The Texas Instruments LMR33630ARNXEVEM and LMR33630CRNXEVEM evaluation modules help designers to evaluate the operation and performance of the LMR33630A and LMR33630C buck regulators. The LMR33630 is a family of easy-to-use synchronous step-down DC-DC converters capable of driving up to 3 A of load current from an input voltage of 3.8 V to 36 V. The LMR33630xRNXEVMs feature a selectable output voltage of 3.3 V or 5 V and a switching frequency of either 400 kHz or 2.1 MHz. See the LMR33630 data sheet for additional features, detailed description, and available options. The EVM options are found in Table 1.

Table 1. Device and Package Configurations

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1 **Setup**

This section describes the test points and connectors on the EVM and how to properly connect, set up and use the LMR33630xEVM. Either the banana jacks and test points on the top of the board can be used for connections, or the card edge connector can be used. See Figure 1 for the top of board connections, and Figure 2 and Figure 3 for the card edge connections. The following lists the functions of the connections:

- **VIN** - Input supply to EVM. Connect to a suitable input supply. See the LMR33630 data sheet for input supply requirements.
- **GND** - System ground
- **VOUT** - Output of EVM. Connect to desired load.
- **VOS** - Output voltage sense connection.
- **VIS** - Input voltage sense connection.
- **GNDS** - Ground sense point for analog measurements.

![Figure 1. EVM Board Connections](image)
Figure 2. EVM Card Edge Connections
1.1 Jumper

See Figure 4 for jumper locations.

- **EN** - This jumper allows the EN input to be connected to either ground (OFF) or VIN (ON). Remove this jumper to allow an external logic signal to control the EN function.

- **VOUT** - This jumper is used to select one of the two pre-defined output voltages. The “3.3V” position provides a 3.3-V output; while the “5V” position provides a 5-V output.
1.2 Test Points

- **VIN** - Input supply to EVM. Connect to a suitable input supply. See the LMR33630 data sheet for input supply requirements.
- **GND** - System power ground
- **VOUT** - Power output of EVM. Connect to desired load.
- **VOS** - Output voltage sense connection; connect to DMM. Also, used for frequency response analyzer connection.
- **VIS** - Input voltage sense connection; connect to DMM.
- **GNDS** - Ground sense point for analog measurements; connect to DMM.
- **VCC** - Test point to measure internal VCC of device; approximately 5 V. On-board PGOOD pullup resistor is connected to VCC.
- **EN** - Connection for external EN logic input. Remove EN jumper and connect controlling logic to EN test point for external enable control.
- **PGOOD** - Power good flag output. This test point is connected to VCC through a 20-kΩ resistor. The power-good function can be monitored at this test point.
- **A** - Connection for frequency response analyzer (on bottom of board) - see Figure 5.
2 Operation

Once the above connections are made and the appropriate jumpers are set, the EVM is ready for use. If external control of the EN input is desired, remove the EN jumper, and apply the external signal to the EN test point and GND. The PGOOD output is pulled up to VCC through a 20-kΩ resistor. In this way the PGOOD signal swings from 0 V to about 5 V to indicate when the output voltage is either outside or inside of the PGOOD window, respectively. If an external pullup and supply is desired for the PGOOD function, remove the 20-kΩ resistor, and pull the PGOOD test point up to the desired voltage through an appropriate resistance. See the LMR33630 data sheet for more details.

The output voltage of the EVM can be selected, by the VOUT jumper, to either 3.3 V or 5 V. Other values of output voltage can be programmed by changing the value of R_{FB} on the EVM. In addition the values of the inductor and the output capacitance may also need to be changed. See the LMR33630 data sheet for more information.

The EVM has been designed for maximum flexibility regarding component selection. This allows the user to place preferred components, such as the inductor and/or capacitors, on the board and test the performance of the regulator. In this way the power supply system can be tested before committing the design to production.

The EVM also has locations for the components of an EMI filter. Note that these components are not included with the EVM. Suggested component values are found in Table 2. To use the EMI filter, the input voltage to the EVM should be routed as shown in Figure 3. Note that if a common-mode choke is used, then the input and output grounds are not at the same potential.
3 Performance Curves

![Graph 1](image1)

**Figure 6. Efficiency: \( V_{\text{IN}} = 12 \, \text{V}, f_{\text{SW}} = 2.1 \, \text{MHz} \)**

![Graph 2](image2)

**Figure 7. Efficiency: \( V_{\text{IN}} = 12 \, \text{V}, f_{\text{SW}} = 400 \, \text{kHz} \)**
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3 **Regulatory Notices**:

3.1 **United States**

   3.1.1 Notice applicable to EVMs not FCC-Approved:

   **FCC NOTICE**: This kit is designed to allow product developers to evaluate electronic components, circuitry, or software associated with the kit to determine whether to incorporate such items in a finished product and software developers to write software applications for use with the end product. This kit is not a finished product and when assembled may not be resold or otherwise marketed unless all required FCC equipment authorizations are first obtained. Operation is subject to the condition that this product not cause harmful interference to licensed radio stations and that this product accept harmful interference. Unless the assembled kit is designed to operate under part 15, part 18 or part 95 of this chapter, the operator of the kit must operate under the authority of an FCC license holder or must secure an experimental authorization under part 5 of this chapter.

   **CAUTION**

   This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

   Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

   **FCC Interference Statement for Class A EVM devices**

   **NOTE**: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class A digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference when the equipment is operated in a commercial environment. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instruction manual, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. Operation of this equipment in a residential area is likely to cause harmful interference in which case the user will be required to correct the interference at his own expense.
FCC Interference Statement for Class B EVM devices

NOTE: This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

3.2 Canada

3.2.1 For EVMs issued with an Industry Canada Certificate of Conformance to RSS-210 or RSS-247

Concerning EVMs Including Radio Transmitters:

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSSs. Operation is subject to the following two conditions:

1. the device may not cause interference, and
2. the device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

Concernant les EVMs avec appareils radio:

Le présent appareil est conforme aux CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes: (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

Concerning EVMs Including Detachable Antennas:

Under Industry Canada regulations, this radio transmitter may only operate using an antenna of a type and maximum (or lesser) gain approved for the transmitter by Industry Canada. To reduce potential radio interference to other users, the antenna type and its gain should be so chosen that the equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) is not more than that necessary for successful communication. This radio transmitter has been approved by Industry Canada to operate with the antenna types listed in the user guide with the maximum permissible gain and required antenna impedance for each antenna type indicated. Antenna types not included in this list, having a gain greater than the maximum gain indicated for that type, are strictly prohibited for use with this device.

Concernant les EVMs avec antennes détachables

Conformément à la réglementation d'Industrie Canada, le présent émetteur radio peut fonctionner avec une antenne d'un type et d'un gain maximal (ou inférieur) approuvé pour l'émetteur par Industrie Canada. Dans le but de réduire les risques de brouillage radioélectrique à l'intention des autres utilisateurs, il faut choisir le type d'antenne et son gain de sorte que la puissance isotrope rayonnée équivalente (p.i.r.e.) ne dépasse pas l'intensité nécessaire à l'établissement d'une communication satisfaisante. Le présent émetteur radio a été approuvé par Industrie Canada pour fonctionner avec les types d'antenne énumérés dans le manuel d'usage et ayant un gain admissible maximal et l'impédance requise pour chaque type d'antenne. Les types d'antenne non inclus dans cette liste, ou dont le gain est supérieur au gain maximal indiqué, sont strictement interdits pour l'exploitation de l'émetteur.

3.3 Japan

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