

**5A 240KHz 35V Buck DC to DC Converter****General Description**

The SC2678 is a 240 KHz fixed frequency monolithic step down switch mode regulator with a built in internal Power MOSFET. It achieves 5A continuous output current over a wide input supply range with excellent load and line regulation.

The device includes a voltage reference, oscillation circuit, error amplifier, internal PMOS and etc.

The PWM control circuit is able to adjust the duty ratio linearly from 0 to 100%. An enable function, an over current protection function and a short circuit protection function are built inside. An internal compensation block is built in to minimize external component count.

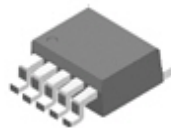
The SC2678 serves as ideal power supply units for portable devices.

**Features**

- 5A Constant Output Current
- $80\text{m}\Omega$   $R_{\text{DS(on)}}$  Internal Power PMOSFET Switch
- Up to 95% Efficiency
- Fixed 240KHz Frequency
- Wide 3.6V to 35V Input Voltage Range
- Output Adjustable from 1.222V to 30V
- Built in Frequency Compensation
- Built in Thermal Shutdown Function
- Built in Current Limit Function
- TO-263 Package is Available
- The minimum dropout up to 0.3V

**Applications**

- Portable DVD
- LCD Monitor / TV
- Battery Charger
- ADSL Modem
- Telecom / Networking Equipment

**TO263-5L****Figure 1 Package Type of SC2678**

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### Pin Configurations

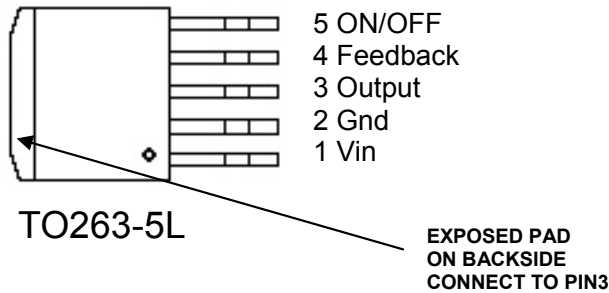
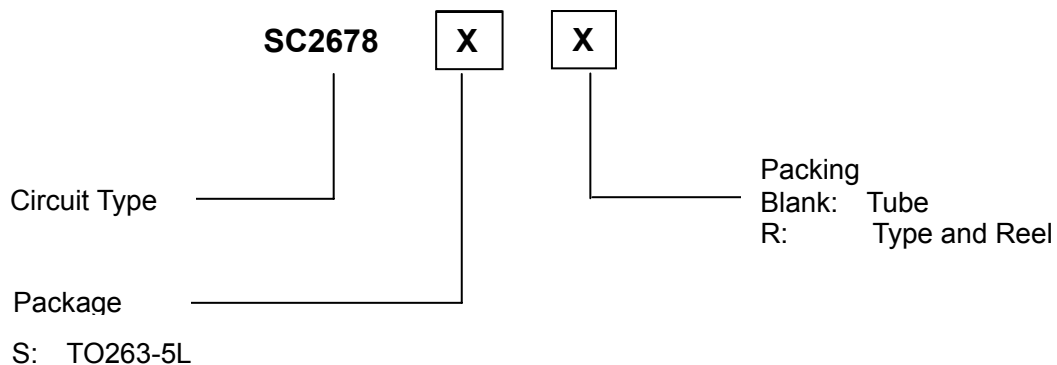


Figure 2 Pin Configuration of SC2678 (Top View)

#### Pin Description

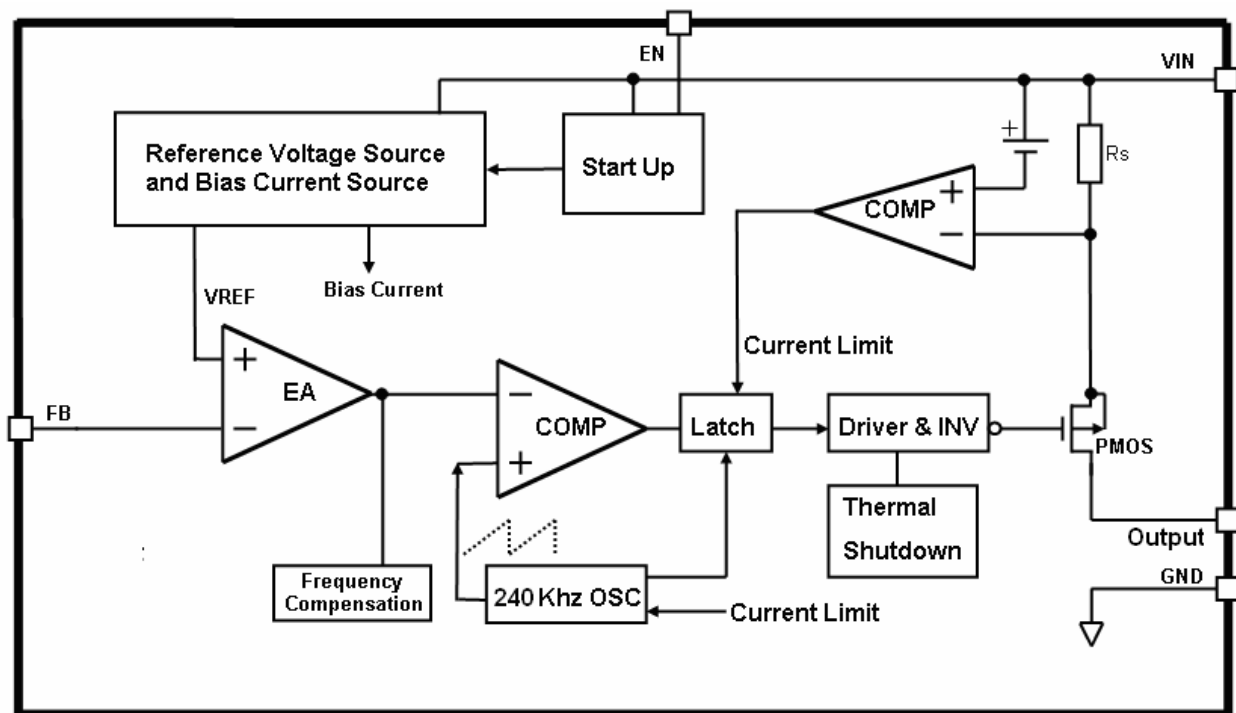
Pin Number	Pin Name	Description
1	Vin	Supply Voltage Input Pin. SC2678 operates from a 3.6V to 35V DC voltage. Bypass Vin to GND with a suitably large capacitor to eliminate noise on the input.
3	Output	Power Switch Output Pin. SW is the switch node that supplies power to the output.
2	GND	Ground Pin. Care must be taken in layout. This pin should be placed outside of the Schottky Diode to output capacitor ground path to prevent switching current spikes from inducing voltage noise into SC2678.
4	FB	Feedback Pin. Through an external resistor divider network, FB senses the output voltage and regulates it. The feedback threshold voltage is 1.222V.
5	EN	Enable Pin. EN is a digital input that turns the regulator on or off. Drive EN pin high to turn on the regulator, drive it low to turn it off.

### Ordering Information



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## Function Block



### Figure 3 Function Block Diagram of SC2678

## Absolute Maximum Ratings

Parameter	Symbol	Value	Unit
Input Voltage	V <sub>IN</sub>	-0.3 to 35	V
Feedback Pin Voltage	V <sub>FB</sub>	-0.3 to V <sub>in</sub>	V
Enable Pin Voltage	V <sub>EN</sub>	-0.3 to 12	V
Switch Pin Voltage	V <sub>SW</sub>	-0.3 to V <sub>in</sub>	V
Output Power Limited	P <sub>out</sub>	36	W
Operating Junction Temperature	T <sub>J</sub>	150	°C
Storage Temperature	T <sub>STG</sub>	-65 to 150	°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 10 sec)	T <sub>LEAD</sub>	260	°C
ESD (HBM)		2000	V
Thermal Resistance-Junction to Ambient	R <sub>θJA</sub>	85	°C / W
Thermal Resistance-Junction to Case	R <sub>θJC</sub>	45	°C / W

**Note1:** Stresses greater than those listed under Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. This is a stress rating only and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions above those indicated in the operation is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may affect reliability.

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### Recommended Operating Conditions

Parameter	Symbol	Min.	Max.	Unit
Input Voltage	$V_{IN}$	3.6	35	V
Operating Junction Temperature	$T_J$	-40	125	°C
Operating Ambient Temperature	$T_A$	-40	85	°C

### Electrical Characteristics

$V_{CC} = 12V$ ,  $T_a = 25^{\circ}C$  unless otherwise specified.

Parameters	Symbol	Test Condition	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Input voltage	$V_{IN}$		3.6		35	V
Shutdown Supply Current	$I_{STBY}$	$V_{EN}=0V$		30	90	uA
Supply Current	$I_{CC}$	$V_{EN}=2V$ , $V_{FB}=1.3V$		3.6	4	mA
Feedback Voltage	$V_{FB}$	$V_{IN} = 3.6V$ to $23V$	1.185	1.222	1.26	V
Feedback Bias Current	$I_{FB}$	$V_{FB}=1.3V$		0.1	0.5	uA
Switch Current Limit	$I_{LIM}$			6	6.5	A
Oscillator Frequency	$F_{OSC}$		200	240	280	KHz
Frequency of Current Limit or Short Circuit Protection	$F_{OSC1}$	$V_{FB}=0V$		42		KHz
EN Pin Threshold	$V_{EN}$		0.7	1.2	1.7	V
EN Pin Input Leakage Current	$I_H$	$V_{EN}=2.5V$		-0.1	-1	uA
	$I_L$	$V_{EN}=0.5V$		-3	-10	uA
Internal PMOS $R_{DS(on)}$	$R_{DS(on)}$	$V_{IN}=12V$ , $V_{FB}=0V$ $V_{EN}=12V$ , $I_{out}=5A$		80		mΩ
Max. Duty Cycle	$D_{MAX}$	$V_{FB}=0V$ , $I_{SW}=0.1A$		100		%
Efficiency	$\eta$	$V_{IN}=12V$ , $V_{out}=5V$ $I_{out}=5A$	-	92	-	%
Thermal Shutdown	$T_{OTSD}$			165		°C

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### Typical Performance Characteristics

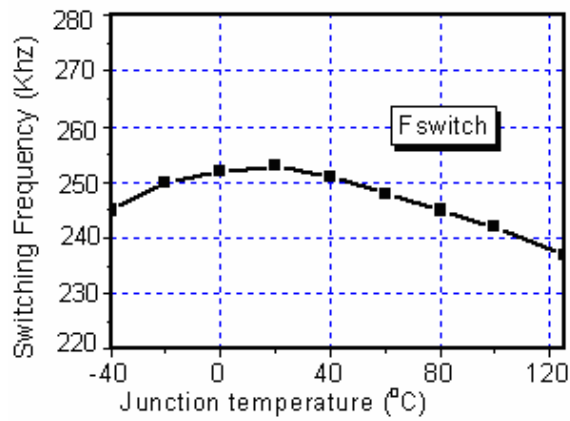


Figure 4. Switching Frequency vs. Temperature

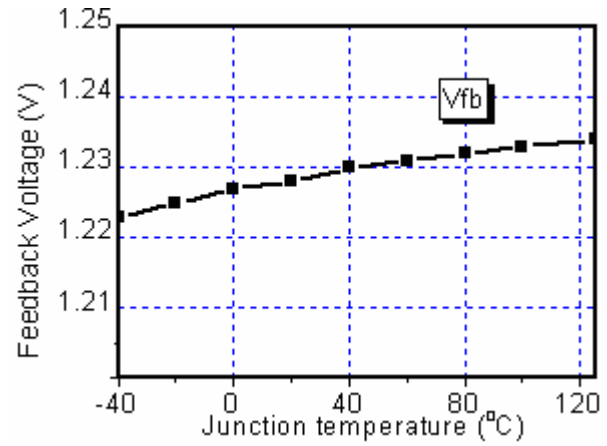


Figure 5. Vfb vs. Temperature

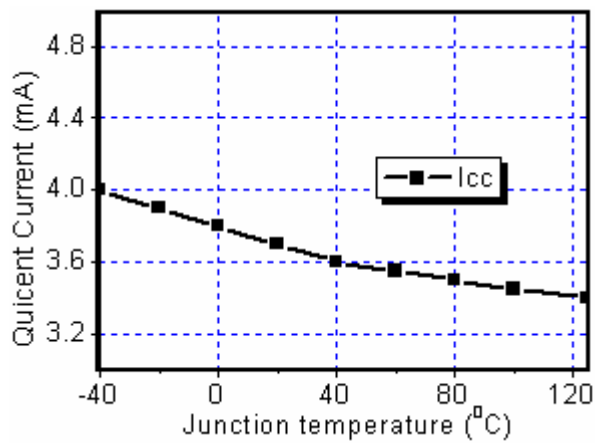


Figure 6. Icc vs. Temperature

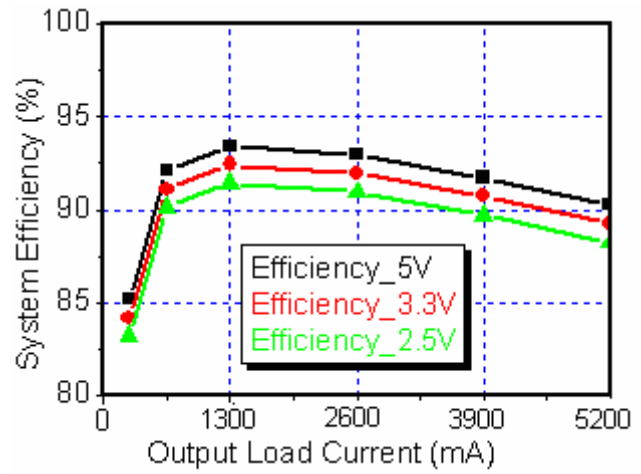


Figure 7. Efficiency vs. Load (Vin=10V)

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Typical Application Circuit

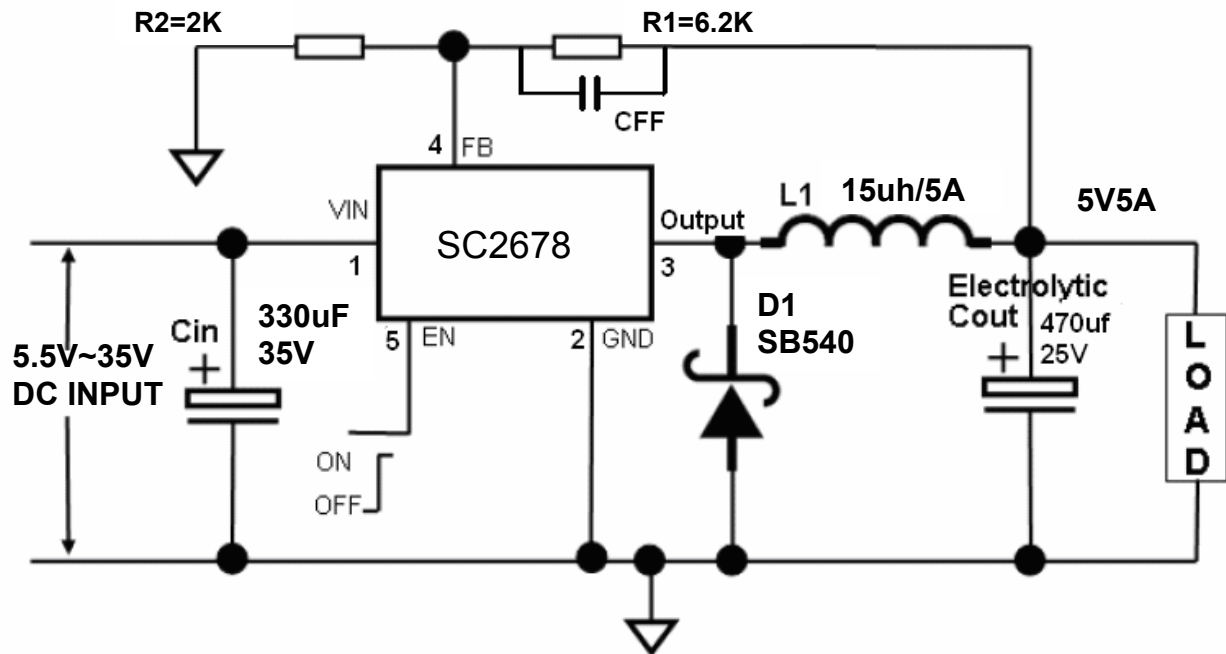


Fig8. SC2678 Typical Application Circuit @ 5V/5A

Note: In PCB layout. Reserved an area for CFF

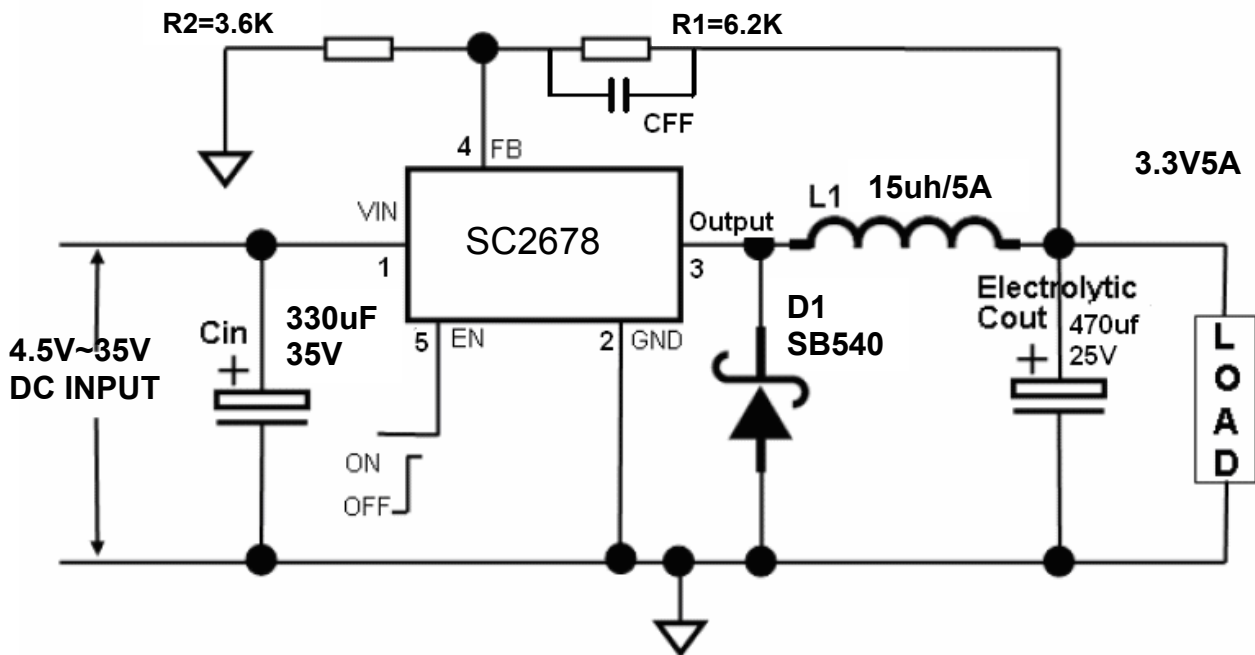


Fig9. SC2678 Typical Application Circuit @ 3.3V/5A

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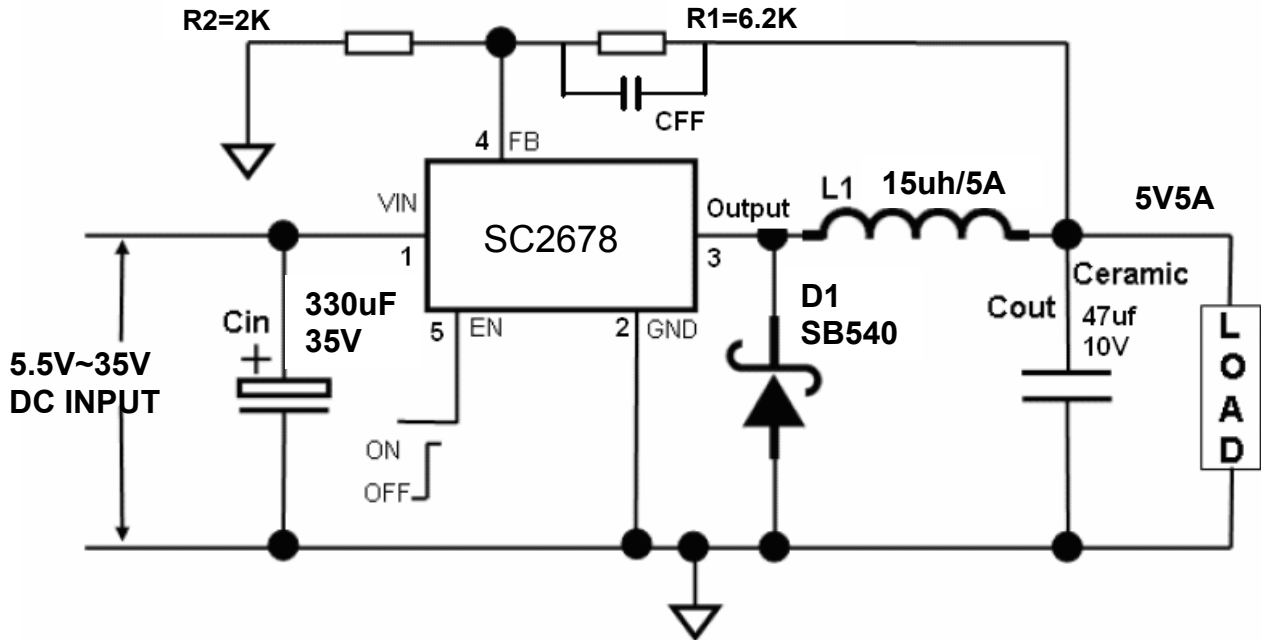


Fig10. SC2678 Typical Application Circuit (with ceramic output capacitor) @ 5V/5A

Note: In PCB layout. Reserved an area for CFF

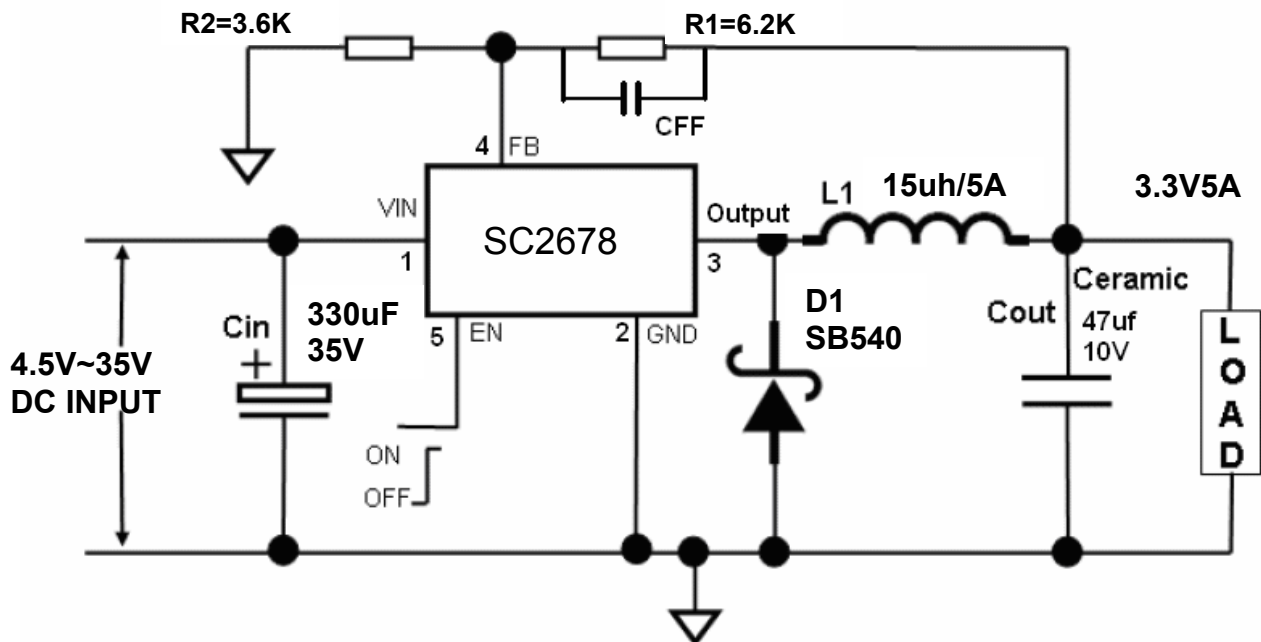


Fig11. SC2678 Typical Application Circuit (with ceramic output capacitor) @ 3.3V/5A

Note: In PCB layout. Reserved an area for CFF

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### Schottky Rectifier Selection Guide

Vin (Max)	5A Load Current	
	Part Number	Vendor
36V	SB540	2
	SR540	6
	NA05QSA035	1

Table 1 lists some rectifier manufacturers.

No.	Vendor	Web Site
1	Nihon Inter	<a href="http://www.niec.co.jp">www.niec.co.jp</a>
2	Fairchild Semiconductor	<a href="http://www.fairchildsemi.com">www.fairchildsemi.com</a>
3	General Semiconductor	<a href="http://www.gensemi.com">www.gensemi.com</a>
4	International Rectifier	<a href="http://www.irf.com">www.irf.com</a>
5	On Semiconductor	<a href="http://www.onsemi.com">www.onsemi.com</a>
6	Pan Jit International	<a href="http://www.panjit.com.tw">www.panjit.com.tw</a>

Table 2 Schottky Diode manufacturers.

### Output Voltage VS R1, R2 Resistor Selection Guide

$$V_{out} = (1 + R1/R2) * 1.222V$$

Vout	R1	R2
1.8V	3.9K	8.2K
2.5V	3.2K	3K
3.3V	6.2K	3.6K
5V	6.2K	2K
9V	13K	2K
12V	16K	1.8K

Table 3. Vout VS. R1, R2 Select Table



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### Function Description

#### Pin Functions

##### **V<sub>IN</sub>**

This is the positive input supply for the IC switching regulator. A suitable input bypass capacitor must be present at this pin to minimize voltage transients and to supply the switching currents needed by the regulator

##### **Gnd**

Circuit ground.

##### **SW**

Internal switch. The voltage at this pin switches between ( $V_{IN} - V_{SAT}$ ) and approximately  $-0.5V$ , with a duty cycle of approximately  $V_{OUT} / V_{IN}$ . To minimize coupling to sensitive circuitry, the PC board copper area connected to this pin should be kept a minimum.

##### **FB**

Senses the regulated output voltage to complete the feedback loop.

##### **EN**

Allows the switching regulator circuit to be shutdown using logic level signals thus dropping the total input supply current to approximately 30uA. Pulling this pin below a threshold voltage of approximately 0.7 V turns the regulator down, and pulling this pin above 1.3V (**up to a maximum of 12V**) shuts the regulator on. For automatic startup condition, can be implemented by the addition of a resistive voltage divider from  $V_{IN}$  to GND.

#### Thermal Considerations

The SC2678 (TO-263 package) junction temperature rise above ambient temperature with a 5A load for various input and output voltages. This data was taken with the circuit operating as a buck switching regulator with all components mounted on a PC board to simulate the junction temperature under actual operating conditions. This curve can be used for a quick check for the approximate junction temperature for various conditions, but be aware that there are many factors that can affect the junction temperature. When load currents higher than 5A are used, double sided or multilayer PC boards with large copper areas and/or airflow might be needed, especially for high ambient temperatures and

high output voltages.

For the best thermal performance, wide copper traces and generous amounts of printed circuit board copper should be used in the board layout. (Once exception to this is the output (switch) pin, which should not have large areas of copper.) Large areas of copper provide the best transfer of heat (lower thermal resistance) to the surrounding air, and moving air lowers the thermal resistance even further.

#### Setting the Output Voltage

The output voltage is set using a resistive voltage divider from the output voltage to FB. The voltage divider divides the output voltage down by the ratio:

$$V_{FB} = V_{OUT} * R2 / (R1 + R2)$$

Thus the output voltage is:

$$V_{OUT} = 1.222 * (R1 + R2) / R2$$

$R2$  can be as high as 100K $\Omega$ , but a typical value is 10K $\Omega$ . Using that value,  $R1$  is determined by:

$$R1 \approx 8.18 * (V_{OUT} - 1.222) \text{ (K}\Omega\text{)}$$

For example, for a 3.3V output voltage,  $R2$  is 10K $\Omega$ , and  $R1$  is 17K $\Omega$ .

#### Inductor

The inductor is required to supply constant current to the output load while being driven by the switched input voltage. A larger value inductor results in less ripple current that in turn results in lower output ripple voltage. However, the larger value inductor has a larger physical size, higher series resistance, and/or lower saturation current. Choose an inductor that does not saturate under the worst-case load conditions. A good rule for determining the inductance is to allow the peak-to-peak ripple current in the inductor to be approximately 30% of the maximum load current. Also, make sure that the peak inductor current (the load current plus half the peak-to-peak inductor ripple current) is below the TBDA minimum current limit. The inductance value can be calculated by the equation:

$$L = (V_{OUT}) * (V_{IN} - V_{OUT}) / V_{IN} * f * \Delta I$$

Where  $V_{OUT}$  is the output voltage,  $V_{IN}$  is the input voltage,  $f$  is the switching frequency, and

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$\Delta I$  is the peak-to-peak inductor ripple current.

### Input Capacitor

The input current to the step-down converter is discontinuous, and so a capacitor is required to supply the AC current to the step-down converter while maintaining the DC input voltage. A low ESR capacitor is required to keep the noise at the IC to a minimum. Ceramic capacitors are preferred, but tantalum or low-ESR electrolytic capacitors may also suffice.

The input capacitor value should be greater than 10 $\mu$ F. The capacitor can be electrolytic, tantalum or ceramic. However since it absorbs the input switching current it requires an adequate ripple current rating. Its RMS current rating should be greater than approximately 1/2 of the DC load current.

For insuring stable operation should be placed as close to the IC as possible.

Alternately a smaller high quality ceramic 0.1 $\mu$ F capacitor may be placed closer to the IC and a larger capacitor placed further away. If using this technique, it is recommended that the larger capacitor be a tantalum or electrolytic type. All ceramic capacitors should be placed close to the SC2678.

### Output Capacitor

The output capacitor is required to maintain the DC output voltage. Low ESR capacitors are preferred to keep the output voltage ripple low. The characteristics of the output capacitor also affect the stability of the regulation control system. Ceramic, tantalum, or low ESR electrolytic capacitors are recommended. In the case of ceramic capacitors, the impedance at the switching frequency is dominated by the capacitance, and so the output voltage ripple is mostly independent of the ESR. The output voltage ripple is estimated to be:

$$VRIPPLE \sim 1.4 * VIN * (f_{LC}/f_{SW})^2$$

Where VRIPPLE is the output ripple voltage, VIN is the input voltage,  $f_{LC}$  is the resonant frequency of the LC filter,  $f_{SW}$  is the switching frequency. In the case of tantalum or low-ESR electrolytic capacitors, the ESR dominates the impedance at the switching frequency, and so the output ripple is calculated as:

$$VRIPPLE \sim \Delta I * RESR$$

Where VRIPPLE is the output voltage ripple,  $\Delta I$  is the inductor ripple current, and RESR is the equivalent series resistance of the output capacitors.

### Output Rectifier Diode

The output rectifier diode supplies the current to the inductor when the high-side switch is off. To reduce losses due to the diode forward voltage and recovery times, use a Schottky rectifier.

Table 1 provides the Schottky rectifier part numbers based on the maximum input voltage and current rating.

Choose a rectifier whose maximum reverse voltage rating is greater than the maximum input voltage, and whose current rating is greater than the maximum load current.

### Feedforward Capacitor (CFF)

For output voltages greater than approximately 8V, an additional capacitor is required. The compensation capacitor is typically between 100 pF and 33 nF, and is wired in parallel with the output voltage setting resistor, R1. It provides additional stability for high output voltages, low input-output voltages, and/or very low ESR output capacitors, such as solid tantalum capacitors.

$$C_{FF} = \frac{1}{31 \times 10^3 \times R_1}$$

This capacitor type can be ceramic, plastic, silver mica, etc. (Because of the unstable characteristics of ceramic capacitors made with Z5U material, they are not recommended.)

*Note: In PCB layout. Reserved an area for CFF.*

### Over Current Protection (OCP)

The cycle by cycle current limit threshold is set between 6A and 6.5A. When the load current reaches the current limit threshold, the cycle by cycle current limit circuit turns off the high side switch immediately to terminate the current duty cycle. The inductor current stops rising. The cycle by cycle current limit protection directly limits inductor peak current. The average inductor current is also limited due to the limitation on peak inductor current. When the cycle by cycle current limit circuit is triggered, the output voltage drops as the duty cycle is decreasing.

### Thermal Management and Layout Consideration

In the SC2678 buck regulator circuit, high pulsing current flows through two circuit loops. The first

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loop starts from the input capacitors, to the VIN pin, to the VOUT pins, to the filter inductor, to the output capacitor and load, and then returns to the input capacitor through ground.

Current flows in the first loop when the high side switch is on. The second loop starts from the inductor, to the output capacitors and load, to the GND pin of the SC2678, and to the VOUT pins of the SC2678. Current flows in the second loop when the low side diode is on.

In PCB layout, minimizing the two loops area reduces the noise of this circuit and improves efficiency. A ground plane is recommended to connect input capacitor, output capacitor, and GND pin of the SC2678.

In the SC2678 buck regulator circuit, the two major power dissipating components are the SC2678 and output inductor. The total power dissipation of converter circuit can be measured by input power minus output power.

$$P_{total\_loss} = V_{IN} \times I_{IN} - V_O \times I_O$$

The power dissipation of inductor can be approximately calculated by output current and DCR of inductor.

$$P_{inductor\_loss} = I_O^2 \times R_{inductor} \times 1.1$$

The junction to ambient temperature can be got from power dissipation in the SC2678 and thermal impedance from junction to ambient.

$$T_{(jun-amb)} = (P_{totalloss} - P_{inductorloss}) \times \Theta_{JA}$$

The maximum junction temperature of SC2678 is

145°C, which limits the maximum load current capability. Please see the thermal de-rating curves for the maximum load current of the SC2678 under different ambient temperatures.

The thermal performance of the SC2678 is strongly affected by the PCB layout. Extra care should be taken by users during the design process to ensure that the IC will operate under the recommended environmental conditions.

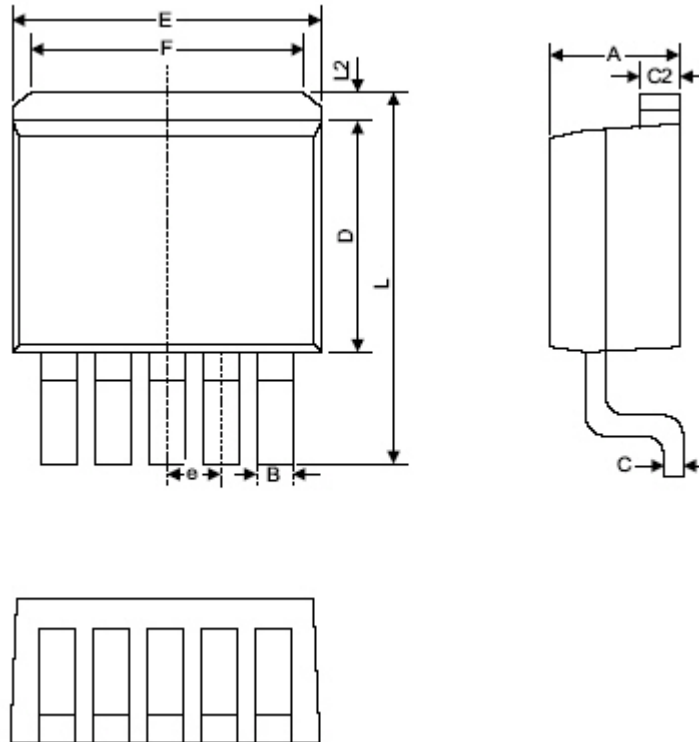
Several layout tips are listed below for the best electric and thermal performance.

1. Do not use thermal relief connection to the VIN and the GND pin. Pour a maximized copper area to the GND pin and the VIN pin to help thermal dissipation.
2. Input capacitor should be connected to the VIN pin and the GND pin as close as possible.
3. Make the current trace from VOUT pins to L to the GND as short as possible.
4. Pour copper plane on all unused board area and connect it to stable DC nodes, like VIN, GND, or VOUT.
5. Keep sensitive signal traces such as trace connecting FB pin away from the VOUT pins.

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## Package Information

### TO263-5L Package Outline Dimensions



Symbol	Dimensions In Millimeters		Dimensions In Inches	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
A	4.06	4.83	0.160	0.190
B	0.76	1.02	0.030	0.040
C	0.36	0.64	0.014	0.025
C2	1.14	1.40	0.045	0.055
D	8.64	9.65	0.340	0.380
E	9.78	10.54	0.385	0.415
e	1.57	1.85	0.062	0.073
F	6.60	7.11	0.260	0.280
L	15.11	15.37	0.595	0.605
L2	-	1.40	-	0.055