

## LT8642S 18V, 10A Synchronous Step-Down Silent Switcher 2

### DESCRIPTION

Demonstration circuit 2560A is a 18V, 10A synchronous step-down Silent Switcher<sup>®</sup>2 with spread spectrum frequency modulation featuring the LT<sup>®</sup>8642S. The demo board is designed for 1.2V output from a 2.8V to 18V input. The LT8642S is a compact, ultralow emission, high efficiency, and high speed synchronous monolithic step-down switching regulator. The integrated bypass capacitors optimize all the fast current loops and make it easier to minimize EMI/EMC emissions by reducing layout sensitivity. Selectable spread spectrum mode can further improve EMI/EMC performance. Fast minimum on-time of 20ns enables high  $V_{IN}$  to low  $V_{OUT}$  conversion at high frequency.

The LT8642S switching frequency can be programmed either via a resistor or external clock over a 200kHz to 3MHz range. The default frequency of demo circuit 2560A is 2MHz. The SYNC pin on the demo board is grounded (JP1 at BURST position) by default for low ripple Burst Mode<sup>®</sup> operation. To synchronize to an external clock, move JP1 to SYNC and apply the external clock to the SYNC terminal. Spread spectrum mode and forced continuous mode can be selected respectively by moving JP1 shunt. Figure 1 shows the efficiency of the

circuit at 5V input and 12V input in force continuous mode operation (input from VIN terminal). Figure 2 shows the LT8642S temperature rising on DC2658A demo board under 8A and 10A load conditions.

The demo board has an EMI filter installed. This EMI filter can be included by applying the input voltage at the VIN\_EMI terminal. The EMI performance of the board (with and without EMI filter) is shown on Figure 3. The red line in Radiated EMI Performance is the CISPR32 Class B limit. The figure shows that the LT8642S circuit passes the test without the EMI filter.

The LT8642S data sheet gives a complete description of the part, operation and application information. The data sheet must be read in conjunction with this demo manual for demo circuit 2560A. The LT8642S is assembled in a 4mm × 4mm LQFN package with exposed pads for low thermal resistance. The layout recommendations for low EMI operation and maximum thermal performance are available in the data sheet section Low EMI PCB Layout and Thermal Considerations.

**[Design files for this circuit board are available.](#)**

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### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY Specifications are at $T_A = 25^\circ\text{C}$

SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
$V_{IN}$	Input Supply Range		2.8		18	V
$V_{OUT}$	Output Voltage		1.164	1.2	1.236	V
$I_{OUT}$	Maximum Output Current		10			A
$f_{SW}$	Switching Frequency		1.925	2	2.075	MHz
EFF	Efficiency	$V_{IN} = 12V, V_{OUT} = 1.2V, I_{OUT} = 10A$		84.0		%

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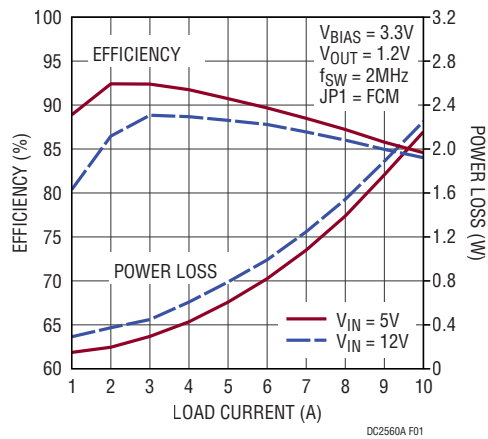


Figure 1. LT8642S Demo Circuit DC2560A Efficiency vs Load Current (Input from VIN Terminal)

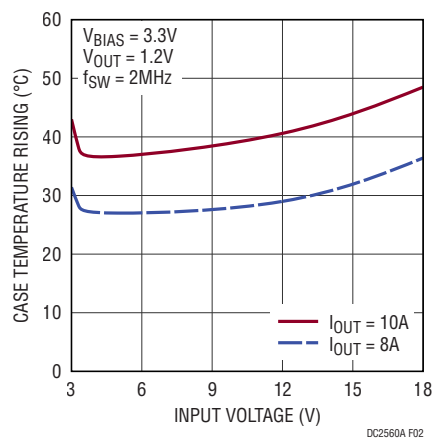
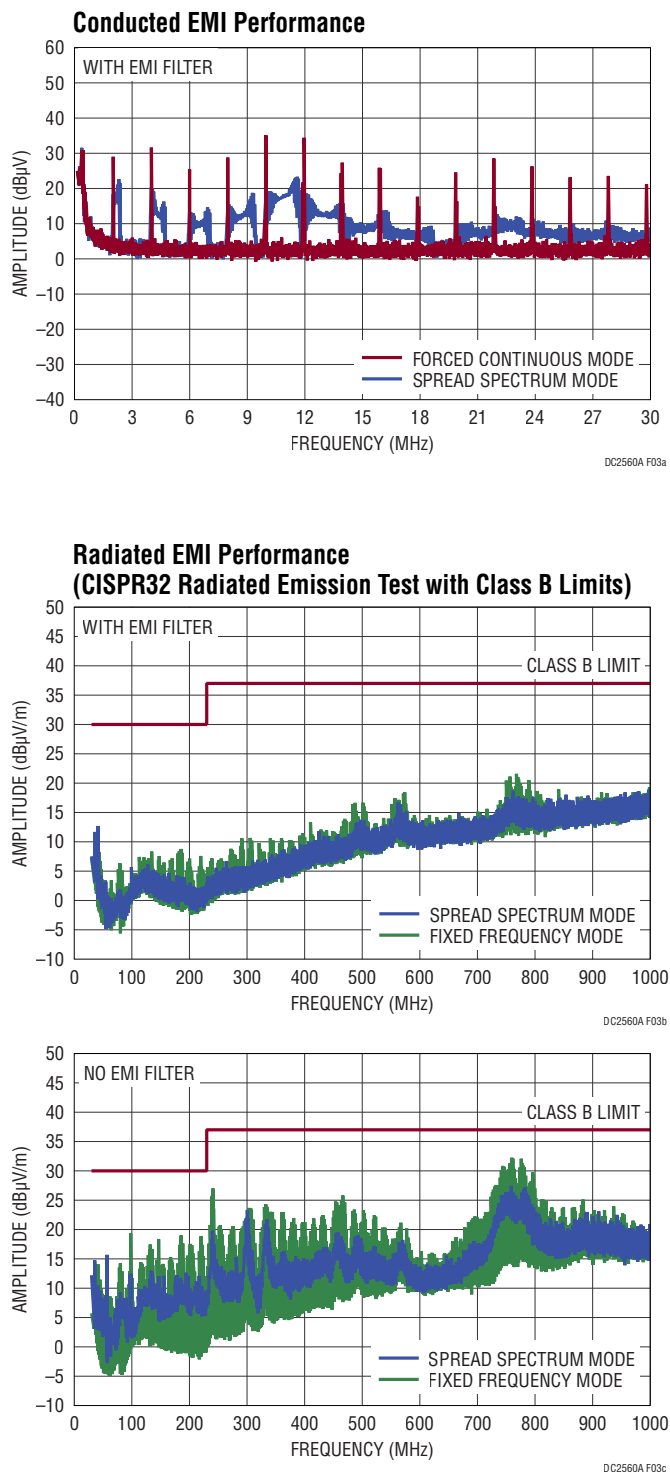


Figure 2. LT8642S Demo Circuit DC2560A Case Temperature Rising vs Input Voltage

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**Figure 3. LT8642S Demo Circuit DC2560A EMI Performance  
(12V Input to 1.2V Output at 10A,  $f_{sw} = 2\text{MHz}$ )**

## QUICK START PROCEDURE

Demonstration circuit 2560A is easy to set up to evaluate the performance of the LT8642S. Refer to Figure 4 for proper measurement equipment setup and follow the procedure below:

NOTE: When measuring the input or output voltage ripple, care must be taken to avoid a long ground lead on the oscilloscope probe. Measure the output voltage ripple by touching the probe tip directly across the output capacitor. See Figure 5 for the proper scope technique. Figure 6 shows the output voltage ripple measured at the output capacitor C9.

1. Place JP1 on BURST position.
2. With power off, connect the input power supply to VIN and GND. If the input EMI filter is desired, connect the input power supply to VIN\_EMI and GND.
3. With power off, connect the load from VOUT to GND.
4. To read the input voltage and output voltage accurately, the voltage meters should be connected to VIN SENSE and VO SENSE turret pins.

5. Turn on the power at the input.

NOTE. Make sure that the input voltage does not exceed 18V.

6. Check for the proper output voltage ( $V_{OUT} = 1.2V$ ).

NOTE. If there is no output, temporarily disconnect the load to make sure that the load is not set too high or is shorted.

7. Once the proper output voltage is established, adjust the load within the operating ranges and observe the output voltage regulation, ripple voltage, efficiency and other parameters.

8. An external clock can be added to the SYNC terminal when SYNC function is used (JP1 on the SYNC position). Please make sure that R2 should be chose to set the LT8642S switching frequency equal to or below the lowest SYNC frequency. JP1 can also set LT8642S in spread spectrum mode (JP1 on the SPREAD-SPECTRUM position) or forced continuous mode (JP1 on the FCM position).

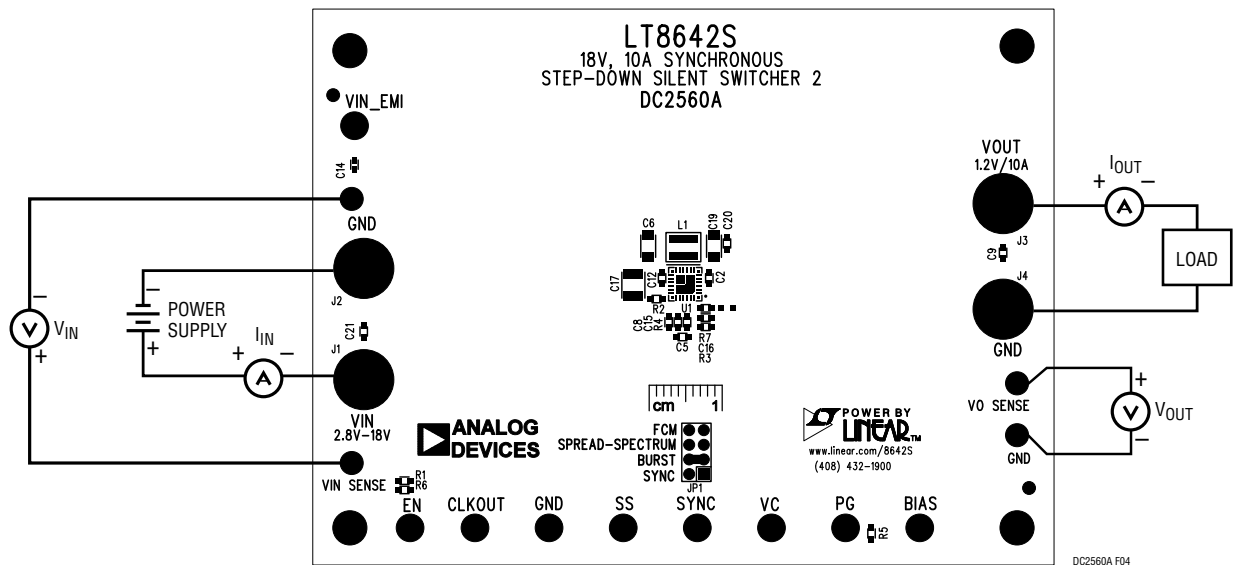
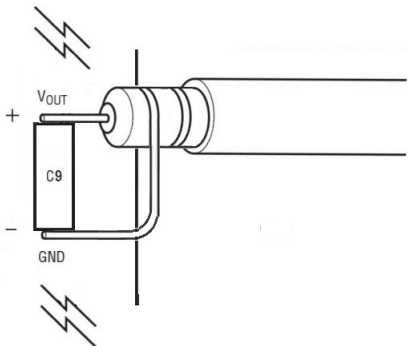
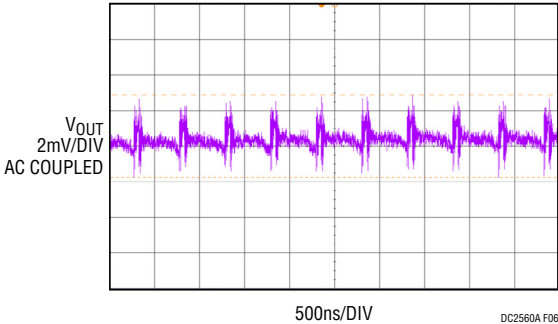


Figure 4. Proper Measurement Equipment Setup

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**Figure 5. Measuring Output Ripple at Output Capacitor C9**



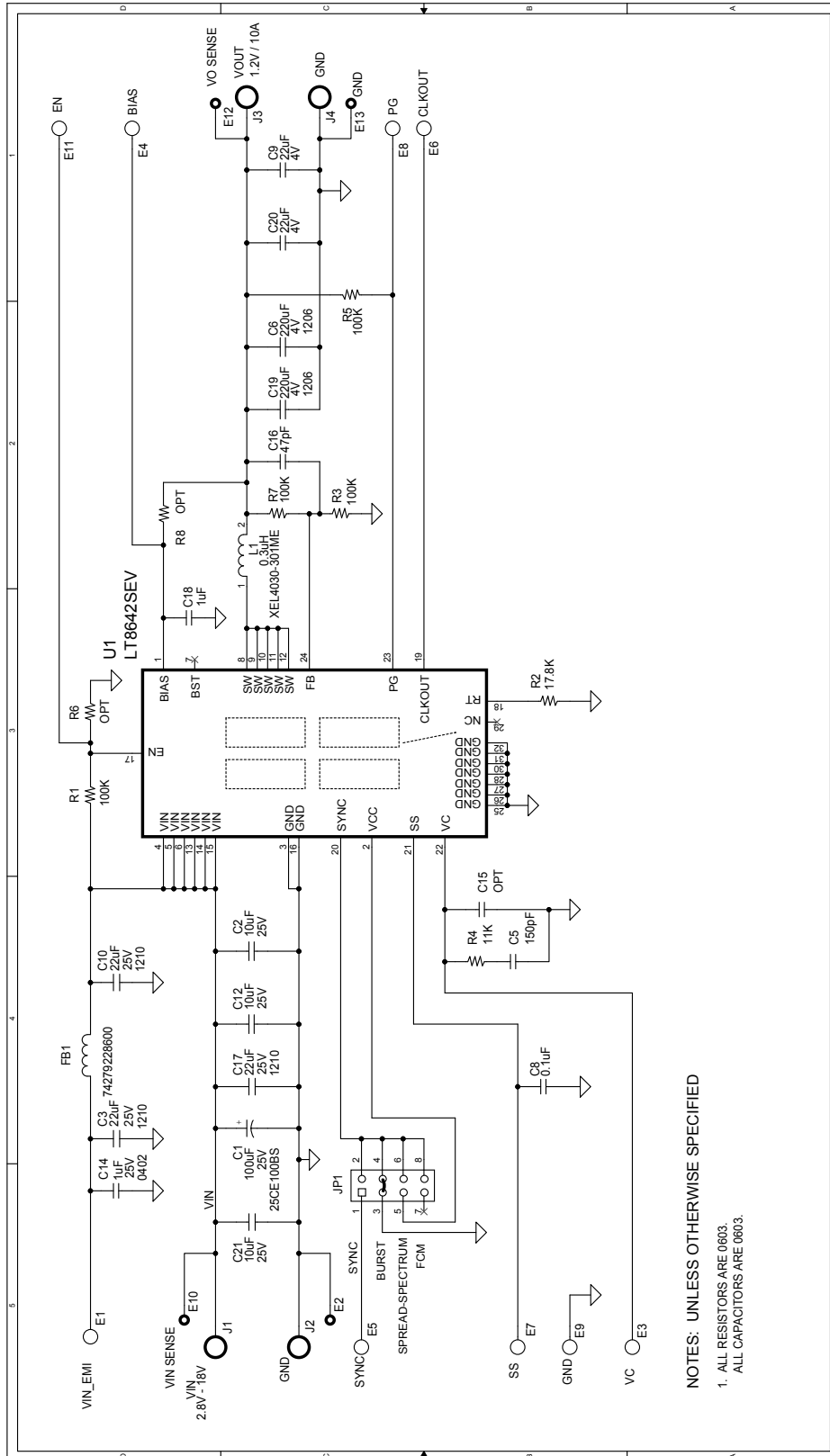
**Figure 6. LT8642S Demo Circuit DC2560A Output Voltage Ripple (12V Input, I<sub>OUT</sub> = 10A, Full BW)**

# DEMO MANUAL DC2560A

## PARTS LIST

ITEM	QTY	REFERENCE	PART DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER/PART NUMBER
<b>Required Circuit Components</b>				
1	2	C2, C12	CAP, X5R, 10µF, 25V, 20%, 0603	MURATA, GRM188R61E106MA73D
2	1	C5	CAP, C0G, 150pF, 50V, 5%, 0603	MURATA, GRM1885C1H151JA01D
3	2	C6, C19	CAP, X5R, 220µF, 4V, 20% 1206	MURATA, GRM31CR60G227ME11L
4	1	C8	CAP, X7R, 0.1µF, 16V, 10%, 0603	MURATA, GRM188R71C104KA01D
5	2	C9, C20	CAP, X5R, 22µF, 4V, 20%, 0603	MURATA, GRM186R60G226ME15D
6	1	C16	CAP, NPO, 47pF, 50V, 5%, 0603	MURATA, GRM1885C1H470JA01D
7	1	C17	CAP, X7R, 22µF, 25V, 10%, 1210	MURATA, GRM32ER71E226KE15L
8	1	L1	INDUCTOR, 0.3µH	COILCRAFT, XEL4030-301MEB
9	4	R1, R3, R5, R7	RES., CHIP, 100k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	VISHAY, CRCW0603100KFKEA
10	1	R2	RES., CHIP, 17.8k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	VISHAY, CRCW060317K8FKEA
11	1	R4	RES., CHIP, 11k, 1/10W, 1%, 0603	VISHAY, CRCW060311K0FKEA
12	1	U1	I.C., STEP-DOWN SWITCHER, 4mm x 4mm LQFN	ANALOG DEVICES., LT8642SEV#PBF
<b>Additional Demo Board Circuit Components</b>				
1	1	C1	CAP, ALUM 100µF, 25V	SUN ELECT., 25CE100BS
2	2	C3, C10	CAP, X7R, 22µF, 25V, 10%, 1210	MURATA, GRM32ER71E226KE15L
3	1	C14	CAP, X5R, 1µF, 25V, 10%, 0402	MURATA, GRM155R61E105KA12D
4	1	C21	CAP, X5R, 10µF, 25V, 20%, 0603	MURATA, GRM188R61E106MA73D
5	0	C15 (OPT)	CAP, OPTION, 0603	
6	1	C18	CAP, X7R, 1µF, 10V, 10%, 0603	MURATA, GRM188R71A105KA61D
7	1	FB1	BEAD, FERRITE, 60Ω, 0603	WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 74279228600
8	0	R6, R8 (OPT)	RES., OPTION, 0603	
<b>Hardware: For Demo Board Only</b>				
1	9	E1, E3-E9, E11	TESTPOINT, TURRET, 0.094"	MILL-MAX, 2501-2-00-80-00-00-07-0
2	4	E2, E10, E12, E13	TESTPOINT, TURRET, 0.064"	MILL-MAX, 2308-2-00-80-00-00-07-0
3	1	JP1	2X4, 0.079 DOUBLE ROW HEADER	WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 62000821121
4	1	XJP1	SHUNT, 0.079" CENTER	WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 60800213421
5	4	J1-J4	JACK BANANA	KEYSTONE, 575-4
6	4	MH1-MH4	STAND-OFF, NYLON 0.50" TALL	WURTH ELEKTRONIK, 702935000

**SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM**



**NOTES: UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED**  
 1. ALL RESISTORS ARE 0603.  
 ALL CAPACITORS ARE 0603.



## ESD Caution

**ESD (electrostatic discharge) sensitive device.** Charged devices and circuit boards can discharge without detection. Although this product features patented or proprietary protection circuitry, damage may occur on devices subjected to high energy ESD. Therefore, proper ESD precautions should be taken to avoid performance degradation or loss of functionality.

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