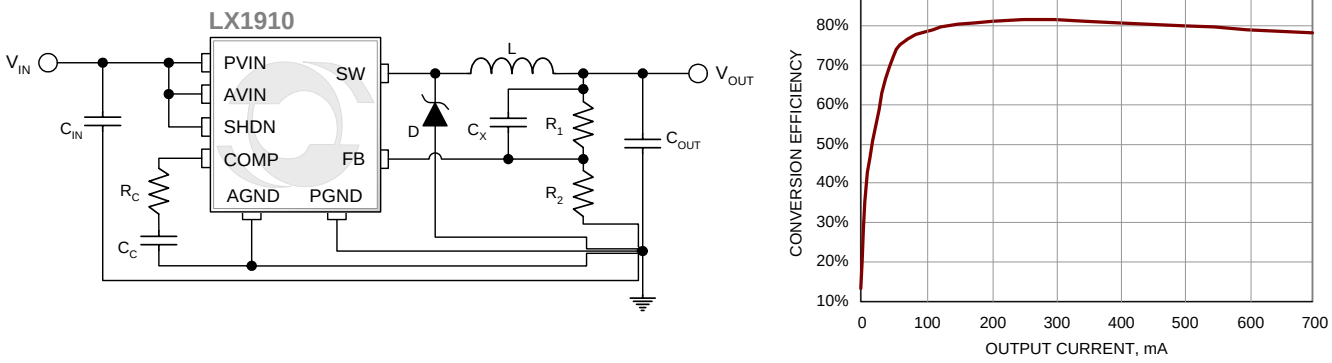

Figure 1 – LX1910 Circuit Topology and Typical Efficiency Performance

PACKAGE ORDER INFO

T_J(°C)	Input Voltage	Output Voltage Range	DU Plastic MSOP 8-PIN RoHS Compliant / Pb-free
0 to 85	4.5V – 6.0V	1.17V to V_{IN}	**LX1910CDU**

Note: Available in Tape & Reel. Append the letters "TR" to the part number.
(i.e. LX1910-13016CDU-TR)

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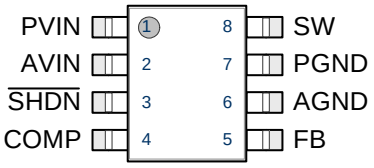
ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Input Voltage (IN) or $\overline{SHDN}$ to GND ..... -0.3V to 7.0V
SW to GND ..... -0.3V to (V_{IN} + 0.3V)
V_{FB} to GND ..... -0.3V to +2V
SW Peak Current (Internally Limited) 1000mA
Operating Temperature Range ..... -40°C to +125°C
Storage Temperature Range, T_A ..... -65°C to 150°C
Maximum Junction Temperature ..... 150°C
RoHS / Pb-free Peak Package Solder Reflow Temperature
(40 seconds maximum exposure) ..... 260°C (+0, -5)

Note: Exceeding these ratings could cause damage to the device. All voltages are with respect to Ground. Currents are positive into, negative out of specified terminal**.**

PACKAGE PIN OUT



DU PACKAGE
(Top View)

RoHS / Pb-free 100% Matte Tin Lead Finish

THERMAL DATA

DU **Plastic MSOP 8-Pin**

THERMAL RESISTANCE-JUNCTION TO AMBIENT, θ_{JA}	206°C/W

Junction Temperature Calculation: $T_J = T_A + (P_D \times \theta_{JA})$. The θ_{JA} numbers are guidelines for the thermal performance of the device/pc-board system. All of the above assume no ambient airflow.

FUNCTIONAL PIN DESCRIPTION

NAME	DESCRIPTION
SW	Inductor and commutation diode connection point. Connects to internal MOSFET drain.
AGND	Analog circuit ground providing bias for IC operation.
FB	Feedback input for setting adjustable output voltage
$\overline{SHDN}$	Enable control input. Reduces quiescent current to 1μA. Pin 8, Output becomes high impedance.
PVIN	Unregulated supply voltage input connected to PMOS Source. Input range from +2.7V to 6.0V
COMP	Frequency Compensation of the overall loop is effected by placing a series R/C combination between COMP pin and GND.
AVIN	Unregulated supply voltage input. Input range from +4V to 6.0V
PGND	Power ground (return path for internal PMOS gate driver).

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ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Specifications apply over junction temperature of: 0°C ≤ T ≤ 85°C for V_{IN} = 5V (except where otherwise noted). Typical values are at T_A=25°C.

Parameter	Symbol	Test Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
Operating Range	V_{IN}	Functional operation guaranteed by design	3.5		6.0	V
Output Voltage Range	V_{OUT}	Closed loop operating range	V_{FB}		0.95*VIN	V
Feed Back Threshold	V_{FBT}	4V ≤ V_{IN} ≤ 6V	1.146	1.170	1.193	V
FB Input Current	I_{FB}	V_{FB} = 1.2V		300	500	nA
EA Drive Current (COMP Pin)	I_{SOURCE}	V_{FB} -125mV of Overdrive, V_{COMP} = 2.5V	10	16		µA
	I_{SINK}	V_{FB} +125mV of Overdrive, V_{COMP} = 2.5V	10	16		µA
EA Output Swing (COMP Pin)	$V_{EA\ OUT}$	VOL, Sinking 10µA		95		mV
		VOH, Sourcing 10µA		4.86		V
Quiescent Operating Current	I_Q	Pin 2 Supply Current		250	400	µA
Sleep (Shutdown Mode) Current	$IQVIN_{SD}$	V_{SHDN} = 0V, SW Pin open			1	µA
	IQVINSD	V_{SHDN} = 0V, SW grounded		2	5	µA
Shutdown Input Bias Current	I_{SD_IB}	$\overline{SHDN}$ = GND or $\overline{SHDN}$ = 5V	-100		100	nA
Shutdown Voltage Threshold	V_{SD}	Device Off			0.2*V_{IN}	V
		Device On	0.8*V_{IN}			V
P-Channel Switch ON Resistance	$R_{DS(ON)}$	I_{SW} = 0.5A		0.53	0.8	Ω
Maximum Duty Cycle	D	I_{SW} = 0.5A (assured by design, not ATE tested)	80	100		%
SW Leakage Current	I_{LEAK}			1	5	µA
P-Channel Current Limit	I_{LIM}		900	950		mA
Frequency	F_{OP}		0.80	1.07	1.2	MHz
Closed Loop Load Regulation	Load Reg	V_O = 1.5V, 5mA ≤ I_O ≤ 700mA, ckt figure 3		0.35	0.5	% V_O
Thermal Shutdown	T_{SD}		125	150		°C

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SIMPLIFIED BLOCK DIAGRAM

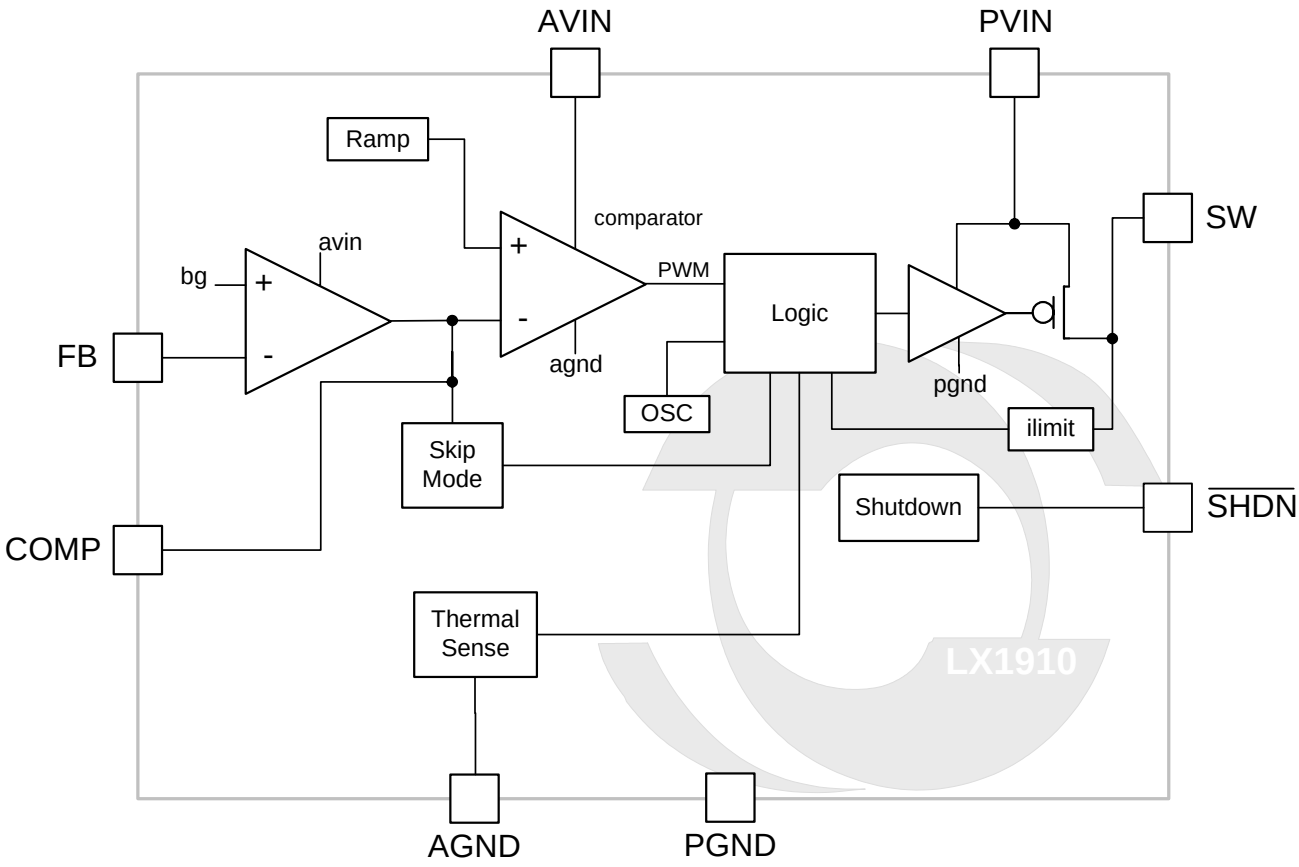

Figure 2 – LX1910 Block Diagram

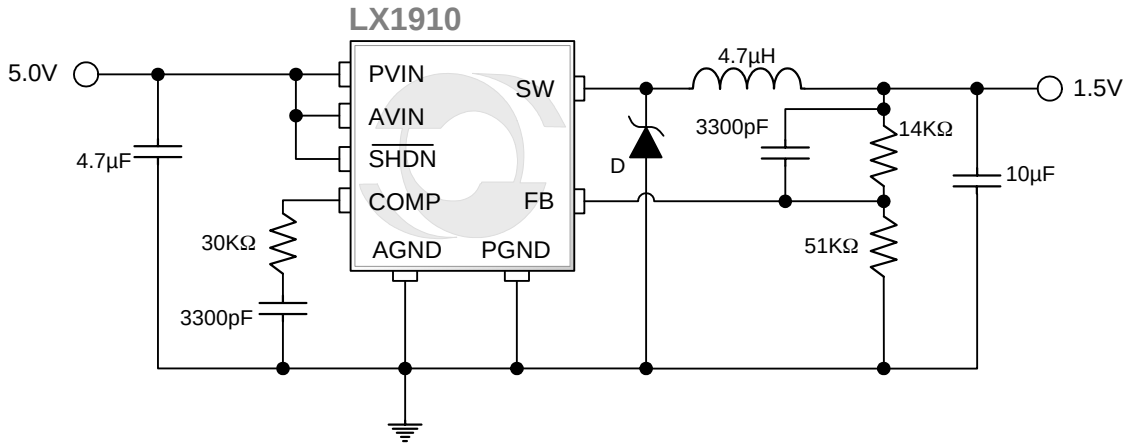

Figure 3 – Circuit for 1.5V Output Voltage

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APPLICATION NOTE

FUNCTIONAL DESCRIPTION

The LX1910 implements a PFM / PWM architecture that improves power management efficiency across the output load range.

OUTPUT VOLTAGE PROGRAMMING

Resistors R1 and R2 program the output voltage. An optional capacitor C_X may be inserted across R1 to improve the transient response (see Figure 1). The value of R2 should be less than 100KΩ. The value of R1 can be determined using the following equation, note V_{REF} is also referred to as V_{FBT}.

$$R1 = R2\left[\left(\frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{REF}}\right) - 1\right]$$

DESIGN EXAMPLE:

Let R2 equal 50K and the required V_{OUT} equal to 3.0V.

$$R1 = 50K\left[\left(\frac{3V}{1.17}\right) - 1\right] = 78K\Omega$$

DIODE SELECTION

A Schottky diode is recommended for use with the LX1910 because it provides fast switching and superior reverse recovery performance. The ***Microsemi*** UPS5817 (20V @ 1A) makes an effective choice for most applications.

INDUCTOR SELECTION

Selecting the appropriate inductor type and value ensures optimal performance of the converter circuit for the intended application. This selection process requires the designer to make trade-offs between circuit performance and cost. A primary consideration requires the selection of an inductor that will not saturate at the peak current level. Other considerations that affect inductor choice include EMI, output voltage ripple, and overall circuit efficiency. The inductor that works best depends upon the application's requirements. Further, some experimentation with actual devices in-circuit is typically necessary to make the most effective choice.

The LX1910 allows for a broad selection of inductor values and choosing a value between 2.2µH and 30µH supports a majority of applications. Selecting a larger inductor value can increase efficiency and reduce output voltage ripple. Smaller inductors typically provide smaller package size (critical in many portable applications) at the expense of increasing output ripple current. Regardless of inductor value, selecting a device manufactured with a ferrite-core produces lower losses at higher switching frequencies and thus better overall performance.

CAPACITOR SELECTION

To minimize ripple voltage, output capacitors with a low series resistance (ESR) are recommended. Multi-layer ceramic capacitors with X5R or X7R dielectric make an effective choice because they feature small size, very low ESR, a temperature stable dielectric, and can be connected in parallel to increase capacitance. Typical capacitance values of 4.7 to 30µF have proven effective. Other low ESR capacitors such as solid tantalum, specialty polymer, or organic semiconductor, make effective choices provided that the capacitor is properly rated for the output voltage and ripple current. Finally, choose an input capacitor of sufficient size to effectively decouple the input voltage source impedance (e.g., $C_{IN} \geq 4.7\mu F$).

LAYOUT CONSIDERATIONS

The high peak currents and switching frequencies present in DC/DC converter applications require careful attention to device layout for optimal performance. Basic design rules include: (1) maintaining wide traces for power components (e.g., width > 50mils); (2) place C_{IN}, C_{OUT}, the Schottky diode, and the inductor close to the LX1910; (3) minimizing trace capacitance by reducing the etch area connecting the SW pin to the inductor; and (4) minimizing the etch length to the FB pin to reduce noise coupling into this high impedance sense input. Other considerations include placing a 0.1uF capacitor between the LX1910 V_{OUT} pin and GND pin to reduce high frequency noise and decoupling the V_{IN} pin using a 0.1µF capacitor.

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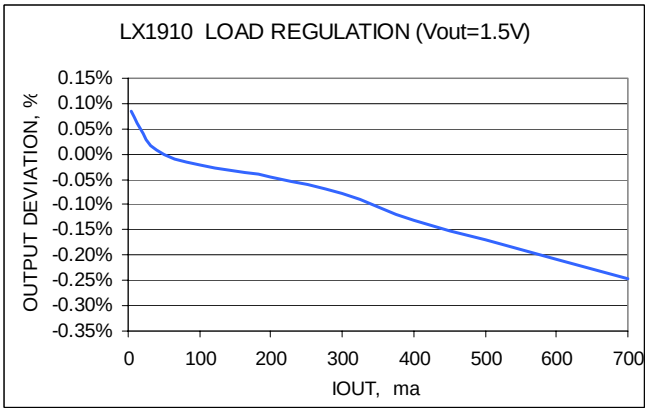
CHARACTERISTIC CURVES



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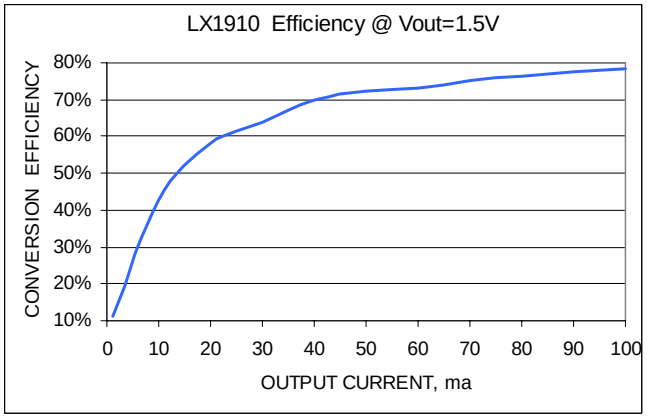

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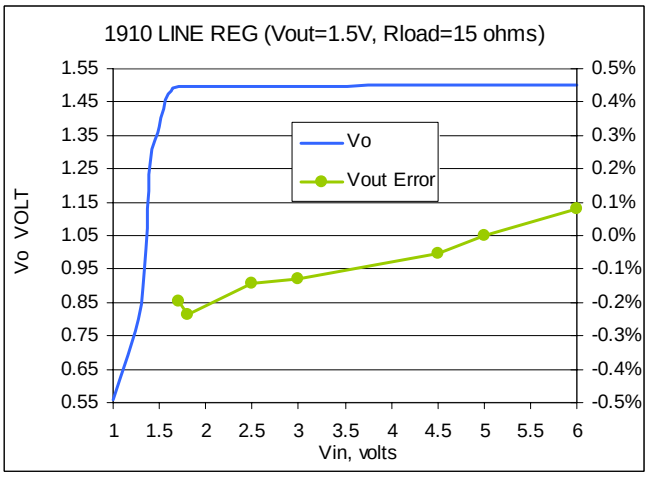

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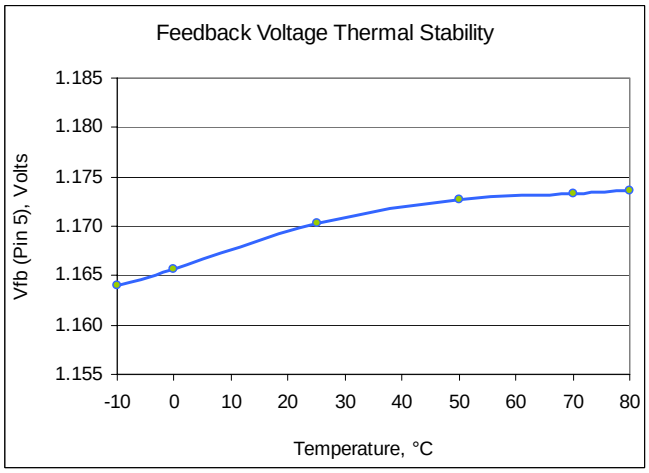

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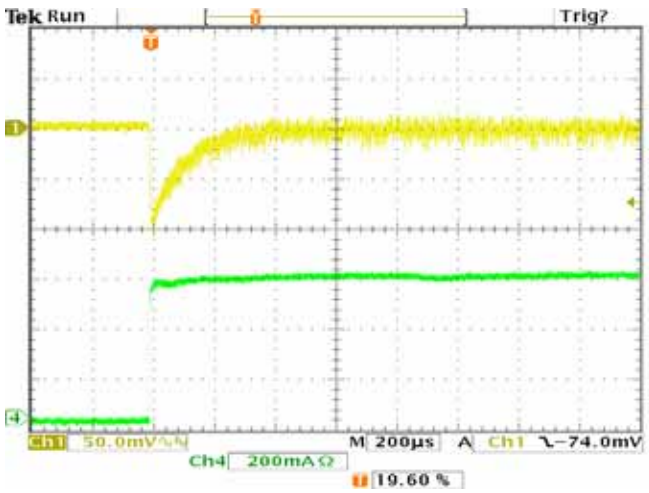

Figure 9– Output Load Step Response: CH1: V_{OUT} and CH4: I_{OUT}; Condition: V_{IN} = 5.0V; I_{STEP} = 50 to 600mA

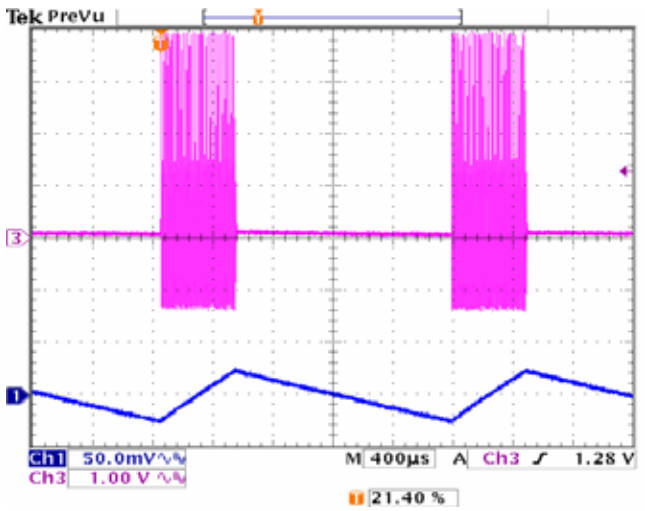

Figure 10 – Switching Waveforms: PFM Mode
CH3: V_{SW} (pin 8) and CH1: V_{OUT}; (V_{IN} = 5.0V; I_{OUT} = 1mA)

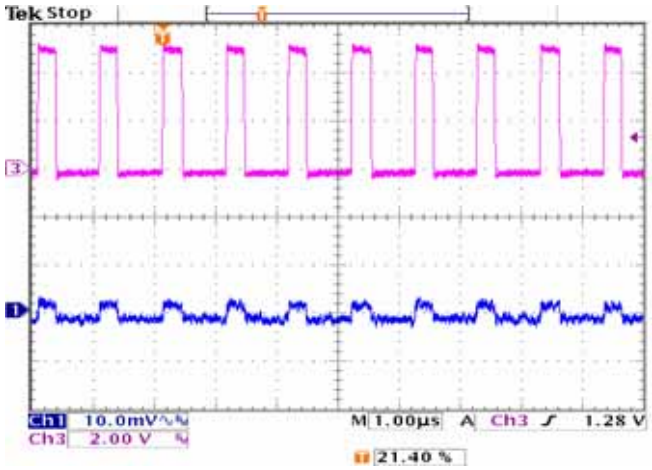

Figure 11 – Switching Waveforms: PWM Mode
CH3: V_{SW} (pin 8) and CH1: V_{OUT}; (V_{IN} = 5.0V; I_{OUT} = 10mA)

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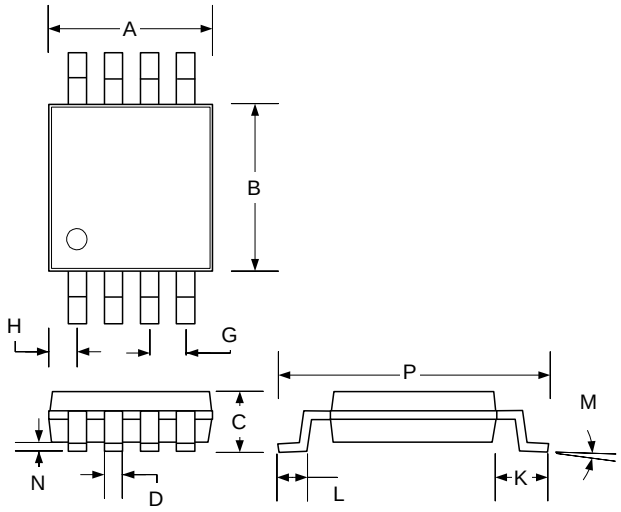
PACKAGE DIMENSIONS

DU 8-Pin Miniature Shrink Outline Package (MSOP)



Dim	MILLIMETERS		INCHES	
	MIN	MAX	MIN	MAX
A	2.85	3.05	.112	.120
B	2.90	3.10	.114	.122
C	–	1.10	–	0.043
D	0.25	0.40	0.009	0.160
G	0.65 BSC		0.025 BSC	
H	0.38	0.64	0.015	0.025
J	0.13	0.18	0.005	0.007
K	0.95 BSC		0.037 BSC	
L	0.40	0.70	0.016	0.027
M	3°		3°	
N	0.05	0.15	0.002	0.006
P	4.75	5.05	0.187	0.198

Note: Dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusions; these shall not exceed 0.155mm(0.006") on any side. Lead dimension shall not include solder coverage.

NOTES

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