

LM3475 Hysteretic PFET Buck Controller

1 Features

- Easy-to-Use Control Methodology
- 0.8 V to V_{IN} Adjustable Output Range
- High Efficiency (90% Typical)
- $\pm 0.9\%$ ($\pm 1.5\%$ Over Temperature) Feedback Voltage
- 100% Duty Cycle Capable
- Maximum Operating Frequency up to 2 MHz
- Internal Soft-Start
- Enable Pin

2 Applications

- TFT Monitor
- Auto PC
- Vehicle Security
- Navigation Systems
- Notebook Standby Supply
- Battery Powered Portable Applications
- Distributed Power Systems

3 Description

The LM3475 is a hysteretic P-FET buck controller designed to support a wide range of high efficiency applications in a very small SOT-23-5 package. The hysteretic control scheme has several advantages, including simple system design with no external compensation, stable operation with a wide range of components, and extremely fast transient response. Hysteretic control also provides high efficiency operation, even at light loads. The PFET architecture allows for low component count as well as 100% duty cycle and ultra-low dropout operation.

Device Information⁽¹⁾

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE	BODY SIZE (NOM)
LM3475	SOT-23 (5)	1.60 mm x 2.90 mm

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

Typical Application

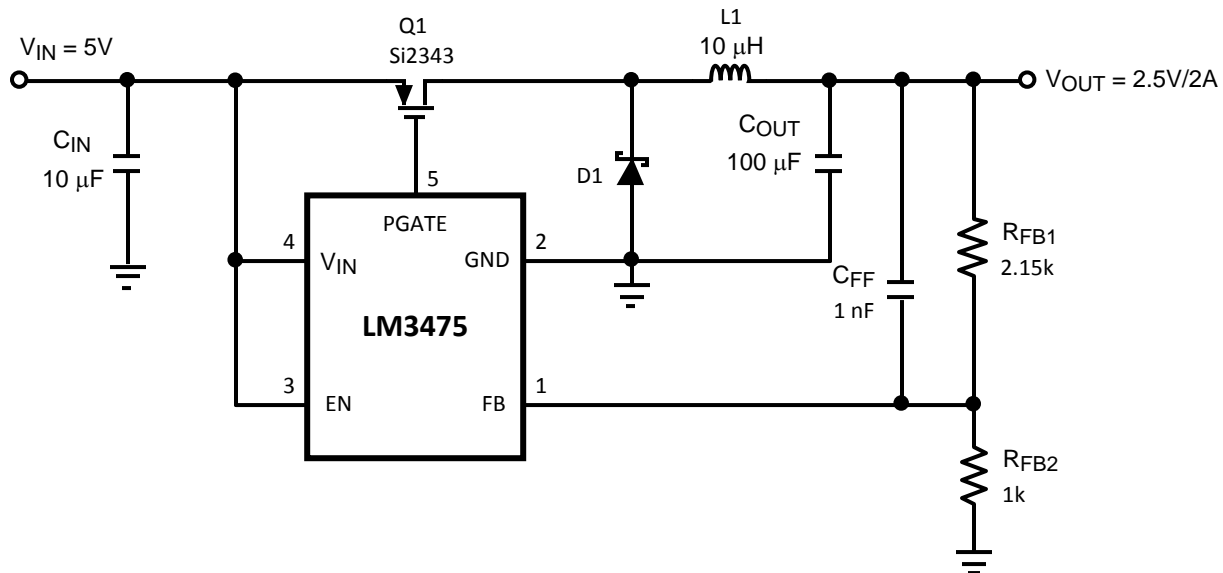


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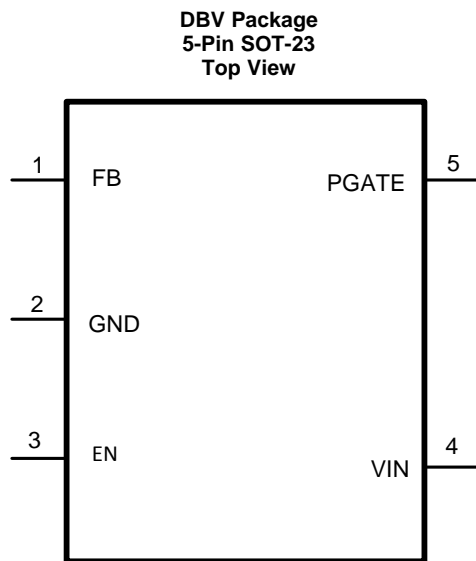
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5 Pin Configuration and Functions



Pin Functions

PIN		I/O	DESCRIPTION
NAME	NO.		
FB	1	I	Feedback input. Connect to a resistor divider between the output and GND.
GND	2	G	Ground.
EN	3	O	Enable. Pull this pin above 1.5 V (typical) for normal operation. When EN is low, the device enters shutdown mode.
VIN	4	P	Power supply input.
PGATE	5	O	Gate drive output for the external PFET.

6 Specifications

6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

 See ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾

		MIN	MAX	UNIT
V_{IN}		-0.3	16	V
PGATE		-0.3	16	V
FB		-0.3	5	V
EN		-0.3	16	V
Power dissipation ⁽³⁾			440	mW
Lead temperature	Vapor phase (60 s)		215	°C
	Infrared (15 s)		220	
T_{stg}	Storage temperature	-65	1150	°C

- Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions*. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.
- If Military/Aerospace specified devices are required, please contact the Texas Instruments Sales Office/ Distributors for availability and specifications.
- The maximum allowable power dissipation is a function of the maximum junction temperature, T_{J_MAX} , the junction-to-ambient thermal resistance, θ_{JA} and the ambient temperature, T_A . The maximum allowable power dissipation at any ambient temperature is calculated using: $P_{D_MAX} = (T_{J_MAX} - T_A)/\theta_{JA}$. The maximum power dissipation of 0.44 W is determined using $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$, $\theta_{JA} = 225^\circ\text{C/W}$, and $T_{J_MAX} = 125^\circ\text{C}$.

6.2 ESD Ratings

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

		VALUE	UNIT	
$V_{(ESD)}$	Electrostatic discharge	Human-body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001 ⁽¹⁾	2500	V

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

6.3 Recommended Operating Ratings

		MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
	Supply voltage	2.7		10	V
T_J	Operating junction temperature	-40		125	°C

6.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC ⁽¹⁾		LM3475	UNIT
		DBV (SOT-23)	
		5 PINS	
$R_{\theta JA}$	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	164.2	°C/W
$R_{\theta JC(top)}$	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	115.3	°C/W
$R_{\theta JB}$	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	27.0	°C/W
Ψ_{JT}	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	12.8	°C/W
Ψ_{JB}	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	26.5	°C/W
$R_{\theta JC(bot)}$	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	N/A	°C/W

- For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953](http://www.ti.com/lit/zip/Spra953).

6.5 Electrical Characteristics

Typical limits are for $T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$, unless otherwise specified, $V_{IN} = EN = 5.0\text{ V}$. Maximum and minimum specification limits are specified by design, test, or statistical analysis.

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS		MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT	
I_Q	Quiescent current	EN = V_{IN} (PGATE Open)	$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		260		μA	
			$T_J = -40^\circ\text{C}$ to $+125^\circ\text{C}$	170		320		
		EN = 0V	$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		7			
			$T_J = -40^\circ\text{C}$ to $+125^\circ\text{C}$	4		10		
V_{FB}	Feedback voltage	$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$			0.8		V	
		$T_J = -40^\circ\text{C}$ to $+125^\circ\text{C}$		0.788		0.812		
$\% \Delta V_{FB} / \Delta V_{IN}$	Feedback voltage line regulation	2.7 V < V_{IN} < 10 V			0.01		%/V	
V_{HYST}	Comparator hysteresis	2.7 V < V_{IN} < 10 V	$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		21	28	mV	
			-40°C to $+125^\circ\text{C}$		21	32		
I_{FB}	FB bias current	$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$			50		nA	
		-40°C to $+125^\circ\text{C}$				600		
$V_{th_{EN}}$	Enable threshold voltage	Increasing	$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		1.5		V	
			-40°C to $+125^\circ\text{C}$	1.2		1.8		
	Hysteresis				365		mV	
I_{EN}	Enable leakage current	EN = 10 V	$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		0.025		μA	
			-40°C to $+125^\circ\text{C}$			1		
R_{PGATE}	Driver resistance	Source $I_{SOURCE} = 100\text{ mA}$			2.8		Ω	
		Sink $I_{SINK} = 100\text{ mA}$			1.8			
I_{PGATE}	Driver output current	Source $V_{PGATE} = 3.5\text{ V}$ $C_{PGATE} = 1\text{ nF}$			0.475		A	
		Sink $V_{PGATE} = 3.5\text{ V}$ $C_{PGATE} = 1\text{ nF}$			1.0			
T_{SS}	Soft-start time	2.7 V < V_{IN} < 10 V (EN Rising)			4		ms	
T_{ONMIN}	Minimum on-time	PGATE Open			180		ns	
V_{UVD}	Undervoltage detection	Measured at the FB Pin	$T_J = 25^\circ\text{C}$		0.56		V	
			-40°C to $+125^\circ\text{C}$	0.487		0.613		

6.6 Typical Characteristics

Unless specified otherwise, all curves taken at $V_{IN} = 5\text{ V}$, $V_{OUT} = 2.5\text{ V}$, $L = 10\ \mu\text{H}$, $C_{OUT} = 100\ \mu\text{F}$, $\text{ESR} = 100\ \text{m}\Omega$, and $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$.

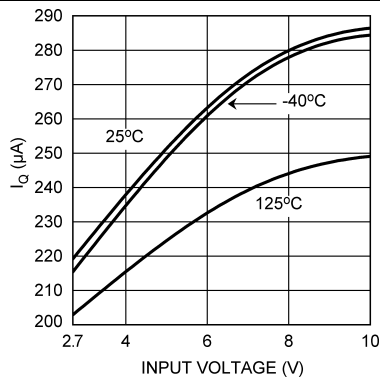


Figure 1. Quiescent Current vs Input Voltage

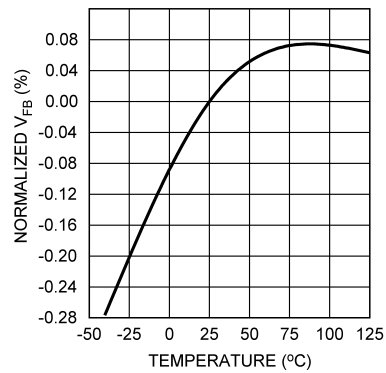


Figure 2. Feedback Voltage vs Temperature

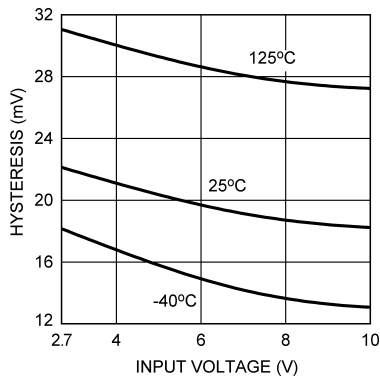


Figure 3. Hysteresis Voltage vs Input Voltage

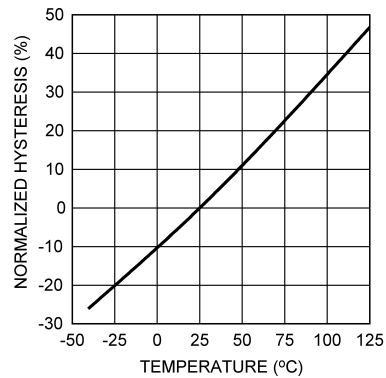


Figure 4. Hysteresis Voltage vs Temperature

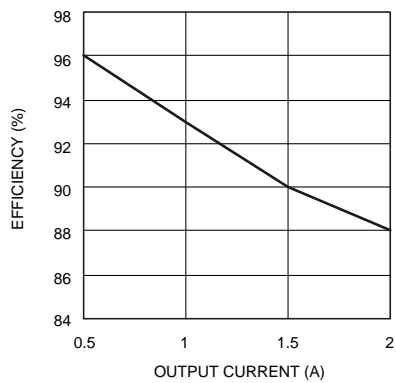


Figure 5. Efficiency vs Load Current

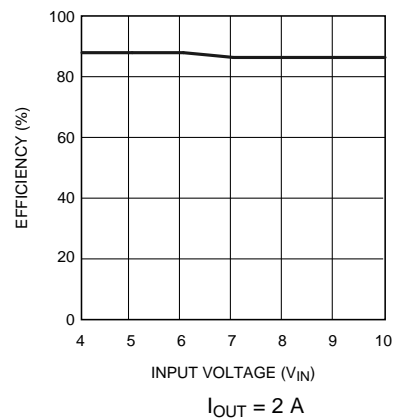


Figure 6. Efficiency vs Input Voltage

Typical Characteristics (continued)

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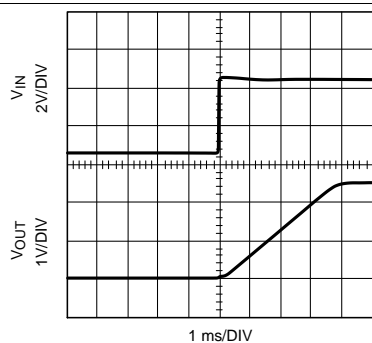


Figure 7. Start Up

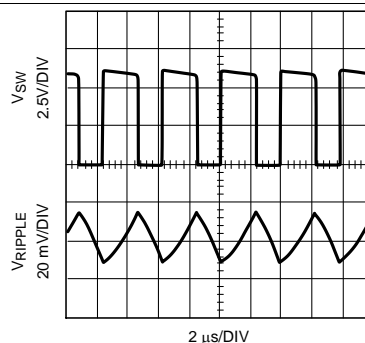


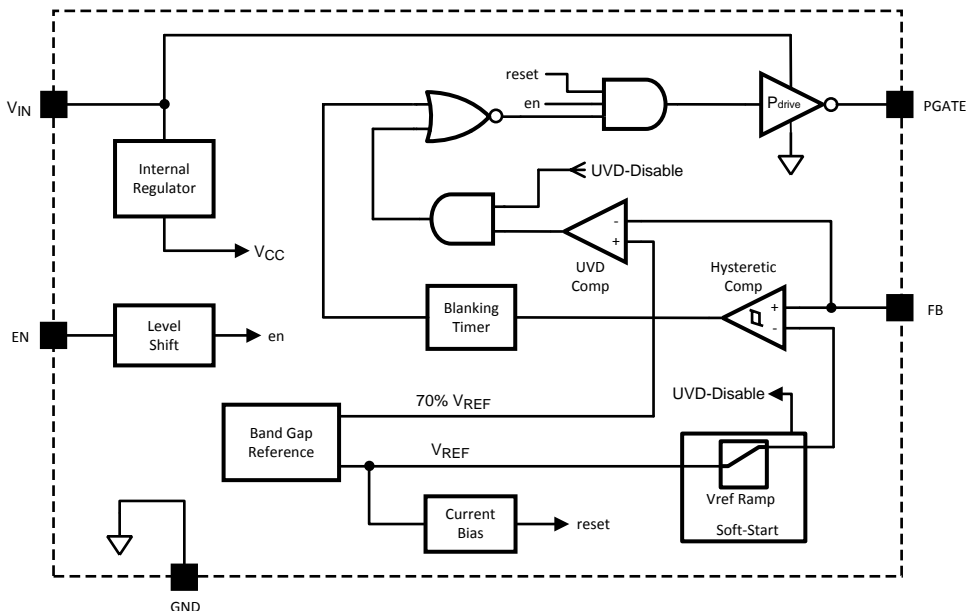
Figure 8. Output Ripple Voltage

7 Detailed Description

7.1 Overview

The LM3475 is a buck (step-down) DC-DC controller that uses a hysteretic control architecture, which results in Pulse Frequency Modulated (PFM) regulation. The hysteretic control scheme does not utilize an internal oscillator. Switching frequency depends on external components and operating conditions. Operating frequency decreases at light loads, resulting in excellent efficiency compared to PWM architectures. Because switching is directly controlled by the output conditions, hysteretic control provides exceptional load transient response.

7.2 Functional Block Diagram



7.3 Feature Description

7.3.1 Hysteretic Control Circuit

The LM3475 uses a comparator-based voltage control loop. The voltage on the feedback pin is compared to a 0.8V reference with 21mV of hysteresis. When the FB input to the comparator falls below the reference voltage, the output of the comparator goes low. This results in the driver output, PGATE, pulling the gate of the PFET low and turning on the PFET.

With the PFET on, the input supply charges C_{OUT} and supplies current to the load through the PFET and the inductor. Current through the inductor ramps up linearly, and the output voltage increases. As the FB voltage reaches the upper threshold (reference voltage plus hysteresis) the output of the comparator goes high, and the PGATE turns the PFET off. When the PFET turns off, the catch diode turns on, and the current through the inductor ramps down. As the output voltage falls below the reference voltage, the cycle repeats. The resulting output, inductor current, and switch node waveforms are shown in [Figure 9](#).

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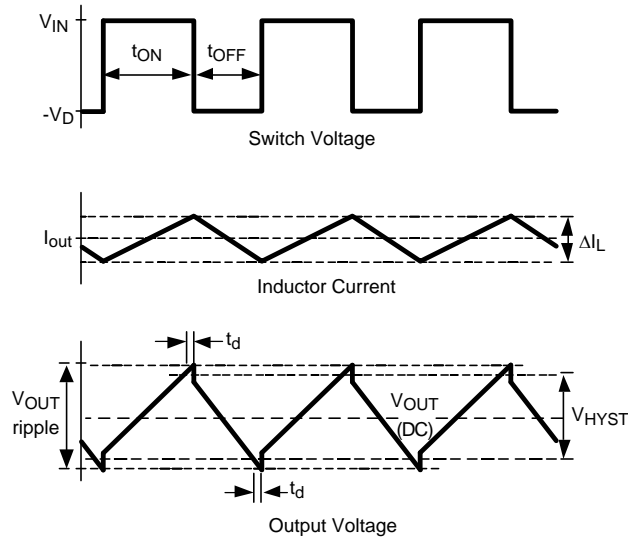


Figure 9. Hysteretic Waveforms

7.3.2 Soft-Start

The LM3475 includes an internal soft-start function to protect components from excessive inrush current and output voltage overshoot. As V_{IN} rises above 2.7 V (typical), the internal bias circuitry becomes active. When EN goes high, the device enters soft-start. During soft-start, the reference voltage is ramped up to the nominal value of 0.8 V in approximately 4ms. Duty cycle and output voltage will increase as the reference voltage is ramped up.

7.3.3 Under Voltage Detection

When the output voltage falls below 70% (typical) of the normal voltage, as measured at the FB pin, the device turns off PFET and restarts a new soft-start cycle. In short circuit, the PFET is always on, and the converter is effectively a resistor divider from input to output to ground. Whether the part restarts depends on the power path resistance and the short circuit resistance. This feature should not be considered as overcurrent protection or output short circuit protection.

7.3.4 PGATE

During switching, the PGATE pin swings from V_{IN} (off) to ground (on). As input voltage increases, the time it takes to slew the gate of the PFET on and off also increases. Also, as the PFET gate voltage approaches V_{IN} , the PGATE current driving capability decreases. This can cause a significant additional delay in turning the switch off when using a PFET with a low threshold voltage. These two effects will increase power dissipation and reduce efficiency. Therefore, a PFET with relatively high threshold voltage and low gate capacitance is recommended.

7.3.5 Minimum On or Off Time

To ensure accurate comparator switching, the LM3475 imposes a blanking time after each comparator state change. This blanking time is 180 ns typically. Immediately after the comparator goes high or low, it will be held in that state for the duration of the blanking time. This helps keep the hysteretic comparator from improperly responding to switching noise spikes (See [Reducing Switching Noise](#)) and ESL spikes (See [Output Capacitor Selection](#)) at the output.

At very low or very high duty cycle operation, maximum frequency will be limited by the blanking time. The maximum operating frequency can be determined by the following equations:

$$F_{MAX} = D / t_{on_{min}} \quad (1)$$

$$F_{MAX} = (1-D) / t_{off_{min}}$$

where

Feature Description (continued)

- D is the duty cycle, defined as V_{OUT}/V_{IN} , and $t_{on_{min}}$
- $t_{off_{min}}$ is the sum of the blanking time, the propagation delay time, and the PFET delay time (see [Figure 9](#)) (2)

7.3.6 Enable Pin (EN)

The LM3475 provides a shutdown function via the EN pin to disable the device. The device is active when the EN pin is pulled above 1.5 V (typ) and in shutdown mode when EN is below 1.135 V (typ). In shutdown mode, total quiescent current is less than 10 μ A. The EN pin can be directly connected to V_{IN} for always-on operation.

7.4 Device Functional Modes

The LM3475 operates in discontinuous conduction mode at light load current and continuous conduction mode at heavy load current. In discontinuous conduction mode, current through the inductor starts at zero and ramps up to the peak, then ramps down to zero. The next cycle starts when the FB voltage reaches the reference voltage. Until then, the inductor current remains zero. Operating frequency is low, as are switching losses. In continuous conduction mode, current always flows through the inductor and never ramps down to zero.

8 Application 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.

8.1 Application Information

The LM3475 employs a hysteretic control architecture; which provides excellent load transient response and efficiency even at light loads, as compared to its PWM architectures. No external compensation is required which results in a simple design and low component count. A typical schematic is described in the next section.

8.2 Typical Application

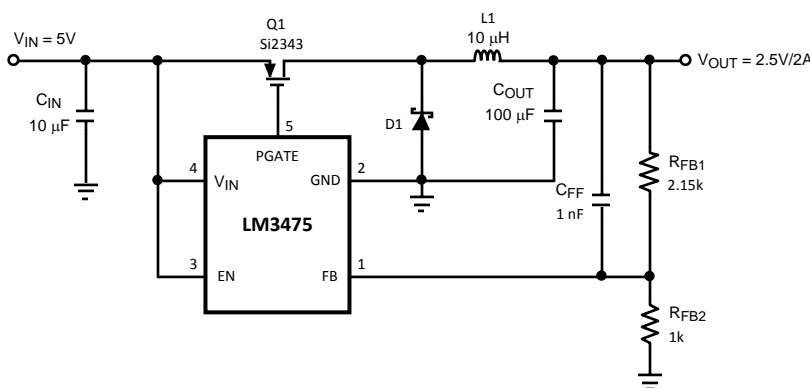


Figure 10. Full Demo Board Schematic

8.2.1 Design Requirements

To properly size the components for the application, the designer needs the following parameters: input voltage range, output voltage, output current range, and required switching frequency. These four main parameters affect the choices of component available to achieve a proper system behavior. Although hysteretic control is a simple control scheme, the operating frequency and other performance characteristics depend on external conditions and components. If the inductance, output capacitance, ESR, V_{IN} , or C_{ff} is changed, there will be a change in the operating frequency and possibly output ripple. Therefore, care must be taken to select components which will provide the desired operating range.

8.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

Table 1. Bill of Materials

DESIGNATOR	DESCRIPTION	PART NUMBER	VENDOR
C_{IN}	10 μ F, 16 V, X5R	EMK325BJ106MN	TAIYO YUDEN
C_{OUT}	100 μ F, 6 V, Ta	TPSY107M006R0100	AVX
C_{FF}	1 nF, 25 V, X7R	VJ1206Y102KXXA	Vishay
D1	Schottky, 20 V, 2 A	CMSH2-20L	Central Semiconductor
L1	10 μ H, 3.1 A	CDRH103R100	Sumida
Q1	30 V, 2.5 A	Si2343	Vishay
R_{FB2}	1 k Ω , 0805, 1%	CRW08051001F	Vishay
R_{FB1}	2.15 k Ω , 0805, 1%	CRCW08052151F	Vishay

8.2.2.1 Setting Output Voltage

The output voltage is programmed using a resistor divider between V_{OUT} and GND as shown in Figure 11. The feedback resistors can be calculated as follows:

$$V_{OUT} = \frac{R_1 + R_2}{R_2} \times V_{FB}$$

where

- V_{fb} is 0.8 V typically (3)

The feedback resistor ratio, $\alpha = (R_1 + R_2) / R_2$, will also be used below to calculate output ripple and operating frequency.

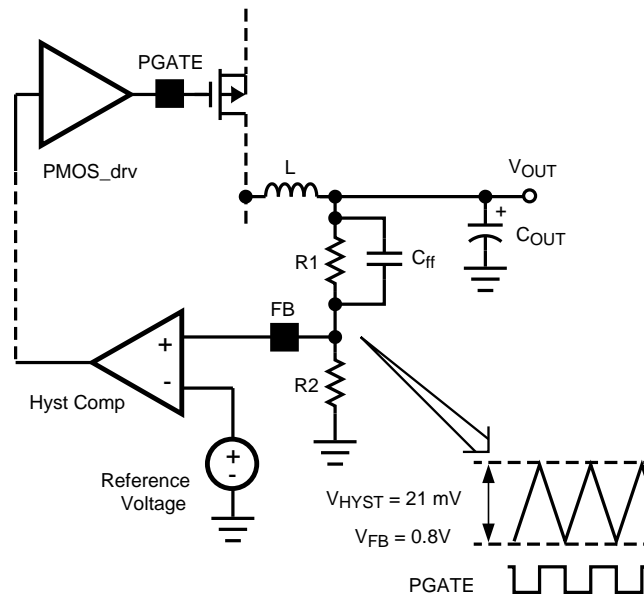


Figure 11. Hysteretic Window

8.2.2.2 Setting Operating Frequency and Output Ripple

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Without the feedforward capacitor (C_{ff}), the operating frequency (F) can be approximately calculated using the formula:

$$F = \frac{V_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \times \frac{(V_{IN} - V_{OUT}) \times ESR}{(V_{HYST} \times \alpha \times L) + (V_{IN} \times \text{delay} \times ESR)}$$

where

- Delay is the sum of the LM3475 propagation delay time and the PFET delay time
- The propagation delay is 90ns typically (4)

Minimum output ripple voltage can be determined using the following equation:

$$V_{OUT_PP} = V_{HYST} (R_1 + R_2) / R_2 \tag{5}$$

8.2.2.3 Using a Feed-forward Capacitor

The operating frequency and output ripple voltage can also be significantly influenced using a speed up capacitor, C_{ff} , as shown in [Figure 11](#). C_{ff} is connected in parallel with the high side feedback resistor, R1. The output ripple causes a current to be sourced or sunk through this capacitor. This current is essentially a square wave. Since the input to the feedback pin (FB) is a high impedance node, the bulk of the current flows through R2. This superimposes a square wave ripple voltage on the FB node. The end result is a reduction in output ripple and an increase in operating frequency. When adding C_{ff} , calculate the formula above with $\alpha = 1$. The value of C_{ff} depends on the desired operating frequency and the value of R2. A good starting point is 1nF ceramic at 100kHz decreasing linearly with increased operating frequency. Also note that as the output voltage is programmed below 1.6V, the effect of C_{ff} will decrease significantly.

8.2.2.4 Inductor Selection

The most important parameters for the inductor are the inductance and the current rating. The LM3475 operates over a wide frequency range and can use a wide range of inductance values. Minimum inductance can be calculated using the following equation:

$$L = \frac{V_{IN} - V_{SD} - V_{OUT}}{\Delta I} \times \frac{D}{F}$$

where

- D is the duty cycle, defined as V_{OUT}/V_{IN}
- ΔI is the allowable inductor ripple current

Maximum allowable inductor ripple current should be calculated as a function of output current (I_{OUT}) as shown below:

$$\Delta I_{max} = I_{OUT} \times 0.3$$

The inductor must also be rated to handle the peak current (I_{PK}) and RMS current given by:

$$I_{PK} = (I_{OUT} + \Delta I/2) \times 1.1 \tag{7}$$

$$I_{RMS} = \sqrt{I_{OUT}^2 + \frac{\Delta I^2}{3}} \tag{8}$$

The inductance value and the resulting ripple is one of the key parameters controlling operating frequency.

8.2.2.5 Output Capacitor Selection

Once the desired operating frequency and inductance value are selected, ESR must be selected based on [Equation 4](#). This process may involve a few iterations to select standard ESR and inductance values.

In general, the ESR of the output capacitor and the inductor ripple current create the output ripple of the regulator. However, the comparator hysteresis sets the first order value of this ripple. Therefore, as ESR and ripple current vary, operating frequency must also vary to keep the output ripple voltage regulated. The hysteretic control topology is well suited to using ceramic output capacitors. However, ceramic capacitors have a very low ESR, resulting in a 90° phase shift of the output voltage ripple. This results in low operating frequency and increased output ripple. To fix this problem a low value resistor could be added in series with the ceramic output capacitor. Although counter intuitive, this combination of a ceramic capacitor and external series resistance provide highly accurate control over the output voltage ripple. Another method is to add an external ramp at the FB pin as shown in [Figure 12](#). By proper selection of R1 and C2, the FB pin sees faster voltage change than the output ripple can cause. As a result, the switching frequency is higher while the output ripple becomes lower. The switching frequency is approximately:

$$F = \frac{V_{IN}}{2\pi \times R_1 \times C_2 \times V_{HYS}} \tag{9}$$

Other types of capacitor, such as Sanyo POSCAP, OS-CON, and Nichicon 'NA' series are also recommended and may be used without additional series resistance. For all practical purposes, any type of output capacitor may be used with proper circuit verification.

Capacitors with high ESL (equivalent series inductance) values should not be used. As shown in [Figure 9](#), the output ripple voltage contains a small step at both the high and low peaks. This step is caused by and is directly proportional to the output capacitor's ESL. A large ESL, such as in an electrolytic capacitor, can create a step large enough to cause abnormal switching behavior.

8.2.2.6 Input Capacitor Selection

A bypass capacitor is required between V_{IN} and ground. It must be placed near the source of the external PFET. The input capacitor prevents large voltage transients at the input and provides the instantaneous current when the PFET turns on. The important parameters for the input capacitor are the voltage rating and the RMS current rating. Follow the manufacturer's recommended voltage de-rating. RMS current and power dissipation (PD) can be calculated with the equations below:

$$I_{RMS_CIN} = \frac{I_{OUT}}{V_{IN}} \sqrt{V_{OUT} \times (V_{IN} - V_{OUT})} \quad (10)$$

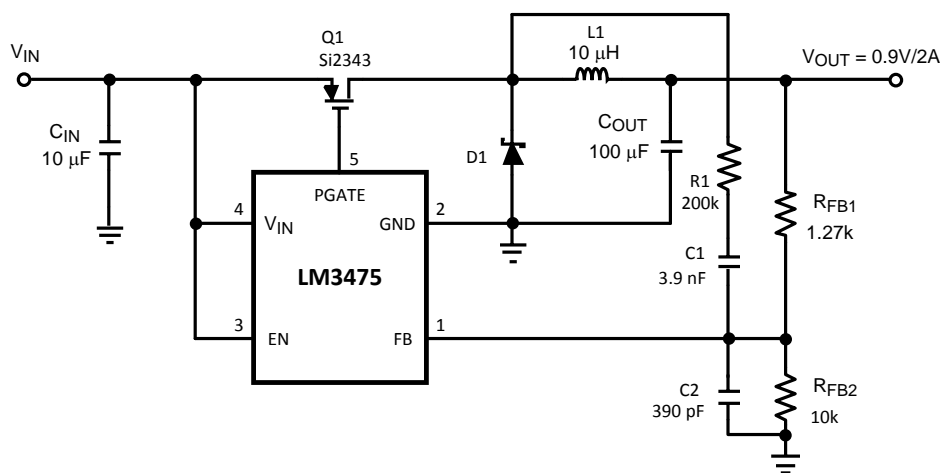


Figure 12. External Ramp

8.2.2.7 Diode Selection

The catch diode provides the current path to the load during the PFET off time. Therefore, the current rating of the diode must be higher than the average current through the diode, which be calculated as shown:

$$I_{D_AVE} = I_{OUT} \times (1 - D) \quad (11)$$

The peak voltage across the catch diode is approximately equal to the input voltage. Therefore, the diode's peak reverse voltage rating should be greater than 1.3 times the input voltage.

A Schottky diode is recommended, since a low forward voltage drop will improve efficiency.

For high temperature applications, diode leakage current may become significant and require a higher reverse voltage rating to achieve acceptable performance.

8.2.2.8 P-Channel MOSFET Selection

The PFET switch should be selected based on the maximum Drain-Source voltage (V_{DS}), Drain current rating (I_D), maximum Gate-Source voltage (V_{GS}), on resistance ($R_{DS(ON)}$), and Gate capacitance. The voltage across the PFET when it is turned off is equal to the sum of the input voltage and the diode forward voltage. The V_{DS} must be selected to provide some margin beyond the sum of the input voltage and V_d .

Since the current flowing through the PFET is equal to the current through the inductor, I_D must be rated higher than the maximum I_{PK} . During switching, PGATE swings the PFET's gate from V_{IN} to ground. Therefore, A PFET must be selected with a maximum V_{GS} larger than V_{IN} . To insure that the PFET turns on completely and quickly, refer to the [PGATE](#) section.

The power loss in the PFET consists of switching losses and conducting losses. Although switching losses are difficult to precisely calculate, the equation below can be used to estimate total power dissipation. Increasing R_{DSON} will increase power losses and degrade efficiency. Note that switching losses will also increase with lower gate threshold voltages.

$$PD_{\text{switch}} = R_{\text{DSON}} \times (I_{\text{OUT}})^2 \times D + F \times I_{\text{OUT}} \times V_{\text{IN}} \times (t_{\text{on}} + t_{\text{off}}) / 2$$

where

- t_{on} = FET turn on time
- t_{off} = FET turn off time
- A value of 10ns to 50ns is typical for t_{on} and t_{off}

(12)

Note that the R_{DSON} has a positive temperature coefficient. At 100°C, the R_{DSON} may be as much as 150% higher than the value at 25°C.

The Gate capacitance of the PFET has a direct impact on both PFET transition time and the power dissipation in the LM3475. Most of the power dissipated in the LM3475 is used to drive the PFET switch. This power can be calculated as follows:

The amount of average gate driver current required during switching (I_G) is:

$$I_G = Q_g \times F \quad (13)$$

And the total power dissipated in the device is:

$$I_q V_{\text{IN}} + I_G V_{\text{IN}}$$

where

- I_q is typically 260µA as shown in [Electrical Characteristics](#)

(14)

As gate capacitance increases, operating frequency may need to be reduced, or additional heat sinking may be required to lower the power dissipation in the device.

In general, keeping the gate capacitance below 2000 pF is recommended to keep transition times (switching losses), and power losses low.

8.2.2.9 Reducing Switching Noise

Although the LM3475 employs internal noise suppression circuitry, external noise may continue to be excessive. There are several methods available to reduce noise and EMI.

MOSFETs are very fast switching devices. The fast increase in PFET current coupled with parasitic trace inductance can create unwanted noise spikes at both the switch node and at V_{IN} . Switching noise will increase with load current and input voltage. This noise can also propagate through the ground plane, sometimes causing unpredictable device performance. Slowing the rise and fall times of the PFET can be very effective in reducing this noise. Referring to [Figure 13](#), the PFET can be slowed down by placing a small (1-Ω to 10-Ω) resistor in series with PGATE. However, this resistor will increase the switching losses in the PFET and will lower efficiency. Therefore it should be kept as small as possible and only used when necessary. Another method to reduce switching noise (other than good PCB layout, see [Layout](#)) is to use a small RC filter or snubber. The snubber should be placed in parallel with the catch diode, connected close to the drain of the PFET, as shown in [Figure 13](#). Again, the snubber should be kept as small as possible to limit its impact on system efficiency. A typical range is a 10-Ω to 100-Ω resistor and a 470-pF to 2.2-nF ceramic capacitor.

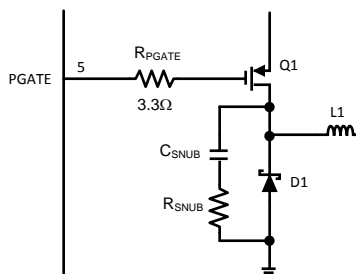


Figure 13. PGATE Resistor and Snubber

8.2.3 Application Curves

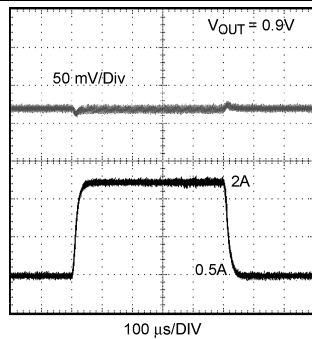


Figure 14. Load Transient Response with External Ramp
(Circuit from [Figure 12](#))

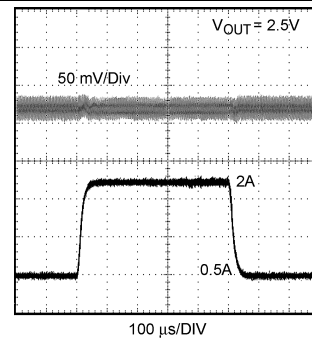


Figure 15. Load Transient Response
(Typical Application Circuit from [Figure 16](#))

9 Power Supply Recommendations

The LM3475 controller is designed to operate from various DC power supplies. VIN input should be protected from reversal voltage and voltage dump over 16 volts. The impedance of the input supply rail should be low enough that the input current transient does not cause drop below VIN UVLO level. If the input supply is connected by using long wires, additional bulk capacitance may be required in addition to normal input capacitor.

10 Layout

10.1 Layout Guidelines

PC board layout is very important in all switching regulator designs. Poor layout can cause EMI problems, excess switching noise and poor operation.

As shown in [Figure 16](#), place the ground of the input capacitor as close as possible to the anode of the diode. This path also carries a large AC current. The switch node, the node connecting the diode cathode, inductor, and PFET drain, should be kept as small as possible. This node is one of the main sources for radiated EMI.

The feedback pin is a high impedance node and is therefore sensitive to noise. Be sure to keep all feedback traces away from the inductor and the switch node, which are sources of noise. Also, the resistor divider should be placed close to the FB pin. The gate pin of the external PFET should be located close to the PGATE pin.

TI also recommends using a large, continuous ground plane, particularly in higher current applications.

10.2 Layout Example

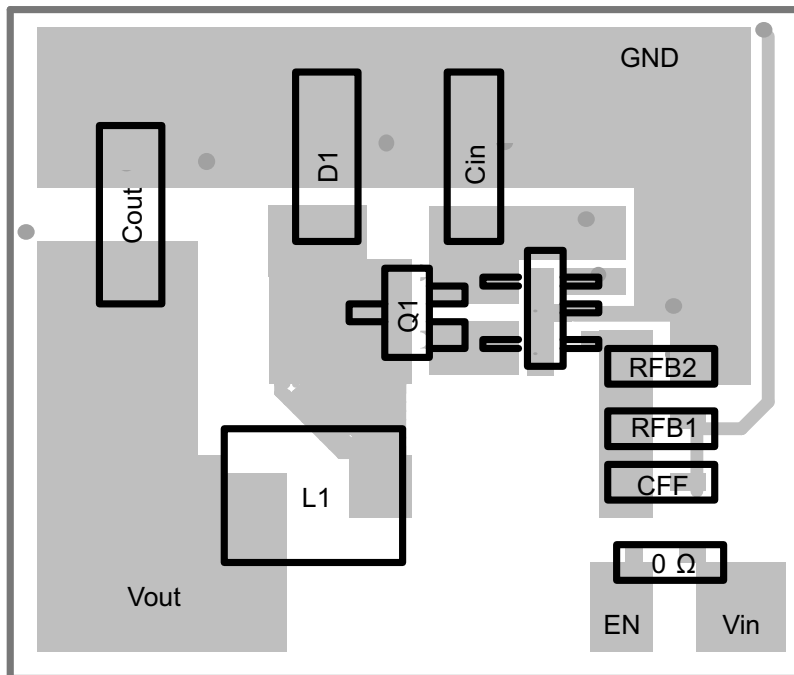


Figure 16. Layout Example (2:1 Scale)

11 Device and Documentation Support

11.1 Device Support

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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.

11.5 Glossary

[SLYZ022](#) — *TI Glossary*.

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

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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LM3475MF	NRND	SOT-23	DBV	5		TBD	Call TI	Call TI	-40 to 125	S65B	
LM3475MF/NOPB	ACTIVE	SOT-23	DBV	5	1000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	S65B	Samples
LM3475MFX/NOPB	ACTIVE	SOT-23	DBV	5	3000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU SN	Level-1-260C-UNLIM	-40 to 125	S65B	Samples

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 - C. Body dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusion. Mold flash and protrusion shall not exceed 0.15 per side.
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PLASTIC SMALL OUTLINE



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 - D. Publication IPC-7351 is recommended for alternate designs.
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