Stand-Alone Synchronous Switch-Mode Lithium Phosphate Battery Charger With Low I_q

Check for Samples: bq24620

FEATURES

- 300-kHz NMOS-NMOS Synchronous Buck Converter
- Stand-Alone Charger Designed Specifically for Lithium Phosphate
- 5-V–28-V VCC Operating Range, Supports 1–7 Battery Cells
- High-Accuracy Voltage and Current Regulation
  - ±0.5% Charge Voltage Accuracy
  - ±3% Charge Current Accuracy
- Integration
  - Internal Loop Compensation
  - Internal Soft Start
- Safety
  - Input Overvoltage Protection
  - Battery Thermistor Sense Suspend Charge at Hot/Cold Charge Suspend and Automatically I_{CHARGE}/8 at WARM/COOL
  - Battery Detection
  - Built-In Safety Timer
  - Charge Overcurrent Protection
  - Battery Short Protection
  - Battery Overvoltage Protection
  - Thermal Shutdown
- Status Outputs
  - Adapter Present
  - Charger Operation Status
- Charge Enable Pin
- 6-V Gate Drive for Synchronous Buck Converter
- 30-ns Driver Dead Time and 99.95% Max. Effective Duty Cycle
- 16-Pin 3.5-mm × 3.5-mm QFN Package
- Energy Star Low Iq
  - < 15-μA Off-State Battery Discharge Current
  - < 1.5-mA Off-State Input Quiescent Current

APPLICATIONS

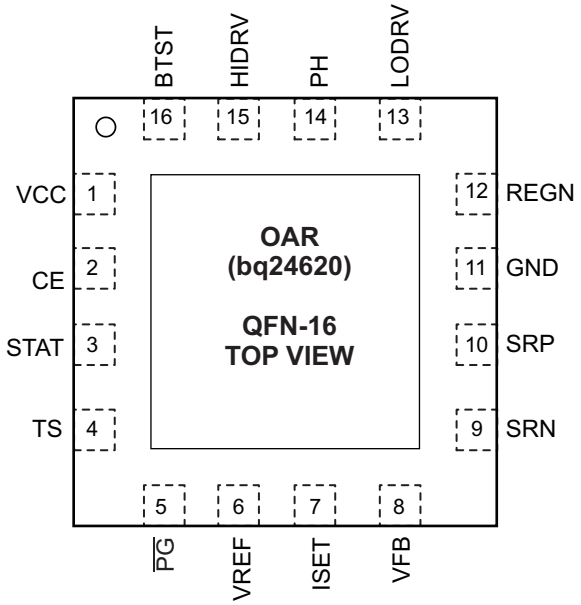
- Power Tool and Portable Equipment
- Personal Digital Assistants
- Handheld Terminals
- Industrial and Medical Equipment
- Netbook, Mobile Internet Device, and Ultramobile PC

DESCRIPTION

The bq24620 is a highly integrated switch-mode battery charge controller designed specifically for lithium phosphate batteries. It offers a constant-frequency synchronous PWM controller with high-accuracy current and voltage regulation, charge preconditioning, termination, and charge status monitoring.

The bq24620 charges the battery in three phases: preconditioning, constant-current, and constant-voltage. Charge is terminated when the current reaches a minimum level. An internal charge timer provides a safety backup. The bq24620 automatically restarts the charge cycle if the battery voltage falls below an internal threshold, and enters a low-quiescent-current sleep mode when the input voltage falls below the battery voltage.

PACKAGE



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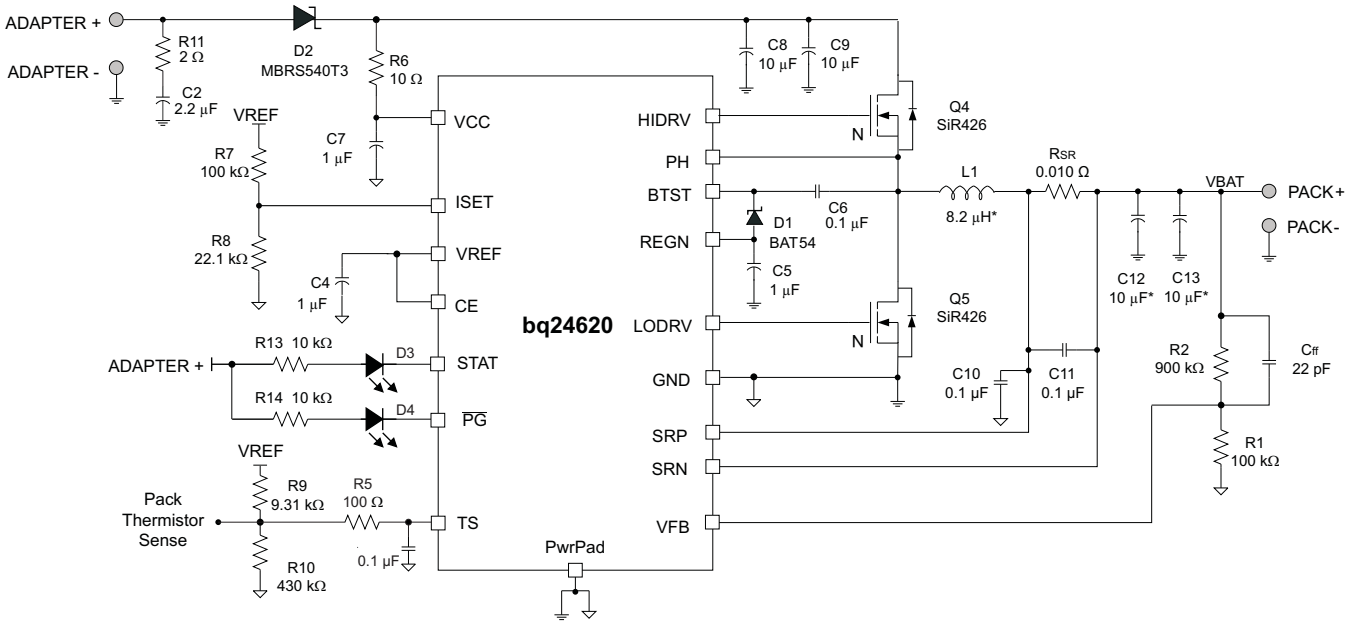
ESD damage can range from subtle performance degradation to complete device failure. Precision integrated circuits may be more susceptible to damage because very small parametric changes could cause the device not to meet its published specifications.

TYPICAL APPLICATION



NOTE: VIN = 28 V, BAT = 5-cell Li-Phosphate, I_{charge} = 3 A, $I_{pre\text{-}charge}$ = 0.125 A, I_{term} = 0.3 A

Figure 1. Typical System Schematic

ORDERING INFORMATION

PART NUMBER	IC MARKING	PACKAGE	ORDERING NUMBER (Tape and Reel)	QUANTITY
bq24620	OAR	16-pin 3.5-mm × 3.5-mm QFN	bq24620RVAR	3000
			bq24620RVAT	250

THERMAL INFORMATION

THERMAL METRIC(1)		bq24620 VAR 16 PINS	UNIT
θ_{JA}	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance(2)	43.8	°C/W
θ_{JCtop}	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance(3)	81	°C/W
θ_{JB}	Junction-to-board thermal resistance(4)	16	°C/W
ψ_{JT}	Junction-to-top characterization parameter(5)	0.6	°C/W
ψ_{JB}	Junction-to-board characterization parameter(6)	15.77	°C/W
θ_{JCbot}	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance(7)	4	°C/W

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, SPRA953.
(2) The junction-to-ambient thermal resistance under natural convection is obtained in a simulation on a JEDEC-standard, high-K board, as specified in JESD51-7, in an environment described in JESD51-2a.
(3) The junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance is obtained by simulating a cold plate test on the package top. No specific JEDEC-standard test exists, but a close description can be found in the ANSI SEMI standard G30-88.
(4) The junction-to-board thermal resistance is obtained by simulating in an environment with a ring cold plate fixture to control the PCB temperature, as described in JESD51-8.
(5) The junction-to-top characterization parameter, ψ_{JT}, estimates the junction temperature of a device in a real system and is extracted from the simulation data for obtaining θ_{JA}, using a procedure described in JESD51-2a (sections 6 and 7).
(6) The junction-to-board characterization parameter, ψ_{JB}, estimates the junction temperature of a device in a real system and is extracted from the simulation data for obtaining θ_{JA} , using a procedure described in JESD51-2a (sections 6 and 7).
(7) The junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance is obtained by simulating a cold plate test on the exposed (power) pad. No specific JEDEC standard test exists, but a close description can be found in the ANSI SEMI standard G30-88.

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS(1) (2) (3)

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

		VALUE	UNIT
Voltage range	VCC, SRP, SRN, CE, STAT, $\overline{PG}$	–0.3 to 33	V
	PH	–2 to 36	V
	VFB	–0.3 to 16	V
	REGN, LODRV, TS	–0.3 to 7	V
	BTST, HIDRV with respect to GND	–0.3 to 39	V
	VREF, ISET	–0.3 to 3.6	V
Maximum difference voltage	SRP–SRN	–0.5 to 0.5	V
Junction temperature range, T_J		–40 to 155	°C
Storage temperature range, T_{stg}		–55 to 155	°C

(1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Absolute Maximum Ratings* may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Recommended Operating Conditions* is not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.
(2) All voltages are with respect to GND if not specified. Currents are positive into, negative out of the specified terminal. Consult the packaging section of the data book for thermal limitations and considerations of packages.
(3) Must have a series resistor between battery pack to VFB if battery pack voltage is expected to be greater than 16 V. Usually the resistor-divider top resistor takes care of this.

RECOMMENDED OPERATING CONDITIONS

			VALUE	UNIT
	Voltage range	VCC, SRP, SRN, CE, STAT, $\overline{PG}$	–0.3 to 28	V
		PH	–2 to 30	V
		VFB	–0.3 to 14	V
		REGN, LODRV, TS	–0.3 to 6.5	V
		BTST, HIDRV with respect to GND	–0.3 to 34	V
		ISET	–0.3 to 3.3	V
		VREF	3.3	V
	Maximum difference voltage	SRP–SRN	–0.2 to 0.2	V
T_J	Junction temperature range		0 to 125	°C
T_{stg}	Storage temperature range		–55 to 155	°C

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

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PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
OPERATING CONDITIONS						
V_{VCC_OP}	VCC input voltage operating range		5		28	V
QUIESCENT CURRENTS						
I_{BAT}	Total battery discharge current (sum of currents into VCC, BTST, PH, SRP, SRN, VFB), VFB ≤ 2.1 V	V_{VCC} < V_{SRN}, V_{VCC} > V_{UVLO} (SLEEP)			15	µA
I_{AC}	Adapter supply current (current into VCC pin)	V_{VCC} > V_{SRN}, V_{VCC} > V_{UVLO} CE = LOW (IC quiescent current)		1	1.5	mA
		V_{VCC} > V_{SRN}, V_{VCC} > V_{VCCLOW}, CE = HIGH, charge done		2	5	
		V_{VCC} > V_{SRN}, V_{VCC} > V_{VCCLOW}, CE = HIGH, Charging, Qg_total = 20 nC, V_{VCC} = 20 V		12		
CHARGE VOLTAGE REGULATION						
V_{FB}	Feedback regulation voltage			1.8		V
	Charge voltage regulation accuracy	T_J = 0°C to 85°C	–0.5%		0.5%	
		T_J = –40°C to 125°C	–0.7%		0.7%	
I_{VFB}	Input leakage current into VFB pin	VFB = 1.8 V			100	nA
CURRENT REGULATION – FAST CHARGE						
V_{ISET}	ISET voltage range		0		2	V
V_{IREG_CHG}	SRP–SRN current-sense voltage range	V_{IREG_CHG} = V_{SRP} – V_{SRN}	0		100	mV
K_{ISET}	Charger current-set factor; amps of charge current per volt on ISET pin)	R_{SENSE} = 10 mΩ		5		A/V
	Charge-current regulation accuracy	V_{IREG_CHG} = 40 mV	–3%		3%	
		V_{IREG_CHG} = 20 mV	–4%		4%	
		V_{IREG_CHG} = 5 mV	–25%		25%	
		V_{IREG_CHG} = 1.5 mV (V_{SRN} > 3.1V)	–40%		40%	
I_{ISET}	Leakage current in to ISET Pin	V_{ISET} = 2 V			100	nA
CURRENT REGULATION – PRECHARGE						
	Precharge current	R_{SENSE} = 10 mΩ, VFB < V_{LOWV}	50	125	200	mA
CHARGE TERMINATION						
	Termination current range	R_{SENSE} = 10 mΩ		I_{CHARGE}/10		A
K_{TERM}	Termination current-set factor; amps of termination current per volt on ISET pin			0.5		A/V
	Termination current accuracy	V_{ITERM} = 10 mV	–10%		10%	
		V_{ITERM} = 5 mV	–25%		25%	
		V_{ITERM} = 1.5 mV	–45%		45%	
	Deglitch time for termination (both edge)			100		ms
t_{QUAL}	Termination qualification time	V_{BAT} > V_{RECH} and I_{CHARGE} < I_{TERM}		250		ms
I_{QUAL}	Termination qualification time	Discharge current once termination is detected		2		mA
INPUT UNDERVOLTAGE LOCKOUT COMPARATOR (UVLO)						
V_{UVLO}	AC undervoltage rising threshold	Measure on VCC	3.65	3.85	4	V
V_{UVLO_HYS}	AC undervoltage hysteresis, falling			350		mV
VCC LOWV COMPARATOR						
	Falling threshold, disable charge	Measure on VCC		4.1		V
	Rising threshold, resume charge			4.35	4.5	V
SLEEP COMPARATOR (REVERSE DISCHARGING PROTECTION)						
V_{SLEEP_FALL}	SLEEP falling threshold	V_{VCC} – V_{SRN} to enter SLEEP	40	100	150	mV
V_{SLEEP_HYS}	SLEEP hysteresis			500		mV
	SLEEP rising delay	VCC falling below SRN, delay to pull up $\overline{PG}$		1		µs
	SLEEP falling delay	VCC rising above SRN, delay to pull down $\overline{PG}$		30		ms
	SLEEP rising shutdown deglitch	VCC falling below SRN, Delay to enter SLEEP mode		100		ms

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS (continued)

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PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
	SLEEP falling powerup deglitch	VCC rising above SRN, Delay to come out of SLEEP mode		30		ms
BAT LOWV COMPARATOR						
V_{LOWV}	LOWV rising threshold (precharge to fast charge)	Measured on VFB pin	0.333	0.35	0.367	V
V_{LOWV_HYS}	LOWV hysteresis			100		mV
	LOWV rising deglitch	VFB falling below V_{LOWV}		25		ms
	LOWV falling deglitch	VFB rising above V_{LOWV} + V_{LOWV_HYS}		25		ms
RECHARGE COMPARATOR						
V_{RECHG}	Recharge threshold (with respect to V_{REG})	Measured on VFB pin	110	125	140	mV
	Recharge rising deglitch	VFB decreasing below V_{RECHG}		10		ms
	Recharge falling deglitch	VFB increasing above V_{RECHG}		10		ms
BAT OVERVOLTAGE COMPARATOR						
V_{OV_RISE}	Overvoltage rising threshold	As percentage of V_{FB}		108%		
V_{OV_FALL}	Overvoltage falling threshold	As percentage of V_{FB}		105%		
INPUT OVERVOLTAGE COMPARATOR (ACOV)						
V_{ACOV}	AC overvoltage rising threshold on VCC		31.04	32	32.96	V
V_{ACOV_HYS}	AC overvoltage falling hysteresis			1000		mV
	AC overvoltage rising deglitch	Delay to changing the STAT pins		1		ms
	AC overvoltage falling deglitch	Delay to changing the STAT pins		1		ms
THERMAL SHUTDOWN COMPARATOR						
T_{SHUT}	Thermal shutdown rising temperature	Temperature increasing		145		°C
T_{SHUT_HYS}	Thermal shutdown hysteresis			15		°C
	Thermal shutdown rising deglitch	Temperature increasing		100		µs
	Thermal shutdown falling deglitch	Temperature decreasing		10		ms
THERMISTOR COMPARATOR						
V_{LTF}	Cold temperature rising threshold	Charger suspended below this temperature	72.5%	73.5%	74.5%	
V_{LTF_HYS}	Cold temperature hysteresis		0.2%	0.4%	0.6%	
V_{COOL}	Cool temperature rising threshold	Charger enabled, cuts back to I_{CHARGE}/8 below this temperature	70.2%	70.7%	71.2%	
V_{COOL_HYS}	Cool temperature hysteresis		0.2%	0.6%	1.0%	
V_{WARM}	Warm temperature rising threshold	Charger cuts back to I_{CHARGE}/8 above this temperature	47.5%	48%	48.5%	
V_{WARM_HYS}	Warm temperature hysteresis		1.0%	1.2%	1.4%	
V_{HTF}	Hot temperature rising threshold	Charger suspended above this temperature before initiating charge	36.2%	37%	37.8%	
V_{TCO}	Cutoff temperature rising threshold	Charger suspended above this temperature during initiating charge	33.7%	34.4%	35.1%	
	Deglitch time for temperature out-of-range detection	V_{TS} > V_{LTF}, or V_{TS} < V_{TCO}, or V_{TS} < V_{HTF}		400		ms
	Deglitch time for temperature in-valid-range detection	V_{TS} < V_{LTF} – V_{LTF_HYS} or V_{TS} > V_{TCO}, or V_{TS} > V_{HTF}		20		ms
	Deglitch time for current reduction to I_{CHARGE}/8 due to warm or cool temperature	V_{TS} > V_{COOL}, or V_{TS} < V_{WARM}		25		ms
	Deglitch time to charge at I_{CHARGE} from I_{CHARGE}/8 when resuming from warm or cool temperatures	V_{TS} < V_{COOL} - V_{COOL_HYS}, or V_{TS} > V_{WARM} - V_{WARM_HYS}		25		ms
	Charge current due to warm or cool temperatures	V_{COOL} < V_{TS} < V_{LTF}, or V_{WARM} < V_{TS} < V_{HTF}, or V_{WARM} < V_{TS} < V_{TCO}		I_{CHARGE}/8		

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PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
CHARGE OVERCURRENT COMPARATOR (CYCLE-BY-CYCLE)						
V_{OC}	Charge overcurrent, falling threshold	Current rising, in non-synchronous mode, measure on $V_{(SRP-SRN)}$, V_{SRP} < 2 V		45.5		mV
		Current rising, as percentage of $V_{(IREG\_CHG)}$, in synchronous mode, V_{SRP} > 2.2 V		160%		
	Charge overcurrent, threshold floor	Minimum OCP threshold in synchronous mode, measure on $V_{(SRP-SRN)}$, V_{SRP} > 2.2 V		50		mV
	Charge overcurrent, threshold ceiling	Maximum OCP threshold in synchronous mode, measure on $V_{(SRP-SRN)}$, V_{SRP} > 2.2 V		180		mV
CHARGE UNDER-CURRENT COMPARATOR (CYCLE-BY-CYCLE)						
$V_{ISYNSET}$	Charge undercurrent, falling threshold	Switch from STNCH to NON-SYNCH, V_{SSP} > 2.2 V	1	5	9	mV
BATTERY SHORTED COMPARATOR (BATSHORT)						
V_{BATSHT}	BAT short falling threshold, forced non-syn mode	V_{SRP} falling		2		V
V_{BATSHT_HYS}	BAT short rising hysteresis			200		mV
V_{BATSHT_DEG}	Deglitch on both edges			1		µs
LOW CHARGE CURRENT COMPARATOR						
V_{LC}	Average low charge current, falling threshold	Measure on $V_{(SRP-SRN)}$, forced into non-synchronous mode		1.25		mV
V_{LC_HYS}	Low charge current, rising hysteresis			1.25		mV
V_{LC_DEG}	Deglitch on both edges			1		µs
VREF REGULATOR						
V_{VREF_REG}	VREF regulator voltage	V_{VCC} > V_{UVLO} (0 – 35 mA Load)	3.267	3.3	3.333	V
I_{VREF_LIM}	VREF current limit	V_{VREF} = 0 V, V_{VCC} > V_{UVLO}	35			mA
REGN REGULATOR						
V_{REGN_REG}	REGN regulator voltage	V_{VCC} > 10 V, CE = HIGH (0 – 40 mA Load)	5.7	6	6.3	V
I_{REGN_LIM}	REGN current limit	V_{REGN} = 0 V, V_{VCC} > V_{UVLO}	40			mA
SAFETY TIMER						
T_{PRECHG}	Precharge safety timer range(1)	Precharge time before fault occurs	1440	1800	2160	sec
T_{CHARGE}	Internal fast-charge safety timer(1)		4.25	5	5.75	Hr
BATTERY DETECTION						
t_{WAKE}	Wake timer	Max time charge is enabled		500		ms
I_{WAKE}	Wake current	R_{SENSE} = 10 mΩ	50	125	200	mA
$t_{DISCHARGE}$	Discharge timer	Max time discharge current is applied		1		sec
$I_{DISCHARGE}$	Discharge current			8		mA
I_{FAULT}	Fault current after a timeout fault			2		mA
V_{WAKE}	Wake threshold (relative to V_{REG})	Voltage on VFB to detect battery absent during wake		125		mV
V_{DISCH}	Discharge threshold	Voltage on VFB to detect battery absent during discharge		0.35		V
PWM HIGH SIDE DRIVER (HIDRV)						
$R_{DS\_HI\_ON}$	High-side driver (HSD) turn-on resistance	V_{BTST} – V_{PH} = 5.5 V		3.3	6	Ω
$R_{DS\_HI\_OFF}$	High-side driver turn-off resistance	V_{BTST} – V_{PH} = 5.5 V		1	1.3	Ω
$V_{BTST\_REFRESH}$	Bootstrap refresh comparator threshold voltage	V_{BTST} – V_{PH} when low-side refresh pulse is requested	4	4.2		V
PWM LOW SIDE DRIVER (LODRV)						
$R_{DS\_LO\_ON}$	Low-side driver (LSD) turnon resistance			4.1	7	Ω
$R_{DS\_LO\_OFF}$	Low-side driver turnoff resistance			1	1.4	Ω
PWM DRIVERS TIMING						
	Driver dead time	Dead time when switching between LSD and HSD, no load at LSD and HSD		30		ns

(1) Verified by design

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PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
PWM OSCILLATOR						
V_{RAMP_HEIGHT}	PWM ramp height	As percentage of VCC		7%		
	PWM switching frequency(2)		255	300	345	kHz
INTERNAL SOFT START (Eight Steps to Regulation Current I_{CHARGE})						
	Soft-start steps			8		step
	Soft-start step time			1.6		ms
CHARGER SECTION POWER-UP SEQUENCING						
	Charge-enable delay after power up	Delay from when CE = 1 to when the charger is allowed to turn on		1.5		s
LOGIC IO PIN CHARACTERISTICS						
V_{IN_LO}	CE input-low threshold voltage				0.8	V
V_{IN_HI}	CE input-high threshold voltage		2.1			V
V_{BIAS_CE}	CE input bias current	V = 3.3 V (CE has internal 1-MΩ pulldown resistor)			6	µA
V_{OUT_LO}	STAT, $\overline{PG}$ output-low saturation voltage	Sink current = 5 mA			0.5	V
I_{OUT_HI}	Leakage current	V = 32 V			1.2	µA

(2) Verified by design

TYPICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Table 1. Table of Graphs

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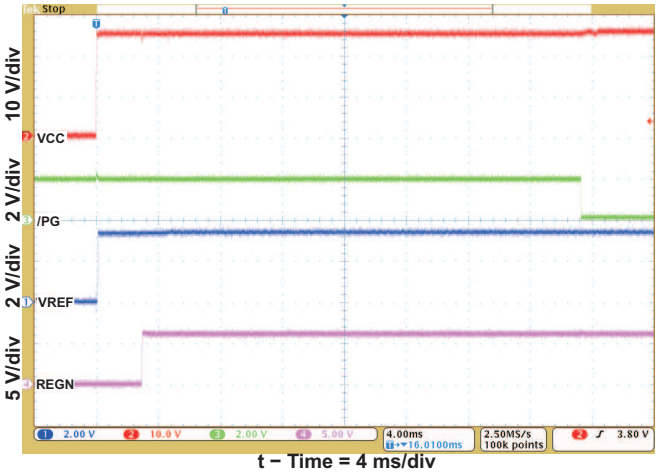
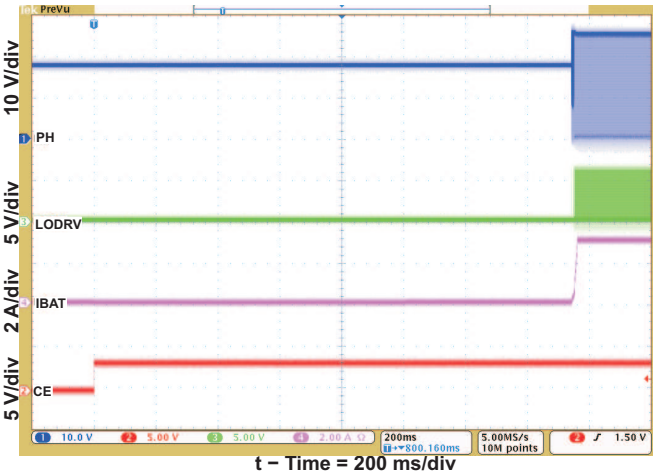


t – Time = 4 ms/div

Figure 2. REF, REGN, and $\overline{PG}$ Power Up (CE = 1)



t – Time = 200 ms/div

Figure 3. Charge Enable

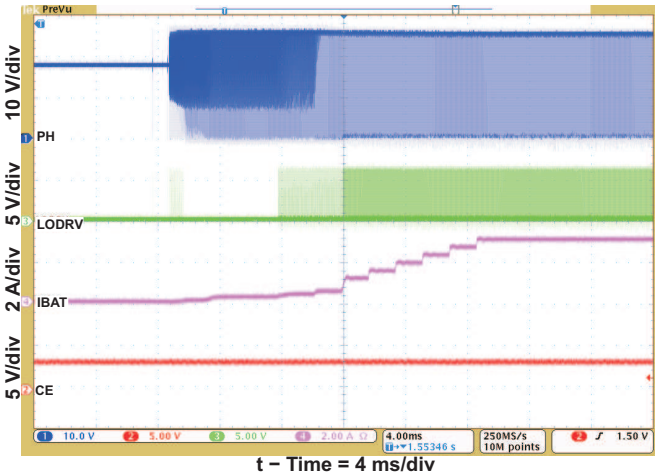


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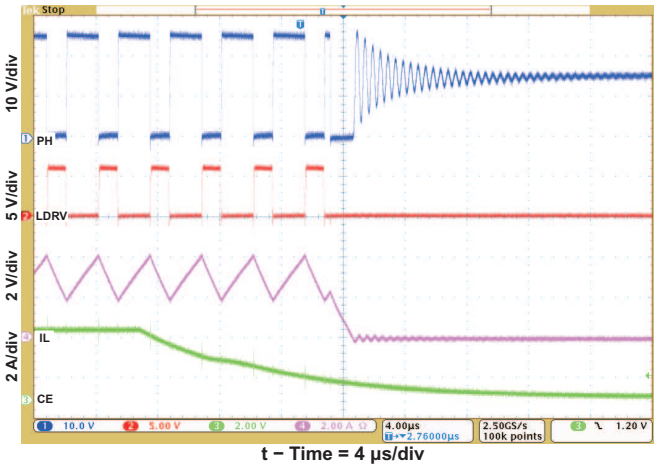
Figure 4. Current Soft-Start (CE = 1)



t – Time = 4 µs/div

Figure 5. Charge Disable

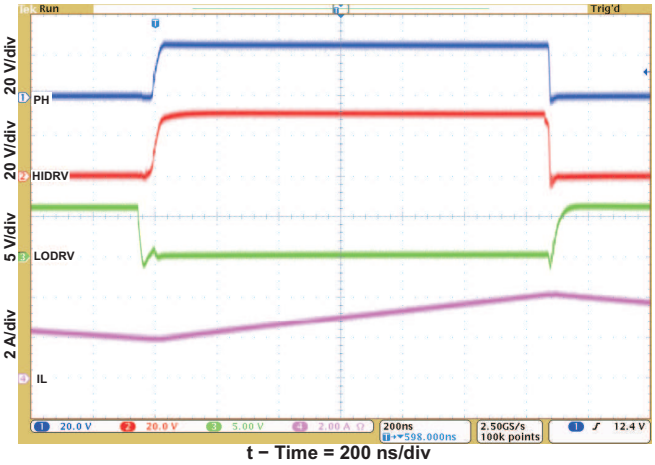
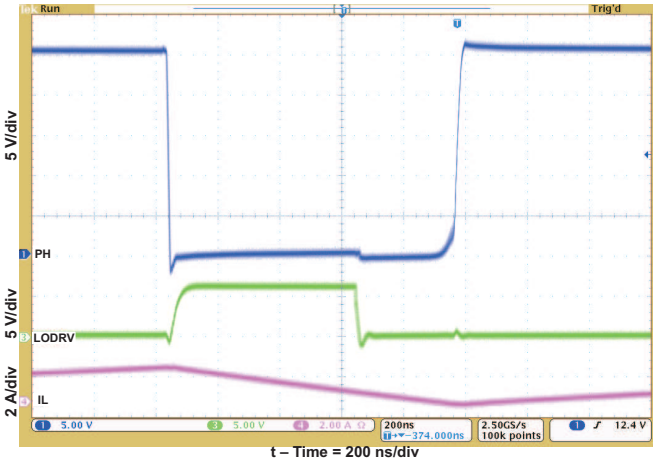


Figure 6. Continuous-Conduction-Mode Switching Waveform



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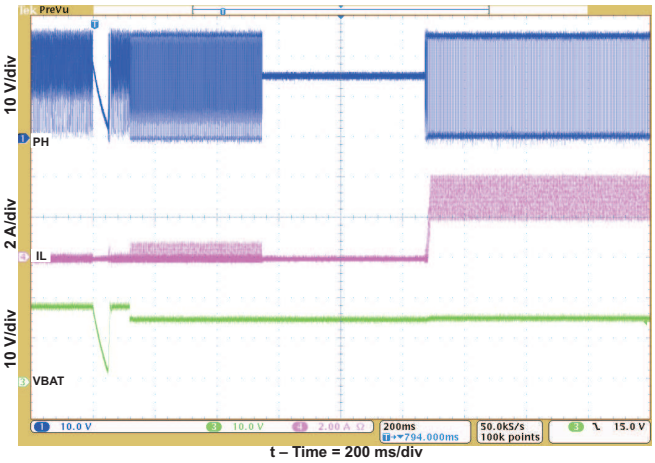

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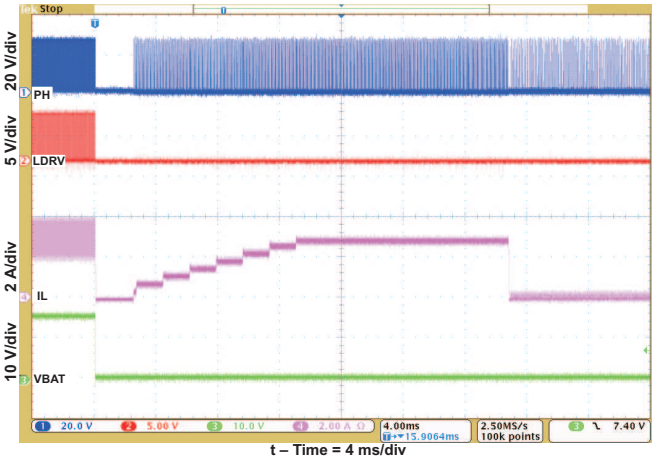


Figure 9. Battery-to-GND Short Protection

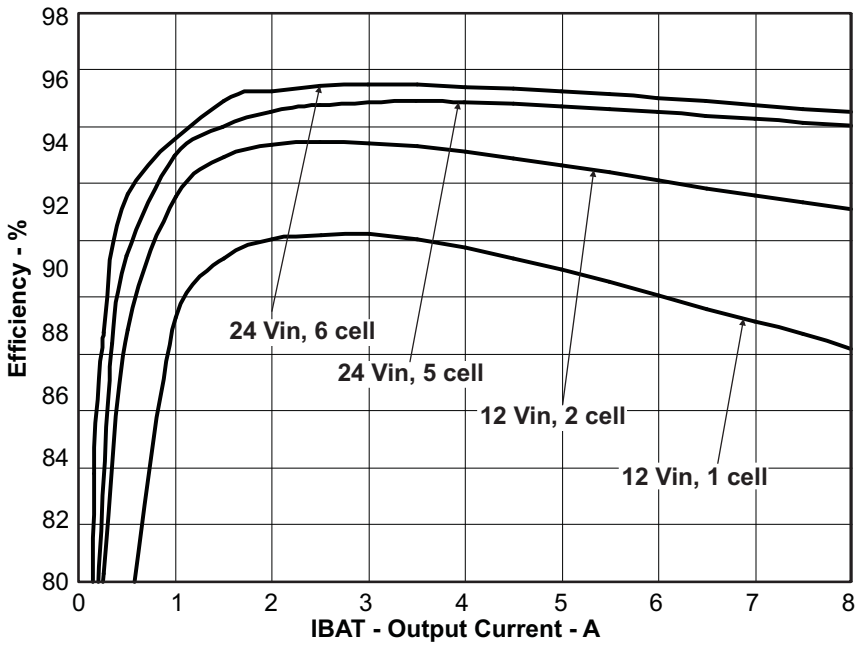
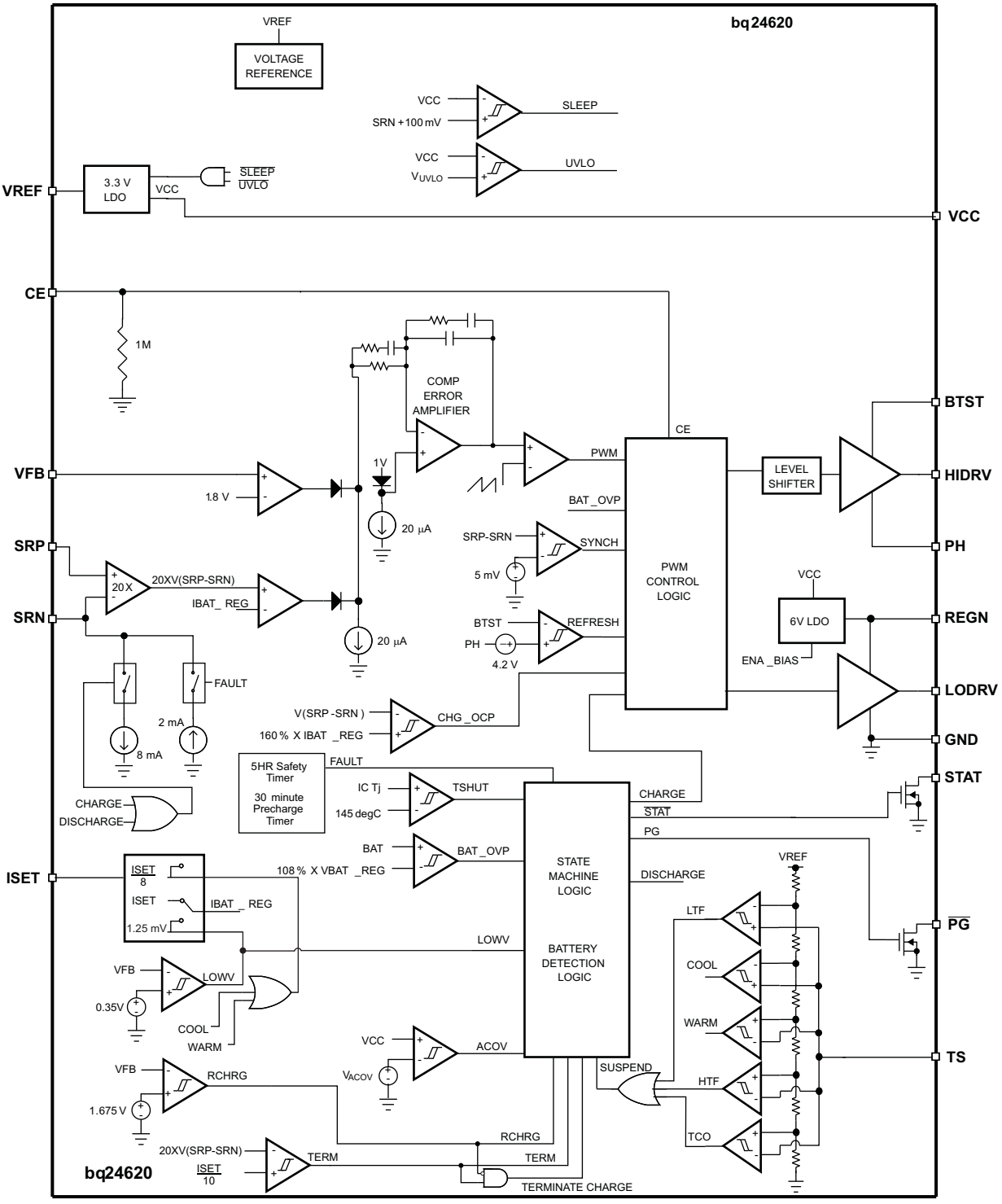


Figure 10. Efficiency vs Output Current

PIN FUNCTIONS

PIN		FUNCTION DESCRIPTION
NO.	NAME	
1	VCC	IC power positive supply. Connect through a 10-Ω resistor to the common-source (diode-OR) point: source of high-side P-channel MOSFET and source of reverse-blocking power P-channel MOSFET. Or connect through a 10-Ω resistor to the cathode of the input diode. Place a 1-µF ceramic capacitor from VCC to GND pin close to the IC.
2	CE	Charge-enable active-HIGH logic input. HI enables charge. LO disables charge. It has an internal 1-MΩ pulldown resistor.
3	STAT	Open-drain charge status pin to indicate various charger operations (See Table 3)
4	TS	Temperature qualification voltage input for battery pack negative-temperature-coefficient thermistor. Program the hot and cold temperature window with a resistor divider from VREF to TS to GND.
5	$\overline{PG}$	Open-drain power-good status output. The transistor turns on when a valid VCC is detected. It is turned off in the sleep mode. $\overline{PG}$ can be used to drive an LED or communicate with a host processor. It can be used to drive ACFET and BATFET.
6	VREF	3.3-V regulated voltage output. Place a 1-µF ceramic capacitor from VREF to the GND pin close to the IC. This voltage could be used for programming of voltage and current regulation and for programming the TS threshold.
7	ISET	Charge current set input. The voltage of ISET pin programs the charge current regulation, precharge-current and termination-current set-point.
8	VFB	Output-voltage analog feedback adjustment. Connect the output of a resistive voltage divider from the battery terminals to this node to adjust the output battery regulation voltage.
9	SRN	Charge current sense resistor, negative input. A 0.1-µF ceramic capacitor is placed from SRN to SRP to provide differential-mode filtering. An optional 0.1-µF ceramic capacitor is placed from the SRN pin to GND for common-mode filtering.
10	SRP	Charge-current sense resistor, positive input. A 0.1-µF ceramic capacitor is placed from SRN to SRP to provide differential-mode filtering. A 0.1-µF ceramic capacitor is placed from SRP pin to GND for common-mode filtering.
11	GND	Low-current sensitive analog/digital ground. On PCB layout, connect with thermal pad underneath the IC.
12	REGN	PWM low-side driver positive 6-V supply output. Connect a 1-µF ceramic capacitor from REGN to the PGND pin, close to the IC. Use for low-side driver and high-side driver bootstrap voltage by connecting a small-signal Schottky diode from REGN to BTST.
13	LODRV	PWM low-side driver output. Connect to the gate of the low-side power MOSFET with a short trace.
14	PH	PWM high-side driver negative supply. Connect to the phase-switching node (junction of the low-side power MOSFET drain, high-side power MOSFET source, and output inductor).
15	HIDRV	PWM high-side driver output. Connect to the gate of the high-side power MOSFET with a short trace.
16	BTST	PWM high-side driver negative supply. Connect the 0.1-µF bootstrap capacitor from PH to BTST, and a bootstrap Schottky diode from REGN to BTST.
	Thermal pad	Exposed pad beneath the IC. Always solder the thermal pad to the board, and have vias on the thermal-pad plane star-connecting to GND and ground plane for high-current power converter. It also serves as a thermal pad to dissipate the heat.

BLOCK DIAGRAM



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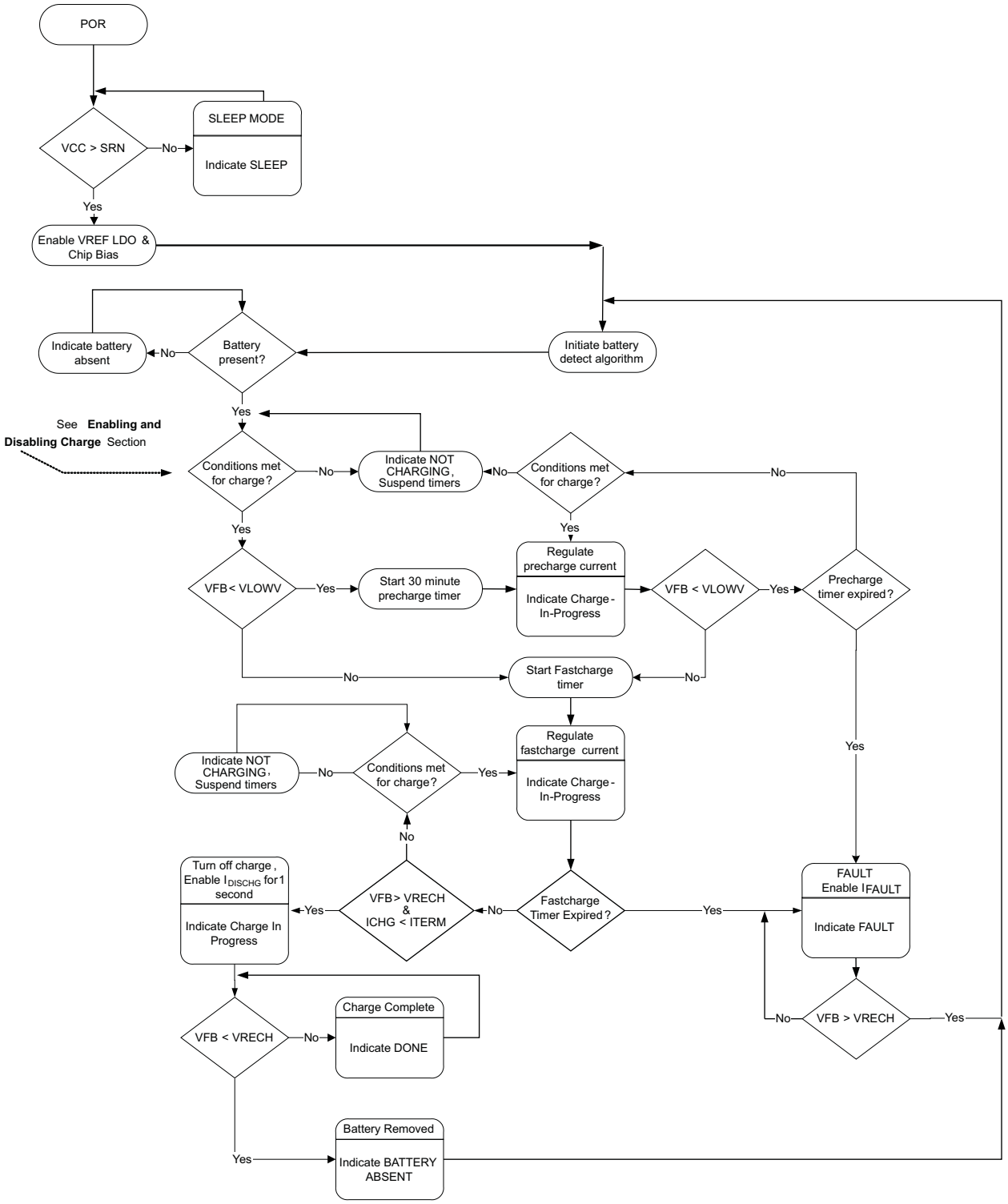

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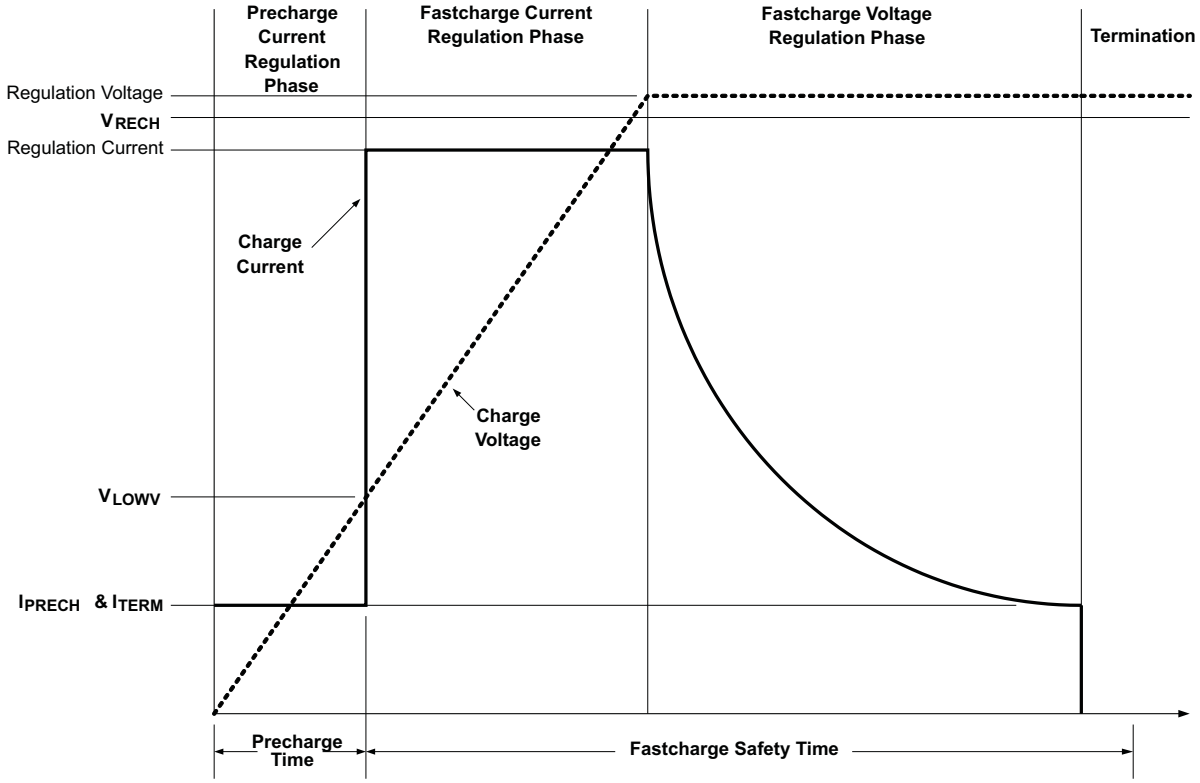

Figure 11. Typical Charging Profile

BATTERY VOLTAGE REGULATION

The bq24620 uses a high-accuracy voltage band gap and regulator for the charging voltage. The charge voltage is programmed via a resistor divider from the battery to ground, with the midpoint tied to the VFB pin. The voltage at the VFB pin is regulated to 1.8 V, giving Equation 1 for the regulation voltage:

$$V_{BAT} = 1.8\ V \times \left[1 + \frac{R2}{R1}\right] \quad (1)$$

where R2 is connected from VFB to the battery and R1 is connected from VFB to GND.

BATTERY CURRENT REGULATION

The ISET1 input sets the maximum charging current. Battery current is sensed by resistor R_{SR} connected between SRP and SRN. The full-scale differential voltage between SRP and SRN is 100 mV. Thus, for a 10-mΩ sense resistor, the maximum charging current is 10 A. Equation 2 is for charge current

$$I_{CHARGE} = \frac{V_{ISET}}{20 \times R_{SR}} \quad (2)$$

V_{ISET}, the input voltage range of ISET is between 0 and 2 V. The SRP and SRN pins are used to sense voltage across R_{SR} with default value of 10 mΩ. However, resistors of other values can also be used. A larger sense resistor gives a larger sense voltage and a higher regulation accuracy, but at the expense of higher conduction loss.

PRECHARGE

On power up, if the battery voltage is below the V_{LOWV} threshold, the bq24620 applies 125 mA to the battery.(1) The precharge feature is intended to revive deeply discharged cells. If the V_{LOWV} threshold is not reached within 30 minutes of initiating precharge, the charger turns off and a FAULT is indicated on the status pins.

CHARGE TERMINATION, RECHARGE, AND SAFETY TIMER

The bq24620 monitors the charging current during the voltage regulation phase. Termination is detected while the voltage on the VFB pin is higher than the V_{RECH} threshold AND the charge current is less than the I_{TERM} threshold, which is 1/10th of programmed charge current, as calculated in Equation 3:

$$I_{TERM} = \frac{V_{ISET}}{200 \times R_{SR}} \quad (3)$$

As a safety backup, the bq24620 also provides an internal 5-hour charge timer for fast charge.

A new charge cycle is initiated when one of the following conditions occurs:

- The battery voltage falls below the recharge threshold.
- A power-on-reset (POR) event occurs.
- CE is toggled.

POWER UP

The bq24620 uses a SLEEP comparator to determine the source of power on the VCC pin, because VCC can be supplied either from the battery or the adapter. If the VCC voltage is greater than the SRN voltage, the bq24620 enables ACFET and disables BATFET. If all other conditions are met for charging, the bq24620 then attempts to charge the battery (see *Enable and Disabe Charging*, ENABLE AND DISABLE CHARGING). If the SRN voltage is greater than VCC, indicating that the battery is the power source, bq24620 enters a low-quiescent-current (<15 μA) SLEEP mode to minimize current drain from the battery.

If VCC is below the UVLO threshold, the device is disabled.

ENABLE AND DISABLE CHARGING

The following conditions must be valid before charge is enabled:

- CE is HIGH.
- The device is not in VCCLOWV mode.
- The device is not in SLEEP mode (i.e., VCC > SRN) .
- The VCC voltage is lower than the ac overvoltage threshold (VCC < V_{ACOV}).
- 30-ms delay is complete after initial power up.
- The REGN LDO and VREF LDO voltages are at the correct levels.
- Thermal shut (TSHUT) is not valid.
- TS fault is not detected.

Any of the following conditions stops ongoing charging:

- CE is LOW.
- Adapter is removed, causing the device to enter VCCLOWV or SLEEP mode.
- Adapter voltage is less than 100mV above battery.
- Adapter is over voltage.
- The REGN or VREF LDOs are overloaded.
- TSHUT IC temperature threshold is reached (145°C on rising edge with 15°C hysteresis).
- TS voltage goes out of range, indicating the battery temperature is too hot or too cold.
- Safety timer times out.

(1) 125 mA (assuming a 10-mΩ sense resistor. 1.25 mV is regulated across SRP-SRN, regardless of the value of the sense resistor.)

AUTOMATIC INTERNAL SOFT-START CHARGER CURRENT

The charger automatically soft-starts the charger regulation current every time the charger goes into fast-charge to ensure there is no overshoot or stress on the output capacitors or the power converter. The soft-start consists of stepping up the charge regulation current into eight evenly divided steps up to the programmed charge current. Each step lasts around 1.6 ms, for a typical rise time of 12.8 ms. No external components are needed for this function.

CONVERTER OPERATION

The synchronous buck PWM converter uses a fixed-frequency voltage mode with a feed-forward control scheme. A type-III compensation network allows using ceramic capacitors at the output of the converter. The compensation input stage is connected internally between the feedback output (FBO) and the error amplifier input (EAI). The feedback compensation stage is connected between the error amplifier input (EAI) and error amplifier output (EAO). The LC output filter is selected to give a resonant frequency of 10 kHz to 15 kHz for bq24620, where the resonant frequency, f_o, is given by:

$$f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L_o C_o}} \quad (4)$$

An internal sawtooth ramp is compared to the internal EAO error control signal to vary the duty cycle of the converter. The ramp height is 7% of the input adapter voltage, making it always directly proportional to the input adapter voltage. This cancels out any loop gain variation due to a change in input voltage, and simplifies the loop compensation. The ramp is offset by 300 mV in order to allow zero-percent duty cycle when the EAO signal is below the ramp. The EAO signal is also allowed to exceed the sawtooth ramp signal in order to get a 100% duty-cycle PWM request. Internal gate-drive logic allows achieving 99.95% duty cycle while ensuring the N-channel upper device always has enough voltage to stay fully on. If the BTST pin to PH pin voltage falls below 4.2 V for more than three cycles, then the high-side n-channel power MOSFET is turned off and the low-side n-channel power MOSFET is turned on to pull the PH node down and recharge the BTST capacitor. Then the high-side driver returns to 100% duty-cycle operation until the (BTST–PH) voltage is detected to fall low again due to leakage current discharging the BTST capacitor below 4.2 V, and the reset pulse is reissued.

The fixed frequency oscillator keeps tight control of the switching frequency under all conditions of input voltage, battery voltage, charge current, and temperature, simplifying output filter design and keeping it out of the audible noise region. Also see *Application Information* for how to select Inductor, capacitor and MOSFET.

SYNCHRONOUS AND NON-SYNCHRONOUS OPERATION

The charger operates in synchronous mode when the SRP-SRN voltage is above 5m V (0.5-A inductor current for a 10-mΩ sense resistor). During synchronous mode, the internal gate-drive logic ensures there is break-before-make complementary switching to prevent shoot-through currents. During the 30-ns dead time where both FETs are off, the body diode of the low-side power MOSFET conducts the inductor current. Having the low-side FET turn on keeps the power dissipation low, and allows safely charging at high currents. During synchronous mode, the inductor current is always flowing and the converter operates in continuous-conduction mode (CCM), creating a fixed two-pole system.

The charger operates in non-synchronous mode when the SRP-SRN voltage is below 5 mV (0.5-A inductor current for a 10-mΩ sense resistor). The charger is forced into non-synchronous mode when the battery voltage is lower than 2 V or when the average SRP-SRN voltage is lower than 1.25 mV.

During non-synchronous operation, the body diode of the low-side MOSFET can conduct the positive inductor current after the high-side n-channel power MOSFET turns off. When the load current decreases and the inductor current drops to zero, the body diode is naturally turned off and the inductor current becomes discontinuous. This mode is called discontinuous-conduction mode (DCM). During DCM, the low-side n-channel power MOSFET turns on for around 80 ns when the bootstrap capacitor voltage drops below 4.2 V; then the low-side power MOSFET turns off and stays off until the beginning of the next cycle, where the high-side power MOSFET is turned on again. The 80-ns low-side MOSFET on-time is required to ensure the bootstrap capacitor is always recharged and able to keep the high-side power MOSFET on during the next cycle. This is important for battery chargers, where unlike regular dc-dc converters, there is a battery load that maintains a voltage and can both source and sink current. The 80-ns low-side pulse pulls the PH node (connection between high- and low-side MOSFETs) down, allowing the bootstrap capacitor to recharge up to the REGN LDO value. After the 80 ns, the low-side MOSFET is kept off to prevent negative inductor current from occurring.

At very low currents during non-synchronous operation, there may be a small amount of negative inductor current during the 80-ns recharge pulse. The charge should be low enough to be absorbed by the input capacitance. Whenever the converter goes into zero-percent duty cycle, the high-side MOSFET does not turn on, and the low-side MOSFET does not turn on (only 80-ns recharge pulse) either, and there is almost no discharge from the battery.

During the DCM mode, the loop response automatically changes and has a single-pole system at which the pole is proportional to the load current, because the converter does not sink current, and only the load provides a current sink. This means at very low currents the loop response is slower, as there is less sinking current available to discharge the output voltage.

CYCLE-BY-CYCLE CHARGE UNDERCURRENT

If the SRP-SRN voltage decreases below 5 mV (the charger is also forced into non-synchronous mode when the average SRP-SRN voltage is lower than 1.25 mV), the low-side FET is turned off for the remainder of the switching cycle to prevent negative inductor current. During DCM, the low-side FET only turns on for around 80 ns when the bootstrap capacitor voltage drops below 4.2 V to provide refresh charge for the bootstrap capacitor. This is important to prevent negative inductor current from causing a boost effect in which the input voltage increases as power is transferred from the battery to the input capacitors, which leads to an overvoltage stress on the VCC node and potentially causes damage to the system.

INPUT OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION (ACOV)

ACOV provides protection to prevent system damage due to high input voltage. Once the adapter voltage reaches the ACOV threshold, charge is disabled and the battery is switched to the system instead of the adapter.

INPUT UNDERVOLTAGE LOCKOUT (UVLO)

The system must have a minimum VCC voltage to allow proper operation. This VCC voltage could come from either input the adapter orthe battery, if a conduction path exists from the battery to VCC through the high-side NMOS body diode. When VCC is below the UVLO threshold, all circuits in the IC are disabled.

BATTERY OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION

The converter does not allow the high-side FET to turn on until the BAT voltage goes below 105% of the regulation voltage. This allows one-cycle response to an overvoltage condition, such as occurs when the load is removed or the battery is disconnected. An 8-mA current sink from SRP/SRN to PGND is on only during charge and allows discharging the stored output inductor energy that is transferred to the output capacitors. BATOVP also suspends the safety timer.

CYCLE-BY-CYCLE CHARGE OVERCURRENT PROTECTION

The charger has a secondary cycle-to-cycle overcurrent protection. It monitors the charge current, and prevents the current from exceeding 160% of the programmed charge current. The high-side gate drive turns off when the overcurrent is detected, and automatically resumes when the current falls below the overcurrent threshold.

THERMAL SHUTDOWN PROTECTION

The QFN package has low thermal impedance, which provides good thermal conduction from the silicon to the ambient, to keep junctions temperatures low. As an added level of protection, the charger converter turns off and self-protects whenever the junction temperature exceeds the TSHUT threshold of 145°C. The charger stays off until the junction temperature falls below 130°C. Then the charger soft-starts again if all other enable-charge conditions are valid. Thermal shutdown also suspends the safety timer.

TEMPERATURE QUALIFICATION

The controller continuously monitors battery temperature by measuring the voltage between the TS pin and GND. A negative temperature coefficient thermistor (NTC) and an external voltage divider typically develop this voltage. The controller compares this voltage against its internal thresholds to determine if charging is allowed. To initiate a charge cycle, the battery temperature must be within the V_{LTF} to V_{HTF} thresholds. If battery temperature is outside of this range, the controller suspends charge and the safety timer and waits until the battery temperature is within the V_{LTF} to V_{HTF} range. During the charge cycle, the battery temperature must be within the V_{LTF} to V_{TCO} thresholds. If the battery temperature is outside of this range, the controller suspends

charge and the safety timer and waits until the battery temperature is within the V_{LTF} to V_{HTF} range. If the battery temperature is between the V_{LTF} and V_{COOL} thresholds or between the V_{HTF} and V_{WARM} thresholds, charge is automatically reduced to $I_{CHARGE}/8$. To avoid early termination during COOL/WARM condition, set $I_{TERM} \leq I_{CHARGE}/10$. The controller suspends charge by turning off the PWM charge FETs. Figure 12 and Figure 13 summarize the operation.

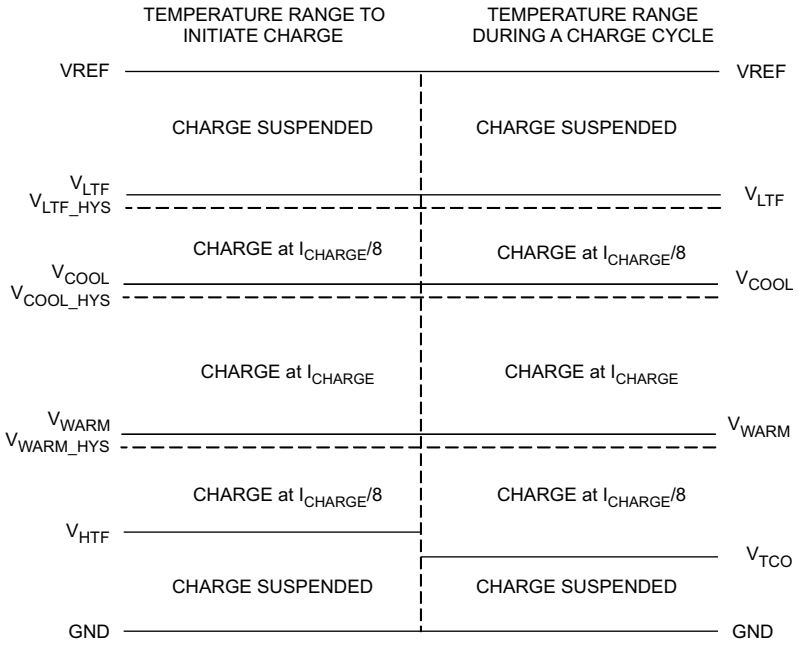

Figure 12. TS, Thermistor Sense Thresholds

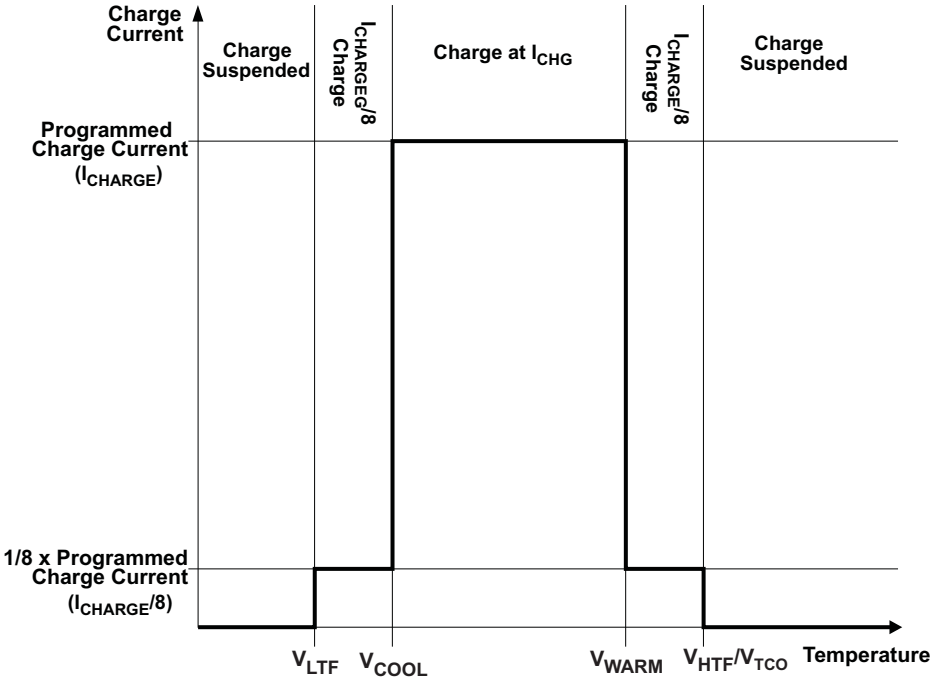

Figure 13. Typical Charge Current vs Temperature Profile

Assuming a 103AT NTC thermistor on the battery pack as shown in the Typical System Schematic (Figure 1), the values of RT1 and RT2 can be determined by using Equation 5 and Equation 6:

$$RT2 = \frac{V_{VREF} \times RTH_{COOL} \times RTH_{WARM} \times \left(\frac{1}{V_{COOL}} - \frac{1}{V_{WARM}}\right)}{RTH_{WARM} \times \left(\frac{V_{VREF}}{V_{WARM}} - 1\right) - RTH_{COOL} \times \left(\frac{V_{VREF}}{V_{COOL}} - 1\right)} \quad (5)$$

$$RT1 = \frac{\frac{V_{VREF}}{V_{COOL}} - 1}{\frac{1}{RT2} + \frac{1}{RTH_{COOL}}} \quad (6)$$

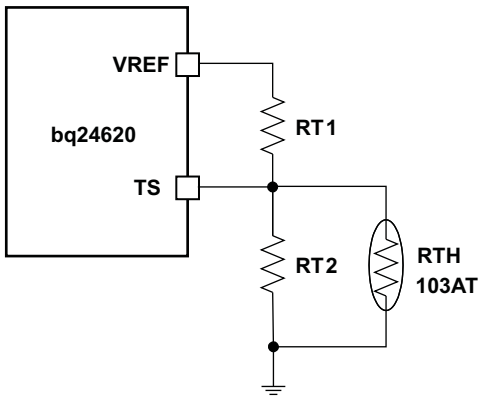

Figure 14. TS Resistor Network

For example, a 103AT NTC thermistor is used to monitor the battery pack temperature. Select T_{COOL} = 0ºC, T_{WARM} = 60ºC. From the calculation and selecting a standard 5% resistor value, we can get RT1 = 2.2 kΩ, RT2 = 6.8 kΩ, and T_{COLD} is –17ºC (target –20ºC); T_{HOT} is 77ºC (target 75ºC), and $T_{CUT-OFF}$ is 86ºC (target 80ºC). A small RC filter is suggested to protect the TS pin from system-level ESD.

Timer Fault Recovery

The bq24620 provides a recovery method to deal with timer fault conditions. The following summarizes this method:

Condition 1: The battery voltage is above the recharge threshold and a time-out fault occurs.

Recovery Method: The timer fault clears when the battery voltage falls below the recharge threshold, and battery detection begins. Taking CE low, or a POR condition, also clears the fault.

Condition 2: The battery voltage is below the RECHARGE threshold and a time-out fault occurs.

Recovery Method: Under this scenario, the bq24620 applies the IFAULT current to the battery. This small current is used to detect a battery removal condition and remains on as long as the battery voltage stays below the recharge threshold. If the battery voltage goes above the recharge threshold, the bq24620 disables the fault current and executes the recovery method described in Condition 1. Taking CE low, or a POR condition, also clears the fault.

$\overline{PG}$ Output

The open-drain $\overline{PG}$ (power good) indicates whether the VCC voltage is valid or not. The open-drain FET turns on whenever the bq24620 has a valid VCC input (not in UVLO or ACOV or SLEEP mode). The $\overline{PG}$ pin can be used to drive an LED or communicate with the host processor.

CE (Charge Enable)

The CE digital input is used to disable or enable the charge process. A high-level signal on this pin enables charge, provided all the other conditions for charge are met (see *Enable and Disable Charging*, ENABLE AND DISABLE CHARGING). A high-to-low transition on this pin also resets all timers and fault conditions. There is an internal 1-MΩ pulldown resistor on the CE pin, so if CE is floatedthe charge does not turn on.

INDUCTOR, CAPACITOR, AND SENSE-RESISTOR SELECTION GUIDELINES

The bq24620 provides internal loop compensation. With this scheme, best stability occurs when the LC resonant frequency, f_o, is approximately 10kHz – 15kHz per Equation 7:

$$f_o = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{L_o C_o}} \quad (7)$$

Table 2 provides a summary of typical LC components for various charge currents

Table 2. Typical Inductor, Capacitor, and Sense Resistor Values as a Function of Charge Current

CHARGE CURRENT	2 A	4 A	6 A	8 A	10 A
Output inductor L_O	8.2 µH	8.2 µH	5.6 µH	4.7 µH	4.7 µH
Output capacitor C_O	20 µF	20 µF	20 µF	40 µF	40 µF
Sense resistor	10 mΩ	10 mΩ	10 mΩ	10 mΩ	10 mΩ

CHARGE STATUS OUTPUTS

The open-drain STAT outputs indicate various charger operations as shown in Table 3. These status pins can be used to drive LEDs or communicate with the host processor. Note that OFF indicates that the open-drain transistor is turned off.

Table 3. STAT Pin Definition for bq24620

CHARGE STATE	STAT
Charge in progress	ON
Charge complete ($\overline{PG}$ = LOW)	OFF
Sleep mode ($\overline{PG}$ = HIGH)	OFF
Charge suspend, timer fault, ACOV, battery absent	BLINK (0.5 Hz)

BATTERY DETECTION

For applications with removable battery packs, the bq24620 provides a battery-absent detection scheme to reliably detect insertion or removal of battery packs. CE must be HIGH to enable battery detection function.

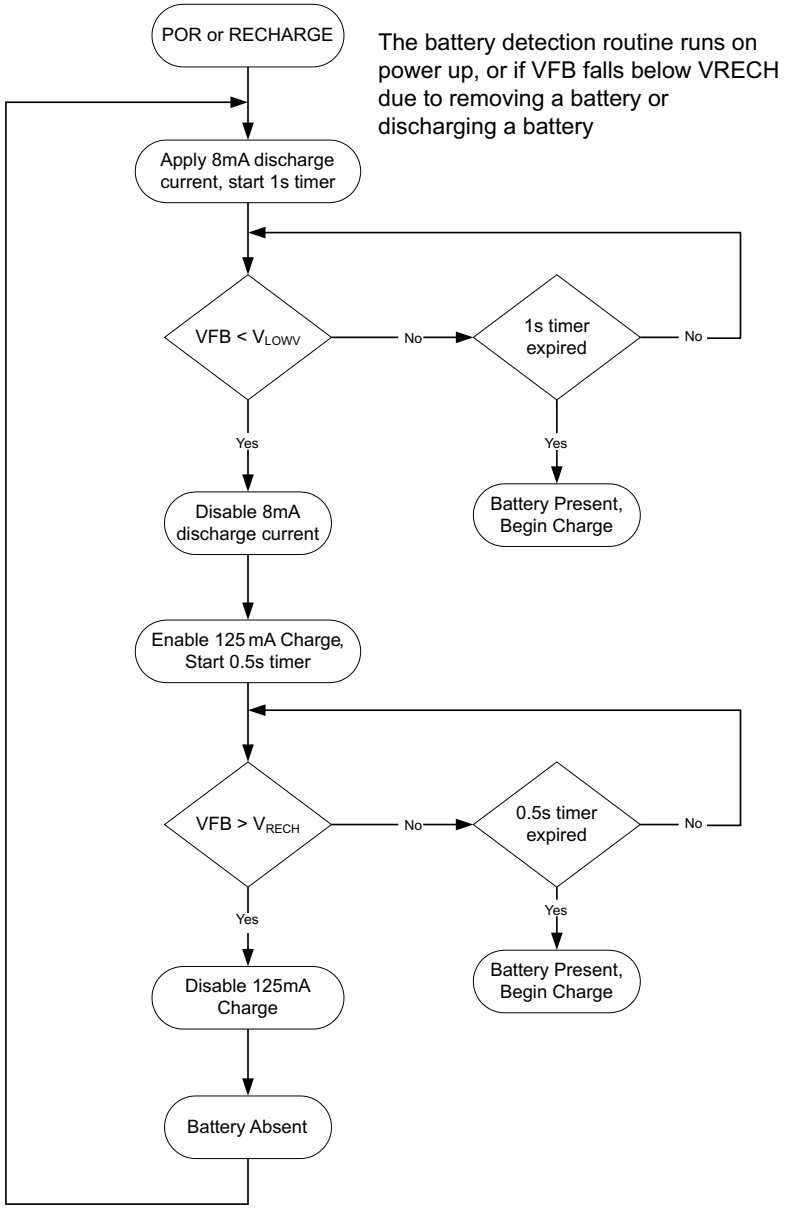

Figure 15. Battery Detection Flowchart

Once the device has powered up, an 8-mA discharge current is applied to the SRN terminal. If the battery voltage falls below the LOWV threshold within 1 second, the discharge source is turned off, and the charger is turned on at low charge current (125 mA). If the battery voltage rises above the recharge threshold within 500 ms, no battery is present and the cycle restarts. If either the 500-ms or 1-second timer times out before the respective thresholds are hit, a battery is detected and a charge cycle is initiated.

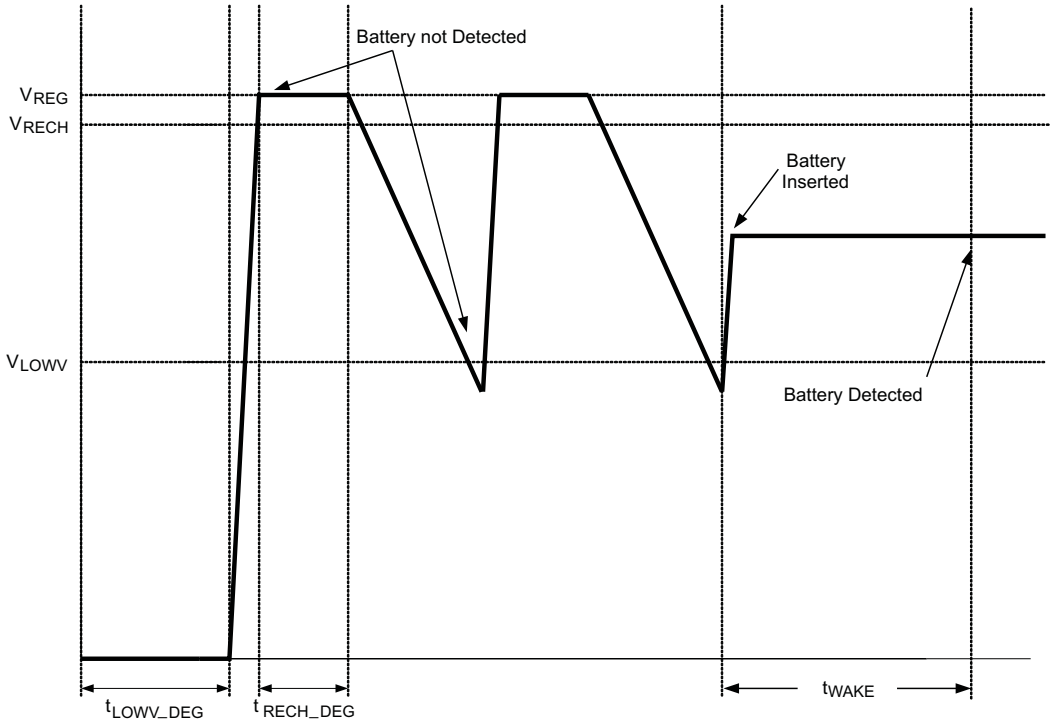

Figure 16. Battery-Detect Timing Diagram

Care must be taken that the total output capacitance at the battery node is not so large that the discharge current source cannot pull the voltage below the LOWV threshold during the 1-second discharge time. The maximum output capacitance can be calculated as seen in Equation 8:

$$C_{MAX} = \frac{I_{DISCH} \times t_{DISCH}}{1.425 \times \left[1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}\right]} \tag{8}$$

where C_{MAX} is the maximum output capacitance, I_{DISCH} is the discharge current, t_{DISCH} is the discharge time, and R_2 and R_1 are the voltage feedback resistors from the battery to the VFB pin. The 1.425 factor is the difference between the RECHARGE and the LOWV thresholds at the VFB pin.

EXAMPLE

For a 3-cell Li+ charger, with R2 = 500 kΩ, R1 = 100 kΩ (giving 10.8 V for voltage regulation), I_{DISCH} = 8 mA, t_{DISCH} = 1 second,

$$C_{MAX} = \frac{8mA \times 1sec}{1.425 \times \left[1 + \frac{500k}{100k}\right]} = 930\ \mu F \tag{9}$$

Based on these calculations, no more than 930 µF should be allowed on the battery node for proper operation of the battery detection circuit.

Component List for Typical System Circuit of Figure 1

PART DESIGNATOR	QTY	DESCRIPTION
Q4, Q5	2	N-channel MOSFET, 40 V, 30 A, PowerPAK SO-8, Vishay-Siliconix, SiR426DN
D1	1	Diode, dual Schottky, 30 V, 200 mA, SOT23, Fairchild, BAT54C
D2	1	Schottky diode, 40 V, 5 A, SMC, ON Semiconductor, MBRS540T3
R_{SR}	2	Sense resistor, 10 mΩ, 1%, 1 W, 2010, Vishay-Dale, WSL2010R0100F
L1	1	Inductor, 6.8 µH, 5.5 A, Vishay-Dale, IHLP2525CZ
C8, C9, C12, C13	4	Capacitor, ceramic, 10 µF, 35 V, 10%, X7R
C2	1	Capacitor, ceramic, 2.2µF, 50 V, 10%, X7R
C4, C5	2	Capacitor, ceramic, 1 µF, 16V, 10%, X7R
C7	1	Capacitor, ceramic, 1µF, 50 V, 10%, X7R
C1, C6, C11	4	Capacitor, ceramic, 0.1 µF, 16 V, 10%, X7R
C_{ff}	1	Capacitor, ceramic, 22 pF, 35 V, 10%, X7R
C10	1	Capacitor, ceramic, 0.1 µF, 50V, 10%
R1, R7	2	Resistor, chip, 100 kΩ, 1/16W, 0.5%
R2	1	Resistor, chip, 900 kΩ, 1/16W, 0.5%
R8	1	Resistor, chip, 22.1 kΩ, 1/16W, 0.5%
R9	1	Resistor, chip, 9.31 kΩ, 1/16W, 1%
R10	1	Resistor, chip, 430 kΩ, 1/16W, 1%
R11	1	Resistor, chip, 2Ω, 1W, 5%
R13, R14	2	Resistor, chip, 10 kΩ, 1/16W, 5%
R5	1	Resistor, chip, 100 Ω, 1/16W, 0.5%
R6	1	Resistor, chip, 10 Ω, 1W, 5%
D3, D4	2	LED diode, green, 2.1V, 10 mΩ, Vishay-Dale, WSL2010R0100F

APPLICATION INFORMATION

Inductor Selection

The bq24620 has a 300-kHz switching frequency to allow the use of small inductor and capacitor values. Inductor saturation current should be higher than the charging current (I_{CHARGE}) plus half the ripple current (I_{RIPPLE}):

$$I_{SAT} \geq I_{CHG} + (1/2)\, I_{RIPPLE} \quad (10)$$

The inductor ripple current depends on input voltage (V_{IN}), duty cycle ($D = V_{OUT}/V_{IN}$), switching frequency (f_S) and inductance (L):

$$I_{RIPPLE} = \frac{V_{IN} \times D \times (1 - D)}{f_S \times L} \quad (11)$$

The maximum inductor ripple current happens with D = 0.5. For example, the battery-charging voltage range is from 2.8 V to 14.4 V for a four-cell battery pack. For 20-V adapter voltage, 10-V battery voltage gives the maximum inductor ripple current.

Usually, inductor ripple is designed in the range of 20%–40% of maximum charging current as a trade-off between inductor size and efficiency for a practical design.

The bq24620 has cycle-by-cycle charge undercurrent protection (UCP) by monitoring the charging-current sensing resistor to prevent negative inductor current. The typical UCP threshold is 5 mV falling edge, corresponding to 0.5-A falling edge for a 10-mΩ charging-current-sensing resistor.

Input Capacitor

The input capacitor should have enough ripple-current rating to absorb input switching-ripple current. The worst case rms ripple current is half of the charging current when duty cycle is 0.5. If the converter does not operate at 50% duty cycle, then the worst-case capacitor rms current I_{CIN} occurs where the duty cycle is closest to 50% and can be estimated by the following equation:

$$I_{CIN} = I_{CHG} \times \sqrt{D \times (1-D)} \quad (12)$$

A low-ESR ceramic capacitor such as X7R or X5R is preferred for the input-decoupling capacitor and should be placed as close as possible to the drain of the high-side MOSFET and source of the low-side MOSFET. The voltage rating of the capacitor must be higher than the normal input voltage level. A 25-V rating or higher capacitor is preferred for 20-V input voltage. A 20-µF capacitor is suggested for typical of 3-A to 4-A charging current.

Output Capacitor

The output capacitor also should have enough ripple current rating to absorb the output switching-ripple current. The output capacitor rms current I_{COUT} is given:

$$I_{COUT} = \frac{I_{RIPPLE}}{2 \times \sqrt{3}} \approx 0.29 \times I_{RIPPLE} \quad (13)$$

The output-capacitor voltage ripple can be calculated as follows:

$$\Delta V_o = \frac{1}{8LCf_s^2}\left(V_{BAT} - \frac{V_{BAT}^2}{V_{IN}}\right) \quad (14)$$

At certain input/output voltage and switching frequency, the voltage ripple can be reduced by increasing the output filter LC.

The bq24620 has an internal loop compensator. To get good loop stability, the resonant frequency of the output inductor and output capacitor should be designed between 10 kHz and 15 kHz. The preferred ceramic capacitor is 25 V, X7R or X5R for 4-cell applications.

Power MOSFET Selection

Two external N-channel MOSFETs are used for a synchronous switching battery charger. The gate drivers are internally integrated into the IC with 6 V of gate drive voltage. 30-V or higher voltage rating MOSFETs are preferred for 20-V input voltage, and 40-V MOSFETs are preferred for 20-V to 28-V input voltage.

Figure-of-merit (FOM) is usually used for selecting the proper MOSFET, based on a tradeoff between the conduction loss and switching loss. For the top-side MOSFET, FOM is defined as the product of the MOSFET on-resistance, $r_{DS(on)}$, and the gate-to-drain charge, Q_{GD}. For the bottom-side MOSFET, FOM is defined as the product of the MOSFET on-resistance, $r_{DS(on)}$, and the total gate charge, Q_G.

$$FOM_{top} = R_{DS(on)} \times Q_{GD} \qquad FOM_{bottom} = R_{DS(on)} \times Q_G \tag{15}$$

The lower the FOM value, the lower the total power loss. Usually lower $r_{DS(on)}$ has higher cost with the same package size.

The top-side MOSFET loss includes conduction loss and switching loss. It is a function of duty cycle ($D = V_{OUT}/V_{IN}$), charging current (I_{CHARGE}), MOSFET on-resistance $r_{DS(on)}$), input voltage (V_{IN}), switching frequency (f_S), turnon time (t_{on}) and turnoff time (t_{off}):

$$P_{top} = D \times I_{CHG}^2 \times R_{DS(on)} + \frac{1}{2} \times V_{IN} \times I_{CHG} \times \left(t_{on} + t_{off}\right) \times f_S \tag{16}$$

The first item represents the conduction loss. Usually MOSFET $r_{DS(on)}$ increases by 50% with 100ºC junction temperature rise. The second term represents the switching loss. The MOSFET turnon and turnoff times are given by:

$$t_{on} = \frac{Q_{SW}}{I_{on}}, \; t_{off} = \frac{Q_{SW}}{I_{off}} \tag{17}$$

where Q_{sw} is the switching charge, I_{on} is the turnon gate-driving current, and I_{off} is the turnoff gate-driving current. If the switching charge is not given in the MOSFET data sheet, it can be estimated by gate-to-drain charge (Q_{GD}) and gate-to-source charge (Q_{GS}):

$$Q_{SW} = Q_{GD} + \frac{1}{2} \times Q_{GS} \tag{18}$$

Total gate-driving current can be estimated by the REGN voltage (V_{REGN}), MOSFET plateau voltage (V_{plt}), total turnon gate resistance (R_{on}) and turnoff gate resistance R_{off}) of the gate driver:

$$I_{on} = \frac{V_{REGN} - V_{plt}}{R_{on}}, \; I_{off} = \frac{V_{plt}}{R_{off}} \tag{19}$$

The conduction loss of the bottom-side MOSFET is calculated with the following equation when it operates in synchronous continuous-conduction mode:

$$P_{bottom} = (1 - D) \times I_{CHG}^2 \times R_{DS(on)} \tag{20}$$

If the SRP–SRN voltage decreases below 5 mV (the charger is also forced into non-synchronous mode when the average SRP–SRN voltage is lower than 1.25 mV), the low-side FET is turned off for the remainder of the switching cycle to prevent negative inductor current.

As a result, all the freewheeling current goes through the body diode of the bottom-side MOSFET. The maximum charging current in non-synchronous mode can be up to 0.9 A (0.5 A typ.) for a 10-mΩ charging-current-sensing resistor, considering IC tolerance. Choose the bottom-side MOSFET with either an internal Schottky or body diode capable of carrying the maximum non-synchronous mode charging current.

MOSFET gate-driver power loss contributes to the dominant losses on controller IC when the buck converter is switching. Choosing a MOSFET with a small Q_{g_total} reduces the IC power loss to avoid thermal shut down.

$$P_{ICLoss\_driver} = V_{IN} \cdot Q_{g\_total} \cdot f_s \tag{21}$$

where Q_{g_total} is the total gate charge for both upper and lower MOSFETs at 6-V V_{REGN}.

The VREF load current is another component of the VCC input current (do not overload VREF), where total IC loss can be described by following equations:

$$P_{VREF} = (V_{IN} - V_{VREF}) \cdot I_{VREF}$$
$$P_{ICLOSS} = P_{ICLOSS\_driver} + P_{VREF} + P_{Quiescent} \quad (22)$$

Input Filter Design

During adapter hot plug-in, the parasitic inductance and input capacitor from the adapter cable form a second-order system. The voltage spike at the VCC pin may be beyond the IC maximum voltage rating and damage the IC. The input filter must be carefully designed and tested to prevent an overvoltage event on VCC pin.

There are several methods to damping or limiting the overvoltage spike during adapter hot plug-in. An electrolytic capacitor with high ESR as an input capacitor can damp the overvoltage spike well below the IC maximum pin-voltage rating. A high-current-capability TVS Zener diode can also limit the overvoltage level to an IC-safe level. However, these two solutions may not have low cost or small size.

A cost-effective and small-size solution is shown in Figure 17. R1 and C1 comprise a damping RC network to damp the hot plug-in oscillation. As a result, the overvoltage spike is limited to a safe level. D1 is used for reverse voltage protection for the VCC pin (it can be the input Schottky diode or the body diode of the input ACFET). C2 is a VCC pin-decoupling capacitor, and it should be placed as close as possible to the VCC pin. R2 and C2 form a damping RC network to further protect the IC from high-dv/dt and high-voltage spikes. The C2 value should be less than the C1 value so R1 can be dominant over the ESR of C1 to get enough damping effect for hot plug-in. R1 and R2 packages must be sized to handle the inrush-current power loss according to the resistor manufacturer's data sheet. The filter component values always must be verified with the real application, and minor adjustments may be needed to fit in the real application circuit.

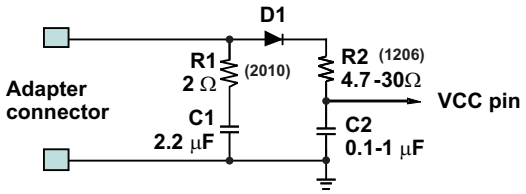

Figure 17. Input Filter

PCB Layout

The switching node rise and fall times should be minimized for minimum switching loss. Proper layout of the components to minimize the high-frequency current-path loop (see Figure 18) is important to prevent electrical and magnetic field radiation and high-frequency resonant problems. Here is a PCB layout priority list for proper layout. Layout of the PCB according to this specific order is essential.

1. Place the input capacitor as close as possible to the switching MOSFET supply and ground connections, and use the shortest possible copper trace connection. These parts should be placed on the same layer of the PCB instead of on different layers, using vias to make this connection.
2. The IC should be placed close to the switching MOSFET gate terminals, keeping the gate-drive signal traces short for a clean MOSFET drive. The IC can be placed on the other side of the PCB from the switching MOSFETs.
3. Place the inductor input terminal as close as possible to switching MOSFET output terminal. Minimize the copper area of this trace to lower electrical and magnetic field radiation, but make the trace wide enough to carry the charging current. Do not use multiple layers in parallel for this connection. Minimize parasitic capacitance from this area to any other trace or plane.
4. The charging-current-sensing resistor should be placed right next to the inductor output. Route the sense leads connected across the sensing resistor back to the IC in same layer, close to each other (minimize loop area), and do not route the sense leads through a high-current path (see Figure 19 for Kelvin connection for best current accuracy). Place the decoupling capacitor on these traces next to the IC.
5. Place the output capacitor next to the sensing-resistor output and ground.
6. The output-capacitor ground connections must be tied to the same copper that connects to the input-capacitor ground before connecting to system ground.
7. Route the analog ground separately from the power ground and use a single ground connection to tie the

charger power ground to the charger analog ground. Just beneath the IC, use the copper pour for analog ground, but avoid power pins to reduce inductive and capacitive noise coupling. Connect analog ground to GND. Connect the analog ground and power ground together using the thermal pad as the single ground connection point. Or using a 0-Ω resistor to tie analog ground to power ground (the thermal pad should tie to analog ground in this case). A star-connection under the thermal pad is highly recommended.

8. It is critical that the exposed thermal pad on the back side of the IC package be soldered to the PCB ground. Ensure that there are sufficient thermal vias directly under the IC, connecting to the ground plane on the other layers.
9. Decoupling capacitors should be placed next to the IC pins to make trace connections as short as possible.
10. All via sizes and numbers should be enough for a given current path.

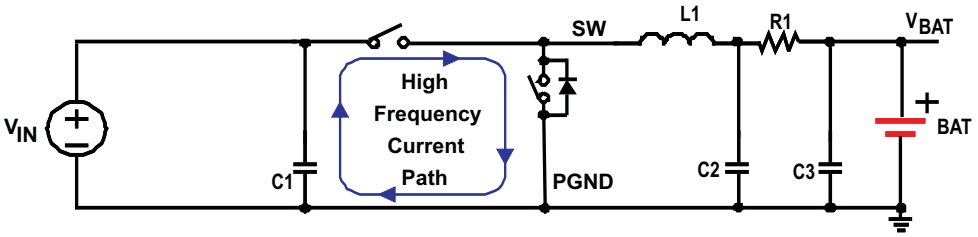

Figure 18. High Frequency Current Path

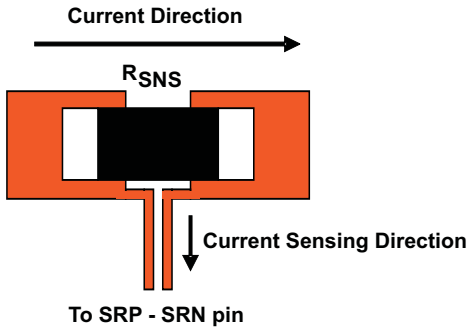

Figure 19. Sensing Resistor PCB Layout

See the EVM design (SLUU410) for the recommended component placement with trace and via locations.

For QFN information, see SCBA017 and SLUA271.

REVISION HISTORY

Changes from Revision Original (March 2010) to Revision A	Page
• Replaced Thermal Information table	3
• Changed description for PH and BTST pins	11
• Corrected Equation 14	24

PACKAGING INFORMATION

Orderable Device	Status (1)	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	Package Qty	Eco Plan (2)	Lead/Ball Finish	MSL Peak Temp (3)	Op Temp (°C)	Top-Side Markings (4)	Samples
BQ24620RVAR	ACTIVE	VQFN	RVA	16	3000	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	OAR	Samples
BQ24620RVAT	ACTIVE	VQFN	RVA	16	250	Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br)	CU NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 85	OAR	Samples

(1) The marketing status values are defined as follows:
ACTIVE: Product device recommended for new designs.
LIFEBUY: TI has announced that the device will be discontinued, and a lifetime-buy period is in effect.
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(2) Eco Plan - The planned eco-friendly classification: Pb-Free (RoHS), Pb-Free (RoHS Exempt), or Green (RoHS & no Sb/Br) - please check http://www.ti.com/productcontent for the latest availability information and additional product content details.
TBD: The Pb-Free/Green conversion plan has not been defined.
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(3) MSL, Peak Temp. -- The Moisture Sensitivity Level rating according to the JEDEC industry standard classifications, and peak solder temperature.

(4) Only one of markings shown within the brackets will appear on the physical device.

TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION

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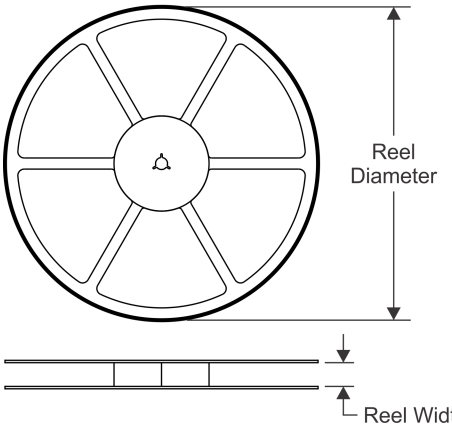

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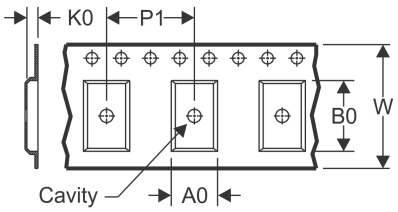
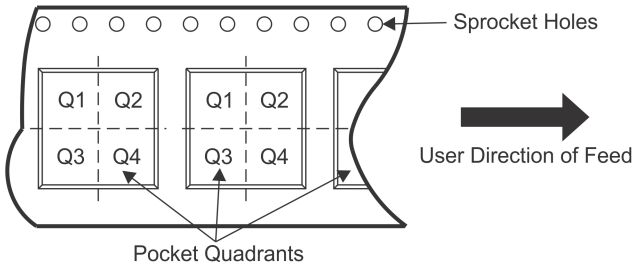


A0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component width
B0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component length
K0	Dimension designed to accommodate the component thickness
W	Overall width of the carrier tape
P1	Pitch between successive cavity centers

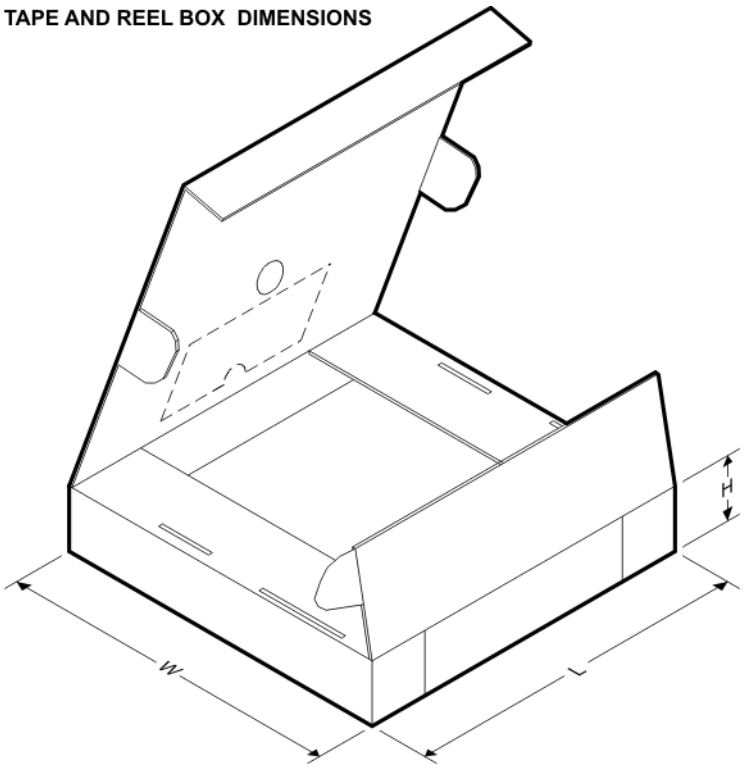
QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE



*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
BQ24620RVAR	VQFN	RVA	16	3000	330.0	12.4	3.75	3.75	1.15	8.0	12.0	Q1
BQ24620RVAT	VQFN	RVA	16	250	180.0	12.4	3.75	3.75	1.15	8.0	12.0	Q1

TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS



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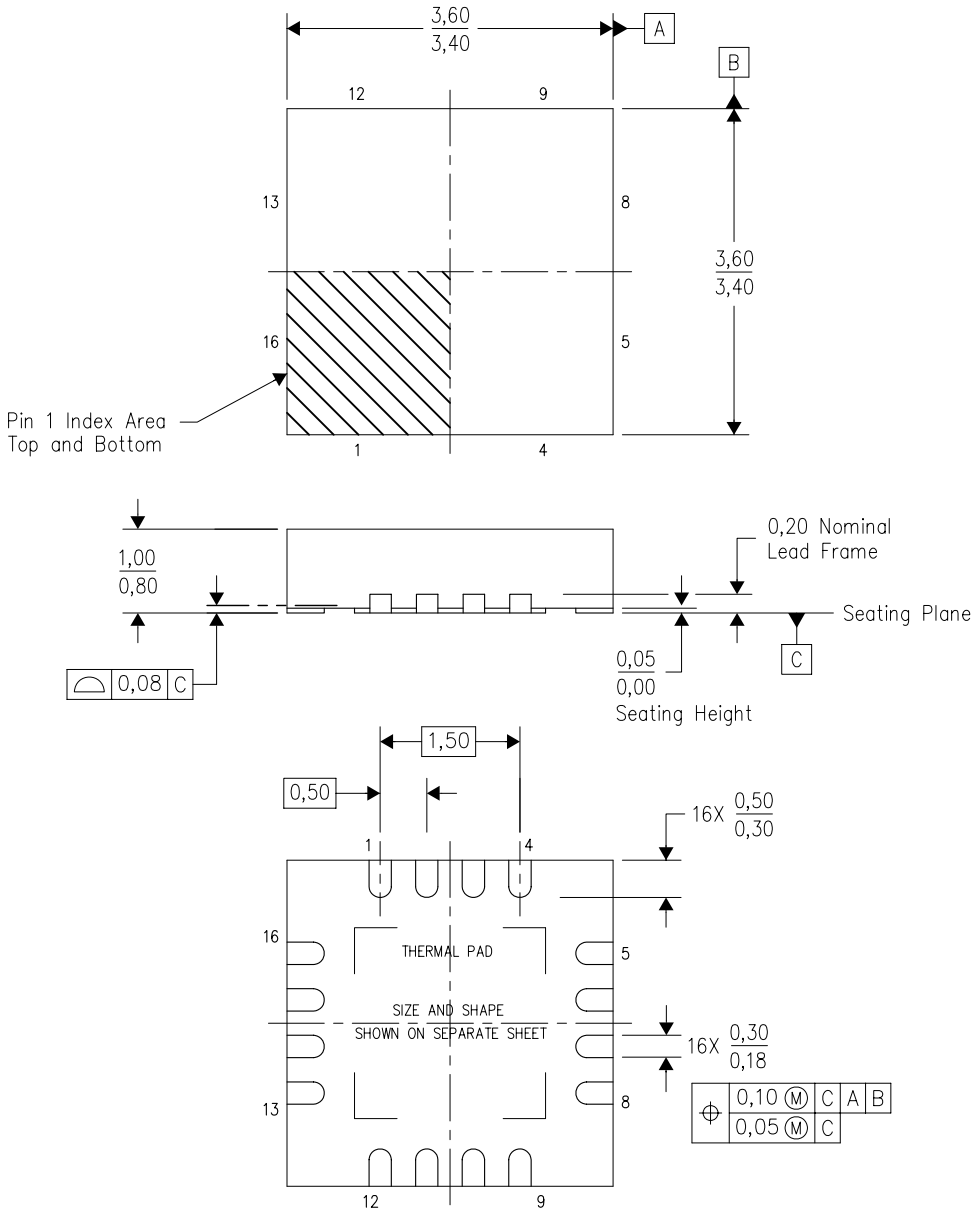
Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
BQ24620RVAR	VQFN	RVA	16	3000	367.0	367.0	35.0
BQ24620RVAT	VQFN	RVA	16	250	210.0	185.0	35.0

RVA (S–PVQFN–N16) PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK NO–LEAD



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NOTES:
A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M–1994.
B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
C. QFN (Quad Flatpack No–Lead) package configuration.
D. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the board for thermal and mechanical performance.
E. See the additional figure in the Product Data Sheet for details regarding the exposed thermal pad features and dimensions.

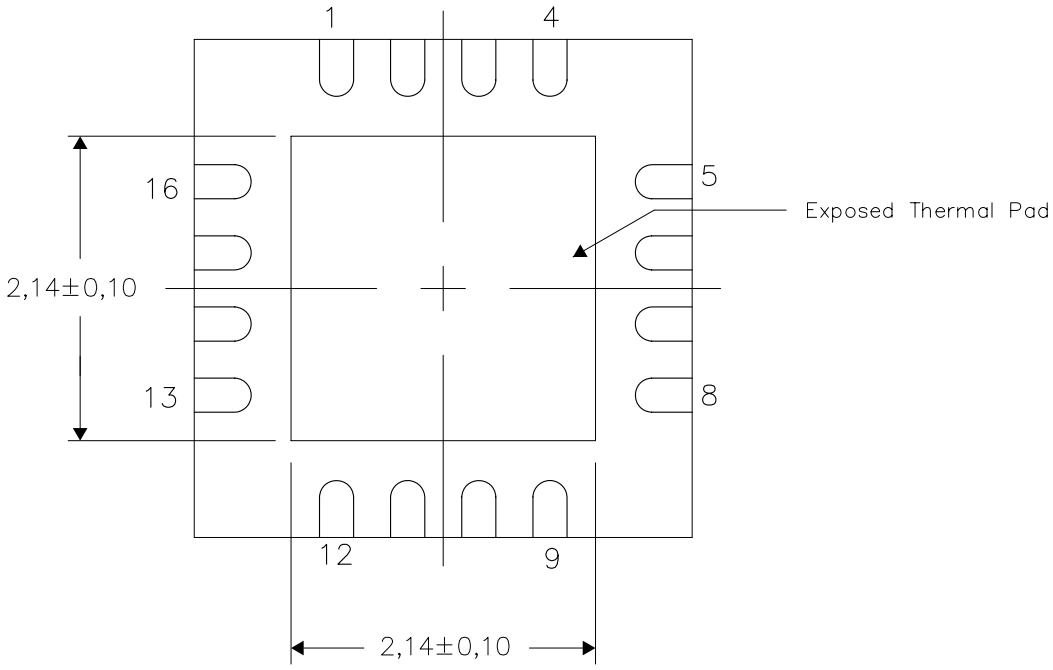
RVA (S–PVQFN–N16) PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK NO–LEAD

THERMAL INFORMATION

This package incorporates an exposed thermal pad that is designed to be attached directly to an external heatsink. The thermal pad must be soldered directly to the printed circuit board (PCB). After soldering, the PCB can be used as a heatsink. In addition, through the use of thermal vias, the thermal pad can be attached directly to the appropriate copper plane shown in the electrical schematic for the device, or alternatively, can be attached to a special heatsink structure designed into the PCB. This design optimizes the heat transfer from the integrated circuit (IC).

For information on the Quad Flatpack No–Lead (QFN) package and its advantages, refer to Application Report, QFN/SON PCB Attachment, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271. This document is available at www.ti.com.

The exposed thermal pad dimensions for this package are shown in the following illustration.



Bottom View

Exposed Thermal Pad Dimensions

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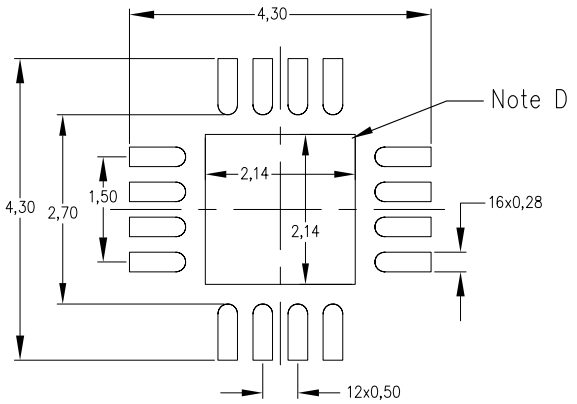
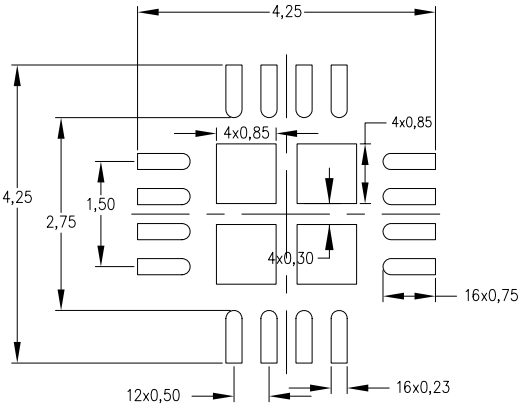
Example Board Layout

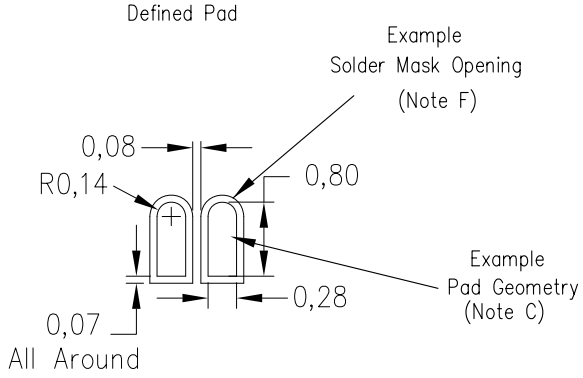


Example Stencil Design
0.125mm Stencil Thickness
(Note E)



63% solder coverage by printed
area on center thermal pad

Non Solder Mask
Defined Pad



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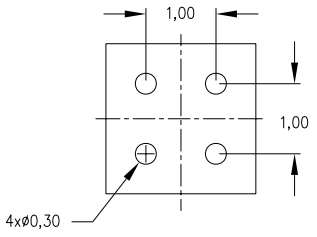

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NOTES:
A. All linear dimensions are in millimeters.
B. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
C. Publication IPC–7351 is recommended for alternate designs.
D. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. Refer to Application Note, Quad Flat–Pack QFN/SON PCB Attachment, Texas Instruments Literature No. SLUA271, and also the Product Data Sheets for specific thermal information, via requirements, and recommended board layout. These documents are available at www.ti.com <http://www.ti.com>.
E. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and also rounding corners will offer better paste release. Customers should contact their board assembly site for stencil design recommendations. Refer to IPC 7525 for stencil design considerations.
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