

LTM4620EV: High Efficiency, PolyPhase 100A Step-Down Power μModule® Regulator

DESCRIPTION

Demonstration circuit 1780A-C features poly phase design using the LTM[®]4620EV, the high efficiency, high density, dual 13A, switch mode step-down power module regulator. The input voltage is from 4.5V to 16V. The output voltage is jumper selectable from 1.0V to 2.5V. DC1780A-C can deliver nominal 100A output current with 4× LTM4620s in parallel. As explained in the data sheet, output current derating is necessary for certain V_{IN} , V_{OUT} , and thermal conditions. The LTM4620 on DC1780A-C always operates in continuous conduction mode. The switching frequency can be programmed through a resistor or can be synchronized to an external clock signal. The board allows the user to program how its output voltage ramps up and down through the TRACK_CONTROL pin. The output volt-

age is tightly regulated between V_{OUT}^+ and V_{OUT}^- through remote output voltage sensing which improves output voltage regulation at heavy loads. These features and the availability of the LTM4620EV in a compact 15mm × 15mm × 4.41mm LGA package make it ideal for use in many high density point-of-load regulation applications. The LTM4620 data sheet must be read in conjunction with this demo manual prior to working on or modifying the demo circuit DC1780A-C.

Design files for this circuit board are available at
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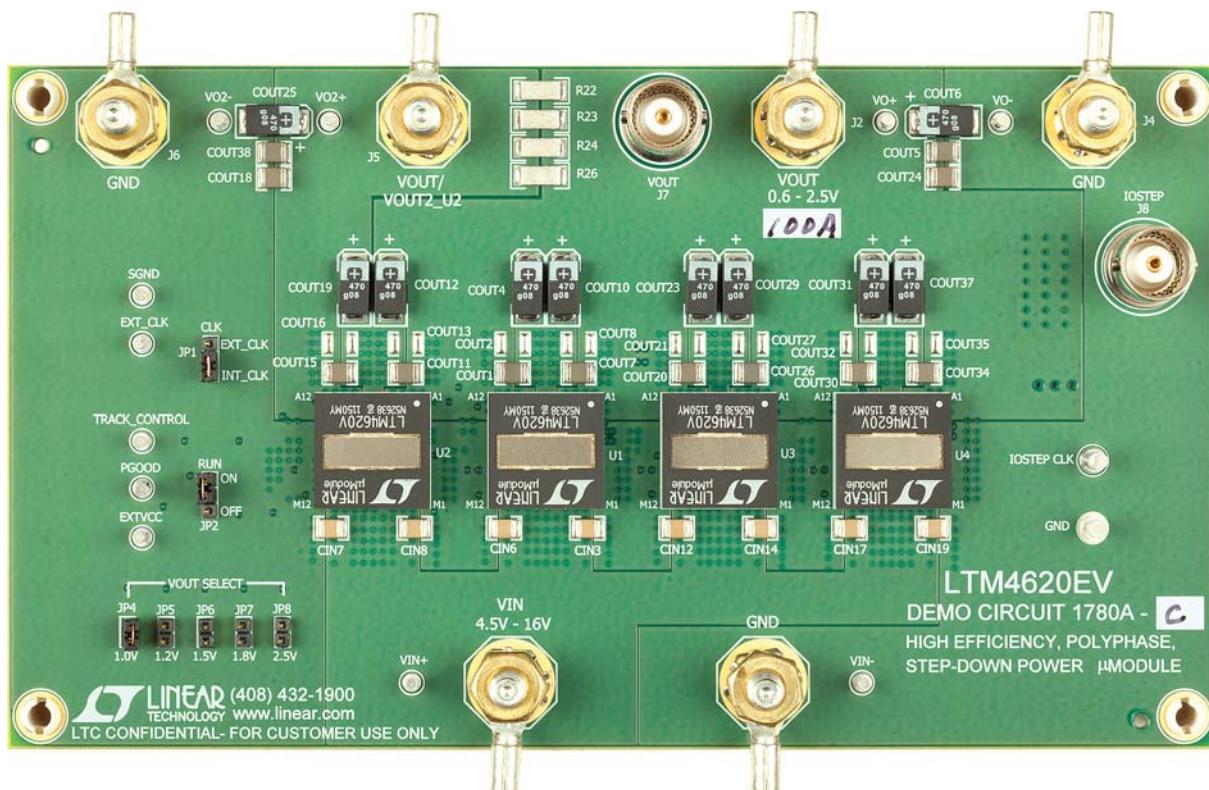


Figure 1. 100A PolyPhase LTM4620/DC1780A-C Demo Board

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PERFORMANCE SUMMARY

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

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS/NOTES	VALUE
Input Voltage Range		4.5V to 16V
Output Voltage V_{OUT}	$V_{\text{IN}} = 4.5\text{V to } 16\text{V}, I_{\text{OUT}} = 0\text{A to } 100\text{A}, \text{JP4: } 1.0\text{V}$	$1.0\text{V} \pm 1.5\% \text{ (0.985V to 1.015V)}$
Maximum Continuous Output Current	Derating is necessary for certain $V_{\text{IN}}, V_{\text{OUT}}$ and thermal conditions, see data sheet for detail.	100A
Default Operating Frequency		500kHz
Resistor Programmable Frequency Range		400kHz to 780kHz
External Clock Sync. Frequency Range		400kHz to 780kHz
Efficiency	$V_{\text{IN}} = 12\text{V}, V_{\text{OUT}} = 1.0\text{V}, I_{\text{OUT}} = 100\text{A}, f_{\text{SW}} = 500\text{kHz}$	80.5% See Figure 4
Load Transient	$V_{\text{IN}} = 12\text{V}, V_{\text{OUT}} = 1.0\text{V}, I_{\text{STEP}} = 50\text{A to } 100\text{A}$	<156mV, See Figure 5
Output Voltage Ripple	$V_{\text{IN}} = 12\text{V}, V_{\text{OUT}} = 1.0\text{V}, I_{\text{OUT}} = 100\text{A}, f_{\text{SW}} = 500\text{kHz}$	<10mV, See Figure 6

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Table 1. LTM4620 Demo Cards for up to 100A Point-of-Load Regulation

MAXIMUM OUTPUT CURRENT	NUMBER OF OUTPUT VOLTAGES	NUMBER OF LTM4620 µMODULE REGULATORS ON THE BOARD	DEMO CARD NUMBER
13A, 13A	2	1	DC1498A
50A	1	2	DC1780A-A
75A	1	3	DC1780A-B
100A	1	4	DC1780A-C

Demonstration circuit DC1780A-C is easy to set up to evaluate the performance of PolyPhase operation of the LTM4620EV. Due to the high input/output current, select a proper input supply/load/cable which can sustain the full load operation. Please refer to Figure 2 for proper measurement setup and follow the procedure below:

1. Place jumpers in the following positions for a typical 1.0V_{OUT} application:

JP1	JP2	JP4-JP8
CLK	RUN	V_{OUT} SELECT
INT_CLK	OFF	ON JP4/1.0V

2. With power off, connect the input power supply, load and meters as shown in Figure 2. Preset the load to 0A and V_{IN} supply to 12V.

3. Turn on the power supply at the input. Place JP2 to ON position. The output voltage between V_{OUT}^+ and V_{OUT}^- should be $1.0\text{V} \pm 1.5\% \text{ (0.985V to 1.015V)}$.
4. Once the proper output voltage is established, adjust the load within the operating range and observe the output voltage regulation, output voltage ripple, efficiency and other parameters. Output voltage ripple should be measured at J7 with BNC cables. 50Ω termination should be set on the oscilloscope or BNC cables.
5. (Optional) For optional load transient test, apply an adjustable pulse signal between IOSTEP CLK and GND test point. The pulse amplitude (3V to 3.5V) sets the load step current amplitude. The output transient current can be monitored at the BNC connector J8 (5mV/A). The pulse signal should be very small duty cycle (< 10%) to limit the thermal stress on the transient load circuit.

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6. (Optional) LTM4620 can be synchronized to an external clock signal. Place the JP1 jumper on EXT_CLK and apply a clock signal (0V to 5V, square wave) on the EXT_CLK test point.
7. (Optional) The outputs of LTM4620 can track another supply. The output voltage tracks the voltage on TRACK_CONTROL when a valid signal is applied on the test point.
8. (Optional) DC1780A-C can be configured to a dual outputs configuration with V_{OUT} at 87A load current and V_{OUT2} at 13A load current. Stuff 0Ω resistor on R61 and 0.1μF on C14. Remove R22, R23, R24, R26, R27, R28, R32, R33, R35. Output voltage V_{OUT2} is set by R37 based on the equation $V_{OUT2} = 0.6V (1 + 60.4k/R37)$.

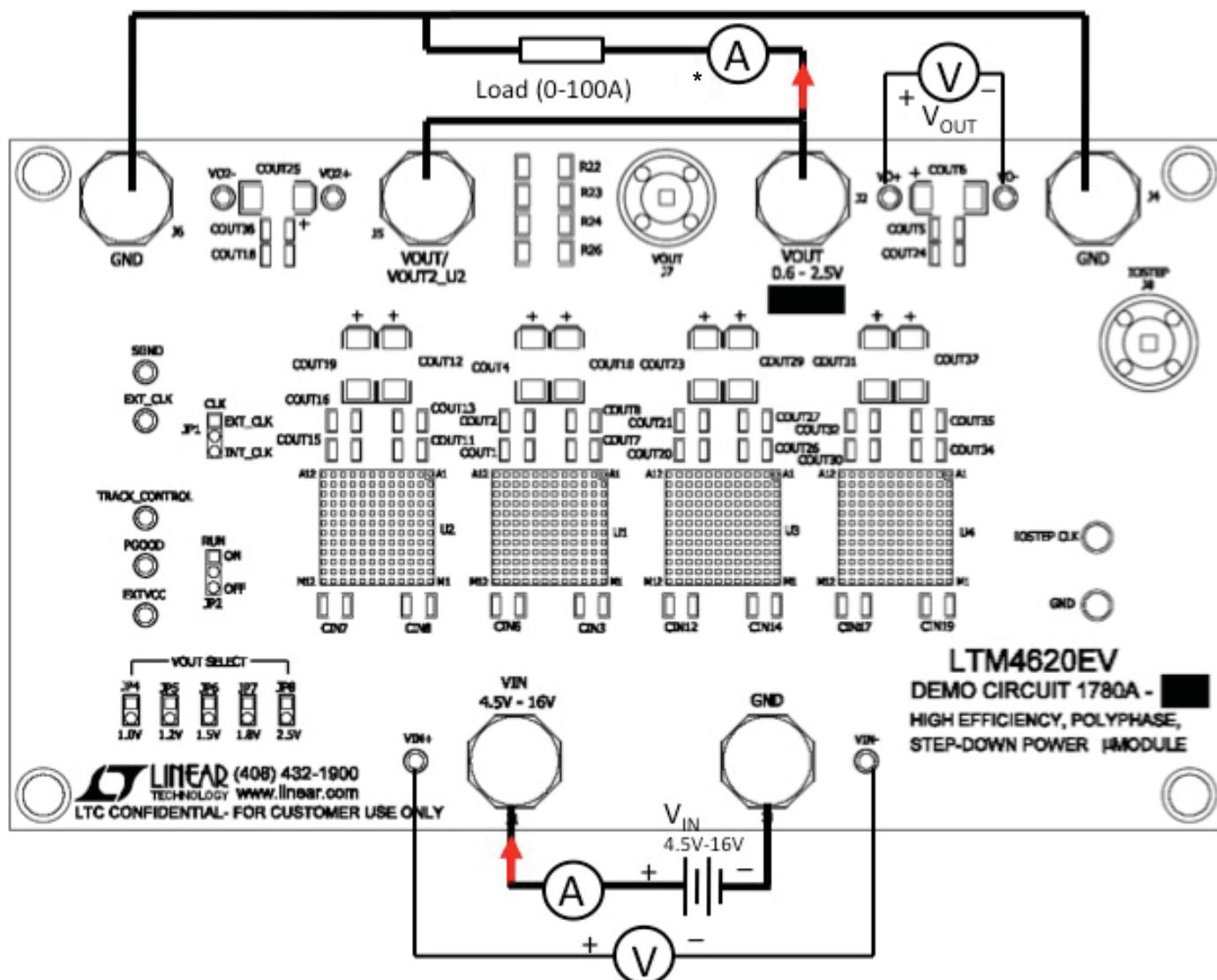


Figure 2. Test Setup of DC1780A-C

* Note: The output current is measured with a mV-voltage meter across a 1% accurate shunt resistor.

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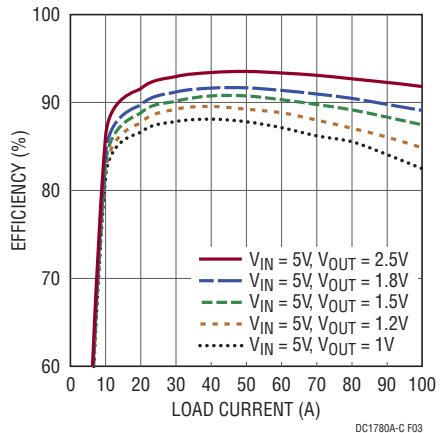


Figure 3. Measured Efficiency $V_{IN} = 5V$, $f_{SW} = 500\text{kHz}$

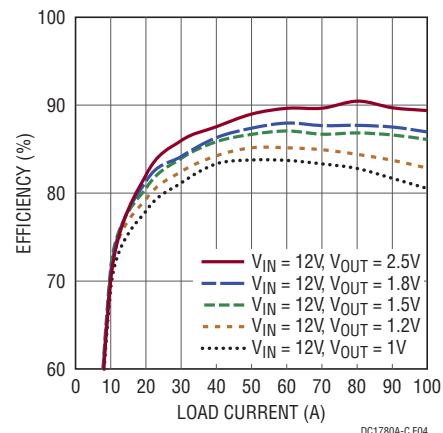


Figure 4. Measured Efficiency $V_{IN} = 12V$, $f_{SW} = 500\text{kHz}$

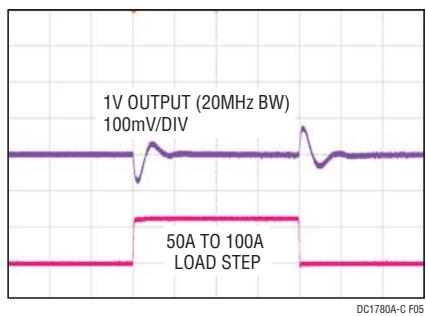


Figure 5. Load Transient 50A to 100A ($V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUTX} = 1V$)

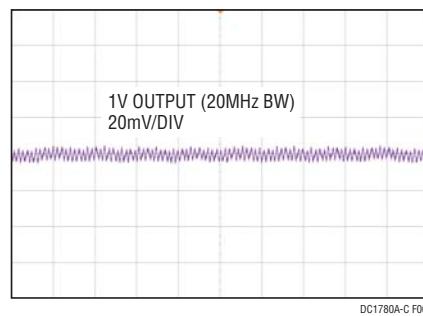


Figure 6. Measured Output Voltage Ripple at $12V_{IN}$, $1V_{OUT}$, 100A on J7 with Standard Demo Circuit Default Setup

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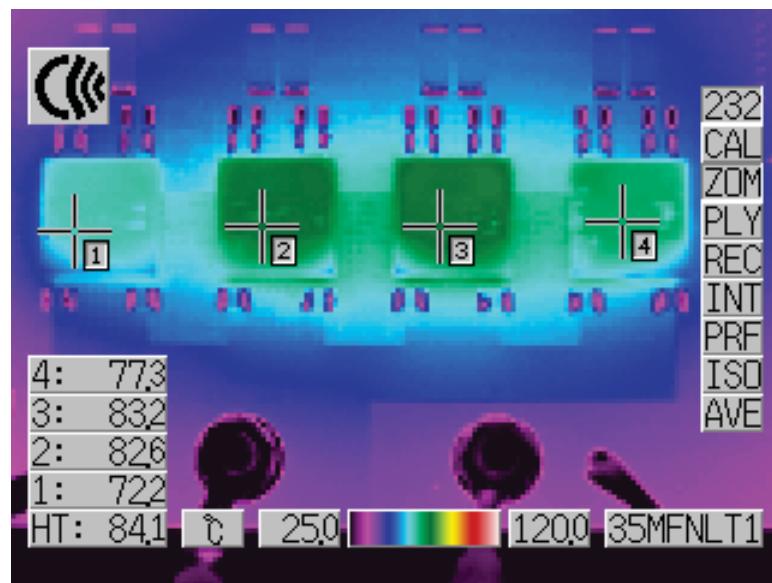


Figure 7. Thermal Capture at $12V_{IN}$, $1.0V_{OUT}$ at 100A (Ambient Temperature = $23.3^{\circ}C$, 200LFM Airflow and No Heat Sink)

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PARTS LIST

ITEM	QTY	REFERENCE	PART DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER/PART NUMBER
Required Circuit Components				
1	16	CIN3, CIN4, CIN5, CIN6, CIN7, CIN8, CIN9, CIN10, CIN12, CIN13, CIN14, CIN15, CIN16, CIN17, CIN18, CIN19	Cap., X5R 22µF 25V 10% 1210	Murata GRM32ER61226KE15
2	8	COUT1, COUT7, COUT11, COUT15, COUT20, COUT26, COUT30, COUT34	Cap., X5R 100µF 10V 20% 1210	Taiyo Yuden LMK325BJ107MN-T
3	8	COUT4, COUT10, COUT12, COUT19, COUT23, COUT29, COUT31, COUT37	Cap., POSCAP 470µF 4V 20% 7343	SANYO 4TPE470MCL
4	1	R14	Res., Chip 90.9k 0.06W 1% 0603	Vishay CRCW060390K9FKEA
5	4	R9, R31, R43, R51	Res., Chip 121k 0.06W 1% 0603	Vishay CRCW0603121KFKEA
6	2	R1, R3	Res., Chip 10Ω 0.06W 5% 0603	Vishay CRCW060310R0JNEA
7	4	C4, C10, C18, C22	Cap., X5R 2.2µF 10V 20% 0603	Taiyo Yuden LMK107BJ225MA
8	1	C7	Cap., X7R 0.1µF 25V 10% 0603	AVX 06033C104KAT2A
9	4	U1, U2, U3, U4	I.C., Voltage Regulator LGA(144) 15mm × 15mm × 4.41mm (1873-REV0)	Linear Technology Corp. LTM4620EV
Additional Demo Board Circuit Components				
10	4	COUT5, COUT18, COUT24, COUT38	Cap., X5R 100µF 10V 20% 1210	Taiyo Yuden LMK325BJ107MN-T
11	2	COUT6, COUT25,	Cap., POSCAP 470µF 4V 20% 7343	SANYO 4TPE470MCL
12	4	R2, R21, R39, R47	Res., Chip 121k 0.06W 1% 0603	Vishay CRCW0603121KFKEA
13	2	R25, R29	Res., Chip 10 0.06W 5% 0603	Vishay CRCW060310R0JNEA
14	1	C25	Cap., X7R 0.1µF 25V 10% 0603	AVX 06033C104KAT2A
15	1	CIN1	Cap., Alum 150µF 25V 25% SUNCON-8	SUNCON 25CE150AX
16	2	CIN2, CIN11	Cap., X5R 1µF 25V 10% 1210	Taiyo Yuden TMK325BJ105KM
17	0	COUT2, COUT3, COUT8, COUT9, COUT13, COUT14, COUT16, COUT17, COUT21, COUT22, COUT27, COUT28, COUT32, COUT33, COUT35, COUT36 (OPT)	Cap., 1210	
18	0	C1, C2, C3, C5, C8, C9, C12, C13, C14, C15, C16, C17, C20, C21, C26, C29, C30 (OPT)	Cap., 0603	
19	6	C6, C11, C19, C23, C27, C28	Cap., X7R 1µF 10V 10% 0603	Taiyo Yuden LMK107BJ105KA
20	1	C24	Cap., X7R 0.01µF 100V 10% 0603	AVX 06031C103KAT2A
21	2	Q1, Q2	Mosfet N-channel, 30V DPAK (TO-252)	Vishay Siliconix SUD50N03-09P
22	4	R4, R36, R41, R54	Res., Chip 10k 0.06W 5% 0603	Vishay CRCW060310K0JNEA
23	0	R5, R7, R8, R10, R13, R30, R37, R38, R42, R44, R48, R49, R50, R52, R53, R55, R61 (OPT)	Res., 0603	
24	14	R6, R19, R20, R27, R28, R32, R33, R34, R35, R40, R45, R46, R62, R63	Res/Jumper, Chip 0Ω1/16W 1A 0603	Vishay CRCW06030000Z0EA
25	1	R15	Res., Chip 60.4k 0.06W 1% 0603	Vishay CRCW060360K4FKEA
26	1	R16	Res., Chip 40.2k 0.06W 1% 0603	Vishay CRCW060340K2FKEA
27	1	R17	Res., Chip 30.1k 0.06W 1% 0603	Vishay CRCW060330K1FKEA
28	1	R18	Res., Chip 19.1k 0.06W 1% 0603	Vishay CRCW060319K1FKEA
29	4	R22, R23, R24, R26	Res., 0Ω 2010	TEPRO(NAKOMA) RHN6083
30	2	R56, R57	Res., 0.010 2W 1% 2512	Vishay WSL-2512-R01000-F-EA
31	0	R58, R59 (OPT)	Res., 2512	

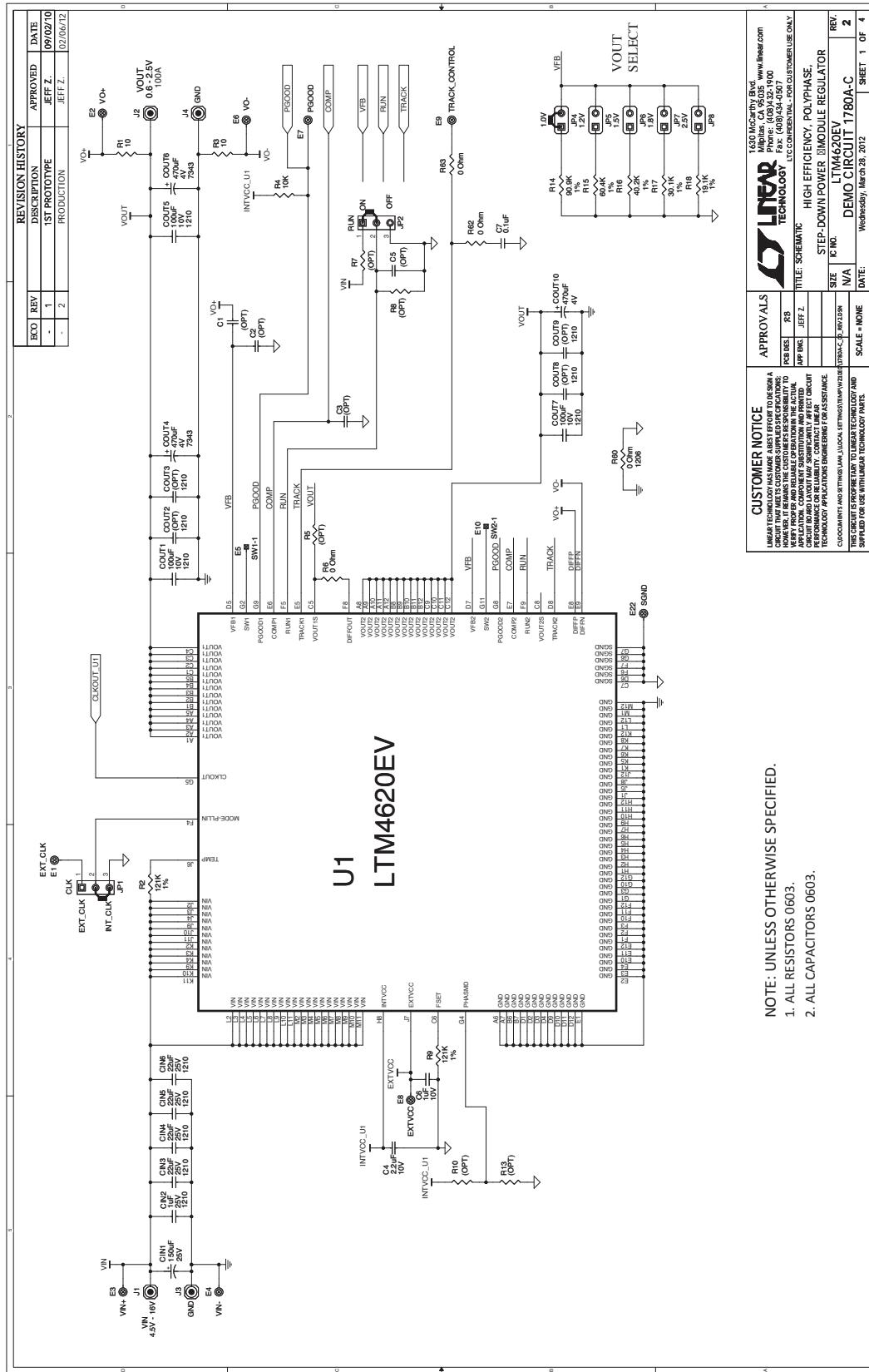
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32	1	R60	Res/Jumper, Chip 0Ω 1/4W 1A 1206	Vishay CRCW12060000ZOEA
Hardware for Demo Board Only				
33	3	XJP1, XJP2, XJP4	Shunt, 2mm Ctrs.	Samtec 2SN-BK-G
34	4	MH1–MH4	STAND-OFF, NYLON 0.5" Tall	KEYSTONE, 8833 (SNAP ON)
35	11	E1, E2, E3, E4, E6, E7, E8, E9, E12, E13, E22	Turret, Testpoint	Mill Max 2308-2-00-80-00-00-07-0
36	0	E5, E10, E11, E14, E15, E16, E17, E18 (OPT)	Testpoint	
37	2	E19, E20	Turret, Testpoint	Mill Max 2501-2-00-80-00-00-07-0
38	2	JP1, JP2	Headers, 3 Pins 2mm Ctrs.	Samtec TMM-103-02-L-S
39	5	JP4, JP5, JP6, JP7, JP8	Jumper, 2 Pins 2mm Ctrs.	Samtec TMM-102-02-L-S
40	6	J1, J2, J3, J4, J5, J6	Stud, Test Pin	PEM KFH-032-10
41	12		NUT, BRASS NUTS #10-32	ANY, #10-32
42	6		RING, LUG RING #10	KEYSTONE, 8205
43	6		WASHER, #10, Tin Plated Brass	ANY, #10 EXT BZ TN
44	2	J7, J8	BNC Connector	Connex 112404

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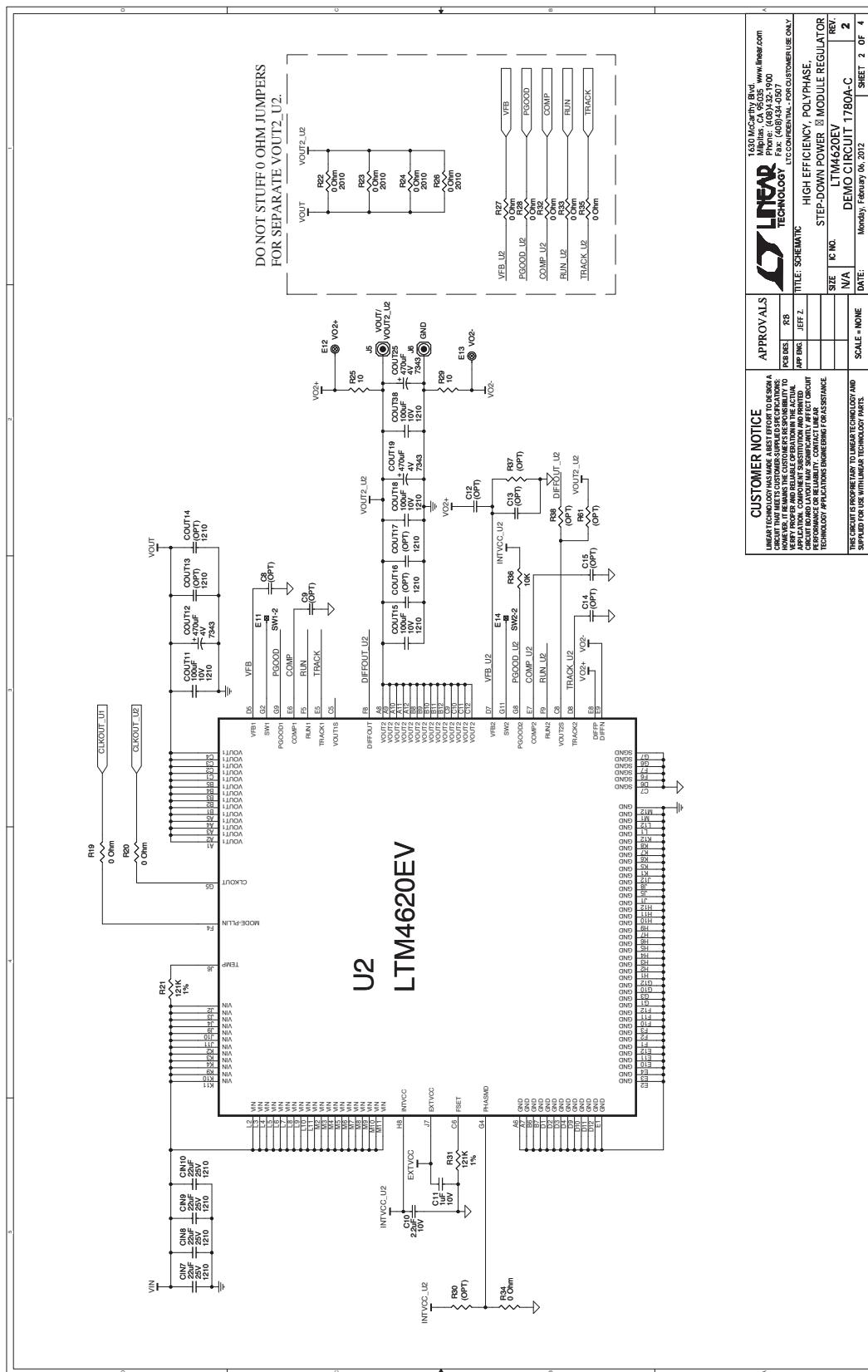


NOTE: UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED.

1. ALL RESISTORS 0603.
2. ALL CAPACITORS 0603.

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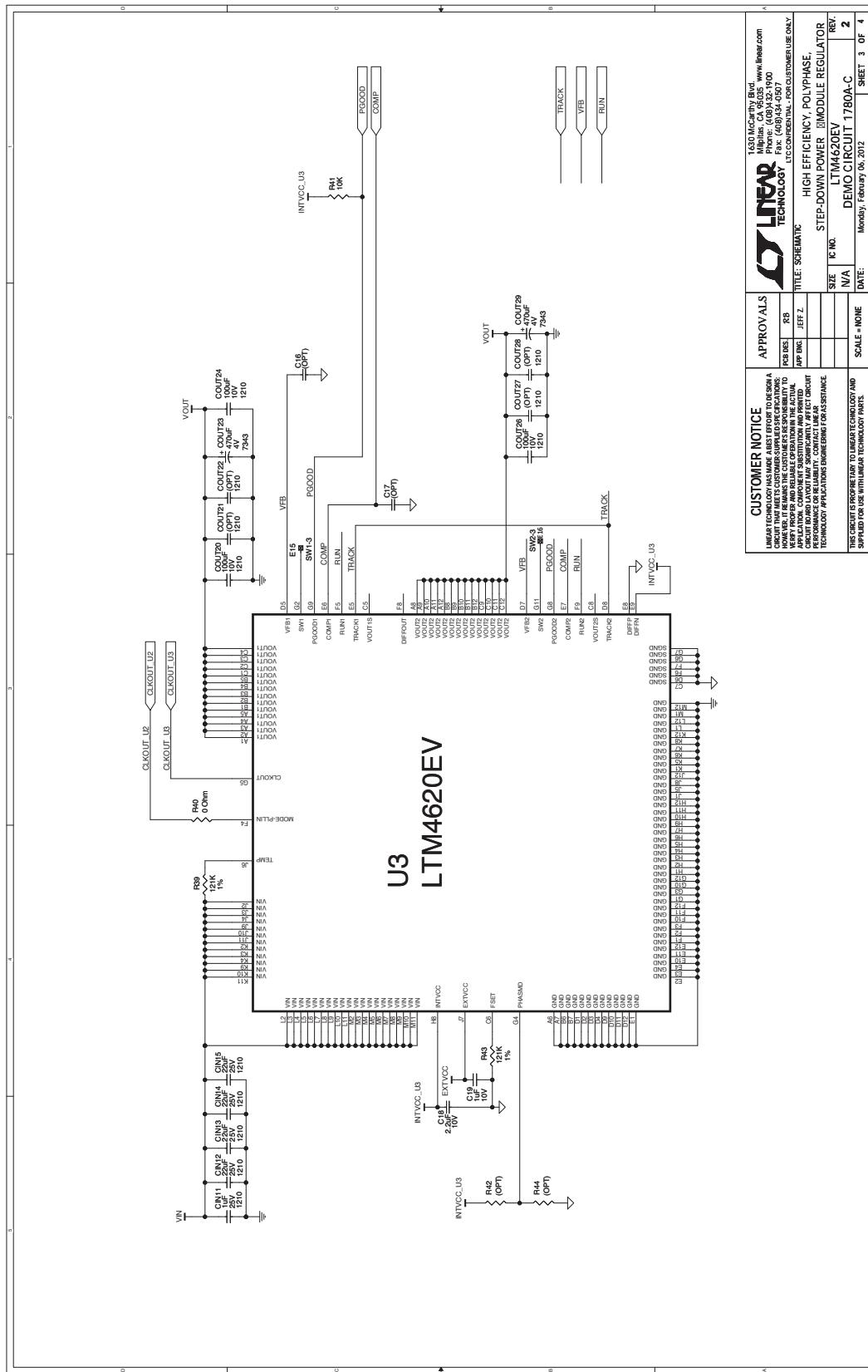
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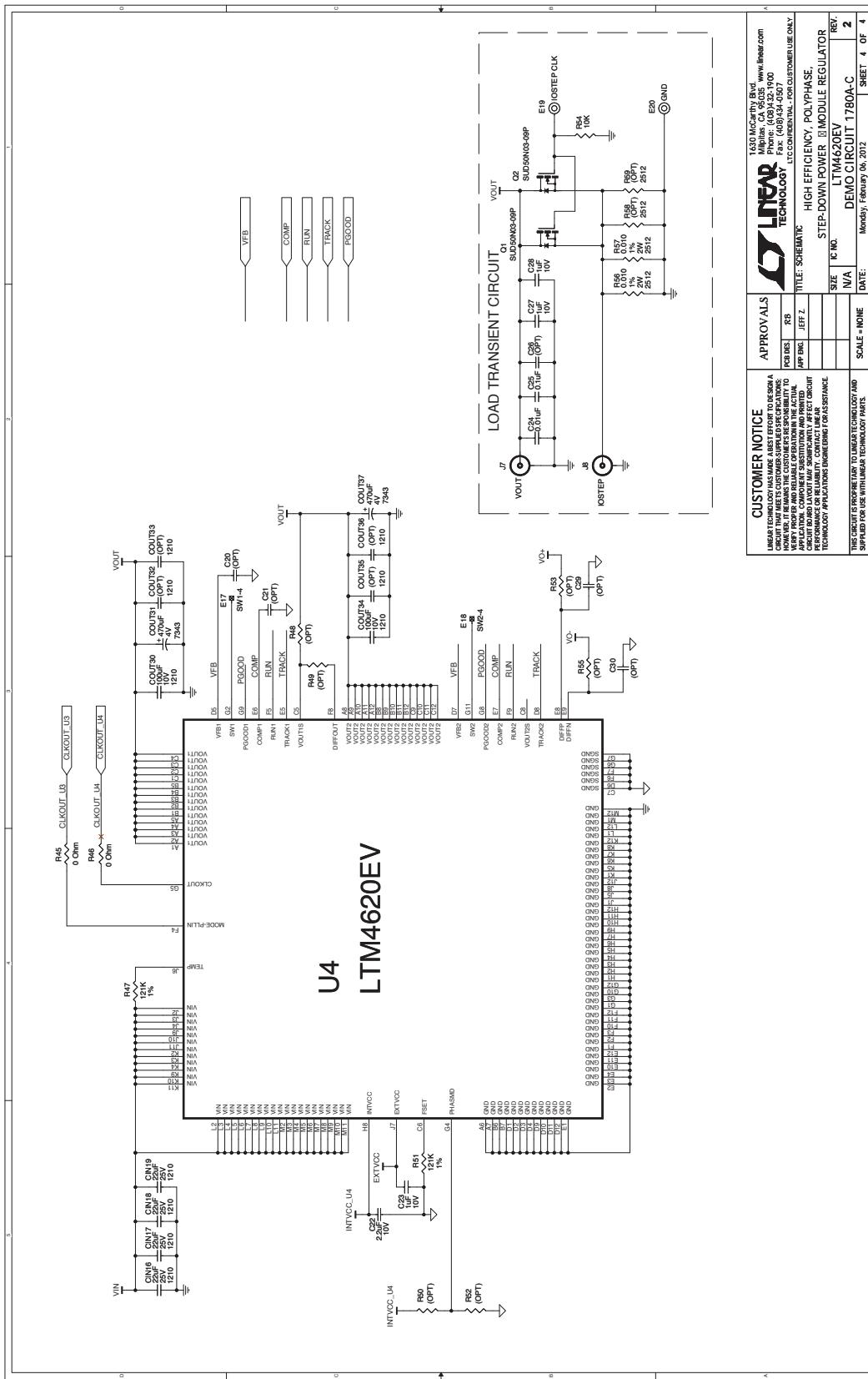
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