

# LM5036 Half-Bridge PWM Controller with Integrated Auxiliary Bias Supply

## 1 Features

- High integration controller for small form factor, high-density DC-DC power converters
- Integrated 100-V, 100-mA auxiliary bias supply
- Fully regulated pre-biased start-up
- Enhanced cycle-by-cycle current limiting with pulse matching for low and high primary FETs
- Optimized maximum duty cycle for primary-side FETs
- Voltage-mode control with input voltage feed-forward
- 100-V high-voltage start-up regulator
- Configurable latch, OVP operation
- Integrated 100-V, 2-A MOSFET drivers for primary-side FETs
- Programmable dead-time between primary-side and synchronous rectifier (SR) FETs
- Create a custom design using the LM5036 with the [Excel Calculator Tool](#) or [WEBENCH® Power Designer](#)

## 2 Applications

- Telecom and data communication isolated power supplies
- Industrial power supplies and factory automation
- Test, measurement equipment

## 3 Description

The LM5036 PWM controller, with integrated auxiliary bias supply, offers high power density for industrial

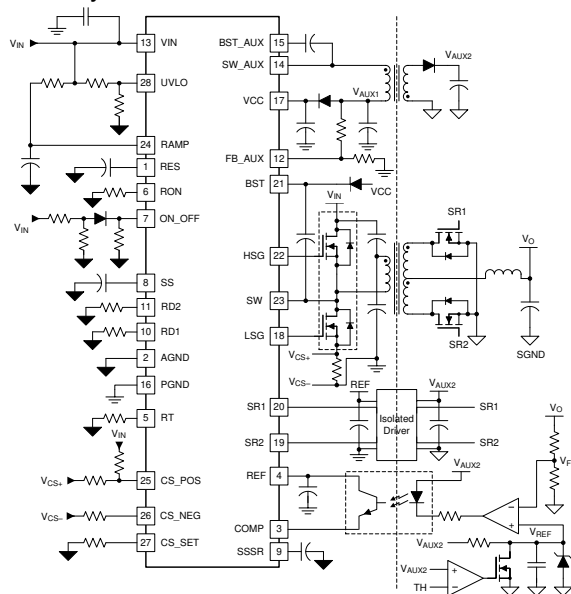
isolated power applications. It contains all the features necessary to implement half-bridge power converters, using voltage-mode control, with input voltage feed-forward. This controller is intended to operate on the primary side of an isolated converter with DC input voltage up to 100 V. The controller includes features that improve power density and reliability while reducing system cost:

- An integrated fly-buck converter as auxiliary bias supply. Provides bias power for both primary and secondary circuits, with a minimum of external components.
- Fully regulated pre-bias start-up. Eliminates output voltage over-shoot or dips even when starting into a pre-charged output capacitor.
- Enhanced cycle-by-cycle peak current limit with pulse matching. The controller limits both positive and negative current. Pulse matching ensures equal pulse width for low and high side devices, to avoid transformer saturation. Output current limit is approximately constant across the full range of input voltage.

### Device Information

PART NUMBER	PACKAGE <sup>(1)</sup>	BODY SIZE (NOM)
LM5036	WQFN (28)	5.00 mm × 5.00 mm

(1) For all available packages, see the orderable addendum at the end of the data sheet.



Simplified Application



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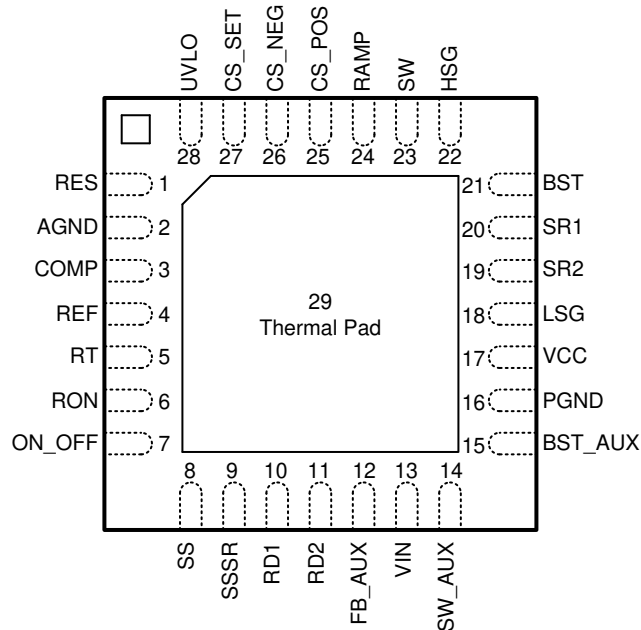
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## 5 Pin Configuration and Functions



**Figure 5-1. RJB Package, 28-Pin WQFN (Top View)**

**Table 5-1. Pin Functions**

PIN		TYPE <sup>(1)</sup>	DESCRIPTION
NAME	NO.		
AGND	2	G	Analog ground
BST	21	I	Half-bridge high-side gate drive bootstrap
BST_AUX	15	I	Auxiliary supply high-side gate drive bootstrap
COMP	3	I	Control current input to half-bridge PWM comparator
CS_NEG	26	I	Current sense amplifier negative input terminal
CS_POS	25	I	Current sense amplifier positive input terminal
CS_SET	27	I	Current limit setting
FB_AUX	12	I	Auxiliary supply output voltage feedback
HSG	22	O	Half-bridge high-side MOSFET output driver
LSG	18	O	Half-bridge low-side MOSFET output driver
ON_OFF	7	I	Configurable for over voltage protection (OVP) or latch mode
PGND	16	G	Power ground
RAMP	24	I	RAMP signal input to half-bridge PWM comparator
RD1	10	I	Synchronous rectifier trailing-edge delay
RD2	11	I	Synchronous rectifier leading-edge delay
REF	4	O	5-V reference regulator output
RES	1	I	Hiccup mode restart timer
RON	6	I	Auxiliary supply on-time control
RT/SYNC	5	I	Oscillator frequency control or external clock synchronization
SR1	20	O	Synchronous rectifier PWM control output
SR2	19	O	Synchronous rectifier PWM control output
SS	8	I	Soft-start input
SSSR	9	I	Synchronous rectifier soft-start input
SW	23	I	Half-bridge switch node

**Table 5-1. Pin Functions (continued)**

PIN		TYPE <sup>(1)</sup>	DESCRIPTION
NAME	NO.		
SW_AUX	14	I	Auxiliary supply switch node
UVLO	28	I	Input undervoltage lockout
VCC	17	I	Bias supply
VIN	13	I	Input voltage
Pad	29	G	Exposed thermal pad

(1) I = Input, O = Output, I/O = Input or Output, G = Ground, P = Power.

## 6 Specifications

### 6.1 Absolute Maximum Ratings

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)<sup>(1)</sup>

	MIN	MAX	UNIT
VIN to GND	-0.3	105	V
SW/SW_AUX to GND	-5	105	V
BST TO SW, BST_AUX TO SW_AUX	-0.3	16	V
HSG to SW	-0.3	16	V
LSG to GND	-0.3	16	V
SR1/SR2 to GND	-0.3	5	V
VCC to GND	-0.3	16	V
RT, UVLO, ON/OFF, RON, RAMP, RES, FB_AUX, CS_POS, CS_NEG, CS_SET to GND	-0.3	5	V
COMP to GND		-0.3	V
COMP Input Current		10	mA
Junction Temperature		150	°C
Storage Temperature, Tstg	-55	150	°C

- (1) Stresses beyond those listed under Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, which do not imply functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under Recommended Operating Conditions. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

### 6.2 ESD Ratings

			VALUE	UNIT
V <sub>(ESD)</sub>	Electrostatic discharge	Human body model (HBM), per ANSI/ESDA/JEDEC JS-001, all pins <sup>(1)</sup>	±2000	V
		Charged device model (CDM), per JEDEC specification JESD22-C101, all pins <sup>(2)</sup>	±750	

- (1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.  
(2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

### 6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

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

		MIN	NOM	MAX	UNIT
V <sub>IN</sub>	Input voltage	16		100	V
External V <sub>CC</sub>	Supply Voltage	8.5		14	V
RD <sub>x</sub>	RD <sub>1</sub> , RD <sub>2</sub> Resistor value	5			kΩ
T <sub>J</sub>	Junction Temperature	-40		125	°C

## 6.4 Thermal Information

THERMAL METRIC <sup>(1)</sup>		LM5036	UNIT
		RJB (WQFN)	
		28 PINS	
R <sub>ΘJA</sub>	Junction-to-ambient thermal resistance	29.9	°C/W
R <sub>ΘJC(top)</sub>	Junction-to-case (top) thermal resistance	18.2	°C/W
R <sub>ΘJB</sub>	Junction-to-board thermal resistance	10.4	°C/W
Ψ <sub>JT</sub>	Junction-to-top characterization parameter	0.2	°C/W
Ψ <sub>JB</sub>	Junction-to-board characterization parameter	10.3	°C/W
R <sub>ΘJC(bot)</sub>	Junction-to-case (bottom) thermal resistance	1	°C/W

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the [Semiconductor and IC Package Thermal Metrics application report](#).

## 6.5 Electrical Characteristics

MIN and MAX limits apply the junction temperature range of  $-40^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_J \leq 125^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Unless otherwise specified, the following conditions apply:  $V_{IN} = 48\text{ V}$ ,  $R_T = 25\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $RD_1 = RD_2 = 20\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_{ON} = 100\text{ k}\Omega$ . No load on LSG, HSG, SR1, SR2, UVLO = 2.5 V, ON\_OFF = 0 V.

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
<b>START-UP REGULATOR</b>						
V <sub>CC</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> voltage	I <sub>CC</sub> = 10 mA	7.5	7.8	8.1	V
I <sub>CC(Lim)</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> current limit	V <sub>CC</sub> = 6 V, V <sub>IN</sub> = 20 V	69	81	94	mA
I <sub>CC(ext)</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> supply current	Supply current into V <sub>CC</sub> from an externally applied source. V <sub>CC</sub> = 9 V, FB_AUX = 0 V	6.6	9	11	mA
V <sub>CC(reg)</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> load regulation	I <sub>CC</sub> from 0 to 50 mA	31	49	73	mV
V <sub>CC(UV)</sub>	V <sub>CC</sub> undervoltage threshold	Positive going V <sub>CC</sub>	7.4	7.7	8.0	V
		Negative going V <sub>CC</sub>	6.1	6.3	6.7	V
	V <sub>IN</sub> shutdown current	V <sub>IN</sub> = 20 V, V <sub>UVLO</sub> = 0 V, R <sub>ON</sub> = 100 kΩ	276	580	670	μA
		V <sub>IN</sub> = 100 V, V <sub>UVLO</sub> = 0 V, R <sub>ON</sub> = 100 kΩ	299	600	717	μA
	V <sub>IN</sub> start-up regulator leakage	V <sub>CC</sub> = 9 V, applied externally, FB_AUX > 2 V, SS = 0 V, R <sub>ON</sub> = 100 kΩ	180	234	304	μA
<b>VOLTAGE REFERENCE REGULATOR (REF PIN)</b>						
V <sub>REF</sub>	REF voltage	I <sub>REF</sub> = 0 mA	4.85	5	5.15	V
V <sub>REF(REG)</sub>	REF load regulation	I <sub>REF</sub> = 0 to 25 mA	24	37	57	mV
I <sub>REF(LIM)</sub>	REF current limit	V <sub>REF</sub> = 4.5 V, V <sub>IN</sub> = 20 V	28	39	47	mA
V <sub>REF(UV)</sub>	REF undervoltage threshold	Positive going V <sub>REF</sub>	4.3	4.5	4.7	V
		Hysteresis	0.16	0.26	0.37	V
<b>UNDERVOLTAGE LOCK OUT AND SHUTDOWN (UVLO PIN)</b>						
V <sub>UVLO</sub>	UVLO threshold		1.205	1.25	1.305	V
I <sub>UVLO</sub>	UVLO Hysteresis current		15	20	24	μA
V <sub>SD</sub>	Internal startup regulator enable threshold	SS = 0 V, FB_AUX = 2.5 V	0.34	0.38	0.41	V
		Hysteresis	90	135	175	mV
<b>OVER-VOLTAGE/LATCH (ON_OFF PIN)</b>						
V <sub>ON_OFF</sub>	ON_OFF threshold		1.18	1.25	1.32	V
I <sub>OVL</sub>	ON_OFF hysteresis current		40	50	60	μA
<b>SOFT-START (SS PIN, SSSR PIN)</b>						
I <sub>SS</sub>	SS charge current	SS = 0 V	17	20	24	μA

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PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
$V_{\text{SSSecEn}}$	SS threshold to enable SSSR charge current	$I_{\text{COMP}} < 800\ \mu\text{A}$	1.93	2.06	2.2	V
	SS output low voltage	Sinking 100 $\mu\text{A}$	30	48	57	mV
	SS threshold to disable switching		865	1000	1198	mV
$I_{\text{SSSR}}$	SSSR charge current	$\text{SS} > 2\text{ V}$ , $I_{\text{COMP}} < 800\ \mu\text{A}$	17	20	24	$\mu\text{A}$
	SSSR output low voltage	Sinking 100 $\mu\text{A}$	30	38.7	49	mV
$V_{\text{SSREn}}$	SSSR threshold to enable SR freewheeling pulse		0.65	1.17	1.67	V
<b>CURRENT SENSE (CS_POS, CS_NEG, and CS_SET PIN)</b>						
$V_{\text{LIM}}$	Current limit setting voltage		0.72	0.75	0.77	V
	Ratio of internal negative to positive current limit threshold		0.3	0.58	0.9	
$t_{\text{CSLSG}}$	CS to gate driver output delay		60	85	122	ns
$t_{\text{CSBLK}}$	CS leading-edge blanking		33	53	76	ns
$K_{\text{CBC1}}$ <sup>(1)</sup>	$V_{\text{LIM}} \times (K_{2a} \times K_{10b} - K_{10a})$	At CBC trip threshold	7.28	7.51	7.81	V
$V_{\text{CSOffset}}$ <sup>(1)</sup>	$V_{\text{CS\_POS}} - V_{\text{CS\_NEG}}$	At CBC trip threshold	-0.63	-0.02	0.32	mV
$I_{\text{BiasOffset}}$ <sup>(1)</sup>	$I_{\text{BiasPOS}} - I_{\text{BiasNEG}}$	At CBC trip threshold	-0.67	0.02	0.29	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{\text{SLOPE}}$	Peak value of current source for slope compensation			36		$\mu\text{A}$
<b>REVERSE CURRENT PROTECTION</b>						
N	Number of switching periods to reset negative over-current event counter			4		
SR_CTR_TH	SSSR threshold to reset SSSR cap clamp event counter		4.8	4.94	5.1	V
<b>HICCUP MODE (RES PIN)</b>						
$R_{\text{RES}}$	RES pulldown resistance	Termination of hiccup timer	24	36	55	$\Omega$
$V_{\text{RESTh1}}$	RES hiccup threshold		0.90	1	1.04	V
$V_{\text{RESTh3}}$	RES upper counter threshold		3.91	4	4.07	V
$V_{\text{RESTh2}}$	RES lower counter threshold		1.95	2	2.04	V
$I_{\text{RES-SRC1}}$	Charge current source1	$V_{\text{RES}} < 1\text{ V}$ , CBC active	12	15	18	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{\text{RES-SRC2}}$	Charge current source2	$1\text{ V} < V_{\text{RES}} < 4\text{ V}$	25	30	36	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{\text{RES-DIS1}}$	Discharge current source1	CBC not active	3.2	5	5.5	$\mu\text{A}$
$I_{\text{RES-DIS2}}$	Discharge current source2	$2\text{ V} < V_{\text{RES}} < 4\text{ V}$	2.5	5	7.5	$\mu\text{A}$
<b>HICCUP MODE BLANKING</b>						
$V_{\text{HC\_BLK\_TH}}$	SSSR threshold to disable the hiccup blanking		5.26	5.5	5.66	V
<b>VOLTAGE FEED-FORWARD (RAMP PIN)</b>						
	RAMP sink impednace (clocked)		3.9	6.0	9.1	$\Omega$
<b>OSCILLATOR (RT PIN)</b>						
$f_{\text{SW1}}$	Frequency (half oscillator frequency)	$R_T = 25\text{ k}\Omega$	185	200	215	kHz
$f_{\text{SW2}}$	Frequency (half oscillator frequency)	$R_T = 10\text{ k}\Omega$	420	480	540	kHz
$V_{\text{RTReg}}$	DC level		1.85	2	2.06	V
$V_{\text{RTSync}}$	RT sync threshold		2.8	3	3.3	V
<b>SYNCHRONOUS RECTIFIER TIMING CONTROL (RD1 and RD2 PINS)</b>						



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PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
$t_1$	SR trailing edge delay SR turn-off to primary switch turn-on	$RD_1 = 20\text{ k}\Omega$	94	123	157	ns
		$RD_1 = 100\text{ k}\Omega$	213	278	350	ns
$t_2$	SR leading edge delay primary switch turn-off to SR turn-on	$RD_2 = 20\text{ k}\Omega$	60	79	102	ns
		$RD_2 = 100\text{ k}\Omega$	188	250	315	ns
$t_{clk}$	Pulse width of the clock		47	65	87	ns
<b>COMP PIN</b>						
$I_{PWM-OS}$	COMP current to RAMP offset	RAMP = 0 V	596	800	1063	$\mu\text{A}$
$V_{SS-OS}$	SS to RAMP offset	RAMP = 0 V	0.86	1	1.15	V
	COMP current to RAMP gain	$\Delta\text{RAMP}/\Delta I_{COMP}$	1895	2400	2936	$\Omega$
	SS to RAMP gain	$\Delta\text{SS}/\Delta\text{RAMP}$	0.574	0.646	0.74	
$I_{COSsrEn}$	COMP current for SSSR charge current enable	$SS > 2\text{ V}$	600	750	900	$\mu\text{A}$
	COMP to gate driver output delay		100	120	150	ns
	Minimum duty cycle	$I_{COMP} = 1\text{ mA}$			0	%
<b>BOOST (BST PIN)</b>						
$V_{BST(UV)}$	BST under-voltage threshold	$V_{BST} - V_{SW}$ rising	3.2	4.137	5.6	V
	Hysteresis		0.37	0.481	0.65	V
<b>LSG, HSG GATE DRIVERS</b>						
$V_{OL\_PRI}$	Low-state output voltage	$I_{HSG/LSG} = 100\text{ mA}$	0.1	0.3	0.41	V
$V_{OH\_PRI}$	High-state output voltage	$I_{HSG/LSG} = 100\text{ mA}$ , $V_{OHL\_PRI} = V_{CC} - V_{LSG}$ , $V_{OHH\_PRI} = V_{BST} - V_{HSG}$	0	0.38	1	V
	Rise Time	C-load = 1000 pF	2	8	12	ns
	Fall Time	C-load = 1000 pF	2	10	14	ns
$I_{SO\_PRI}$	Peak Source Current	$V_{HSG/LSG} = 0\text{ V}$		1		A
$I_{SL\_PRI}$	Peak Sink Current	$V_{HSG/LSG} = V_{CC}$		2		A
<b>SR1, SR2 GATE DRIVERS</b>						
$V_{OL\_SR}$	Low-state output voltage	$I_{SR1/SR2} = 10\text{ mA}$			0.12	V
$V_{OH\_SR}$	High-state output voltage	$I_{SR1/SR2} = 10\text{ mA}$ , $V_{OH\_SR} = V_{REF} - V_{SR}$			0.313	V
	Rise Time	C-load = 1000 pF	25	45	65	ns
	Fall Time	C-load = 1000 pF	4	10	16	ns
$I_{SO\_SR}$	Peak Source Current	$V_{SR} = 0\text{ V}$	0.05	0.09	0.14	A
$I_{SL\_SR}$	Peak Sink Current	$V_{SR} = V_{REF}$	0.1	0.2	0.4	A
<b>HALF BRIDGE THERMAL SHUTDOWN</b>						
$T_{SD}$	Thermal Shutdown Temp			150		$^{\circ}\text{C}$
	Thermal Shutdown Hysteresis			25		$^{\circ}\text{C}$
<b>AUX SUPPLY SWITCH CHARACTERISTICS</b>						
	Buck Switch $R_{DS(ON)}$	$I_{TEST} = 60\text{ mA}$	3.0	5.2	7.5	$\Omega$
	Synchronous Switch $R_{DS(ON)}$	$I_{TEST} = 60\text{ mA}$	1.2	2.8	4.5	$\Omega$
<b>AUX SUPPLY UNDERVOLTAGE LOCKOUT</b>						
$V_{BST\_AUX(UV)}$	BST_AUX undervoltage threshold	$V_{BST\_AUX} - V_{SW\_AUX}$ rising	3.5	5.0	6.5	V
$V_{AUX\_UVLO}$	AUX supply UVLO input voltage rising threshold		12.2	15	16.0	V
	AUX supply UVLO input voltage falling threshold		7.9	11.2	12.7	V

MIN and MAX limits apply the junction temperature range of  $-40^{\circ}\text{C} \leq T_J \leq 125^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Unless otherwise specified, the following conditions apply:  $V_{IN} = 48\text{ V}$ ,  $R_T = 25\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_{D1} = R_{D2} = 20\text{ k}\Omega$ ,  $R_{ON} = 100\text{ k}\Omega$ . No load on LSG, HSG, SR1, SR2, UVLO = 2.5 V, ON\_OFF = 0 V.

PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
<b>AUX SUPPLY REGULATION</b>						
$V_{AUX-OFF}$	OFF-State AUX Voltage Regulation Level		1.26	1.4	1.53	V
$V_{AUX-ON}$	ON-State AUX Voltage Regulation Level		0.95	1	1.04	V
<b>AUX SUPPLY CURRENT LIMIT</b>						
$I_{AUX(LIM)}$	AUX Supply Current Limit Threshold		150	200	250	mA
$t_{CSBLKA}$	Current limit comparator blanking period measured from start of $t_{ON}$ period <sup>(1)</sup>			50		ns
$t_{AUX(LIM)}$	Delay from Comparator Threshold to upper MOSFET turn-OFF <sup>(1)</sup>			116		ns
$T_{AuxSns}$	Aux Current Limit Parasitic Filter time constant <sup>(1)</sup>			41		ns
<b>AUX SUPPLY THERMAL SHUTDOWN</b>						
$T_{SD\_AUX}$	AUX Supply Thermal Shutdown Temp			160		$^{\circ}\text{C}$
	AUX Supply Thermal Shutdown Hysteresis			28		$^{\circ}\text{C}$

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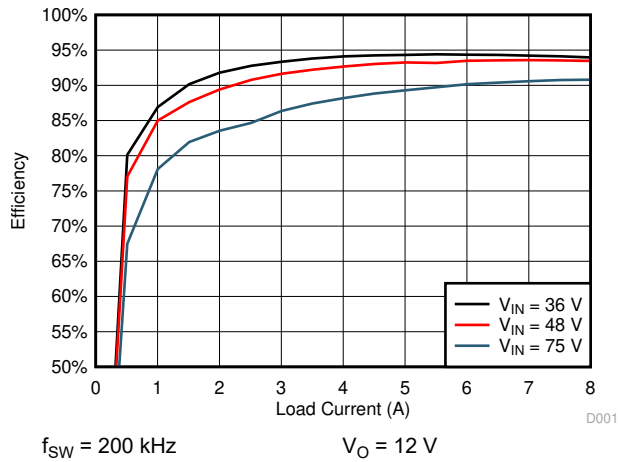
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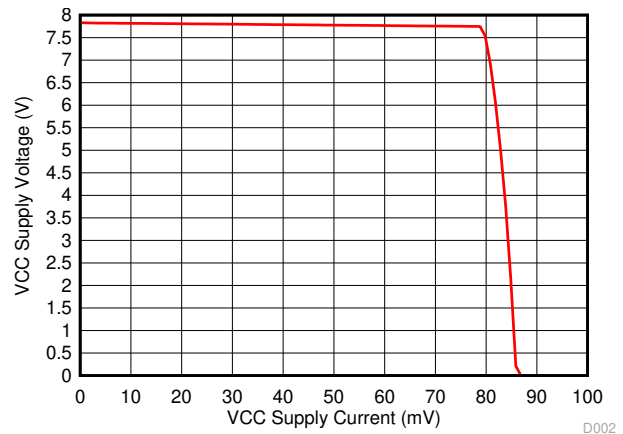
PARAMETER		TEST CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNIT
$t_{ON}$	AUX SUPPLY ON-TIME	$V_{IN} = 32\text{ V}$ , $R_{ON} = 100\text{ k}\Omega$	240	330	440	ns
$t_{ON}$	AUX SUPPLY ON-TIME <sup>(1)</sup>	$V_{IN}=54\text{ V}$ , $R_{ON} = 250\text{ k}\Omega$		493		ns
$t_{ON}$	AUX SUPPLY ON-TIME <sup>(1)</sup>	$V_{IN}=75\text{ V}$ , $R_{ON} = 250\text{ k}\Omega$		370		ns
$t_{OFF(MIN)}$	AUX SUPPLY MINIMUM OFF-TIME	$FB\_AUX = 0\text{ V}$	69	103	136	ns

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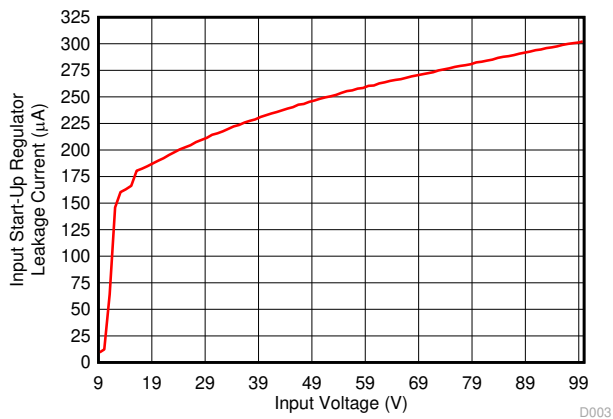
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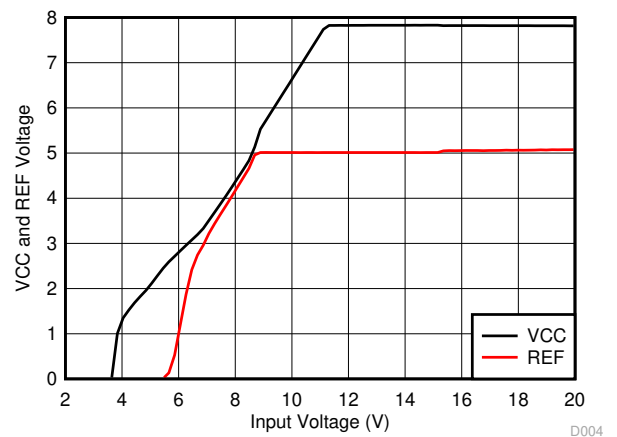
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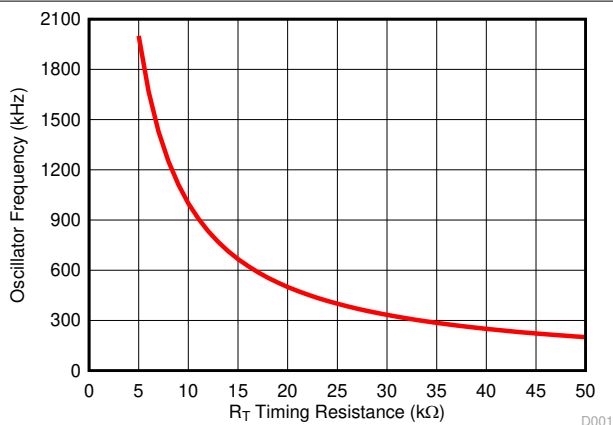
**Figure 6-2. VCC Load Regulation**



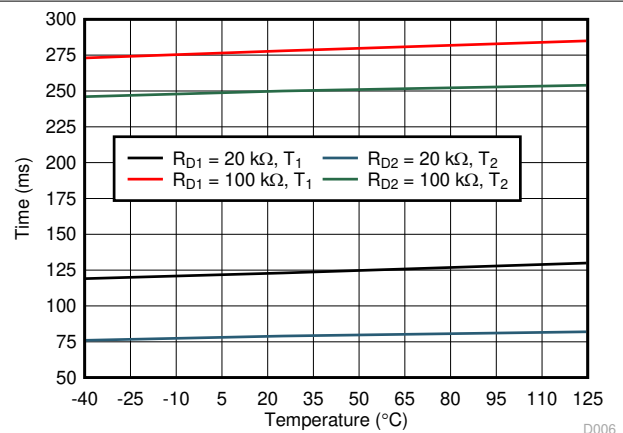
**Figure 6-3. Input Leakage Current of Start-up Regulator vs Input Voltage**



**Figure 6-4. VCC and REF Voltage vs Input Voltage**



**Figure 6-5. Oscillator Frequency vs  $R_T$  Timing Resistance**



**Figure 6-6. Dead Time vs Temperature**

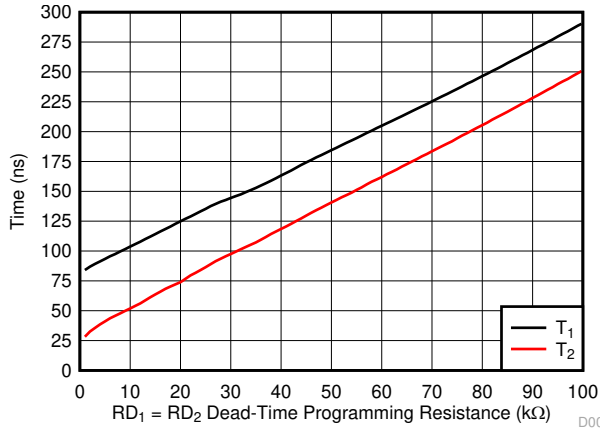


Figure 6-7. Dead Time vs Programming Resistance

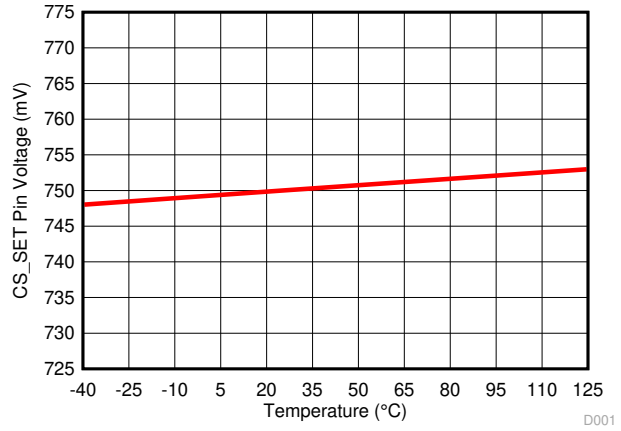


Figure 6-8. CS\_SET Pin Voltage vs Temperature

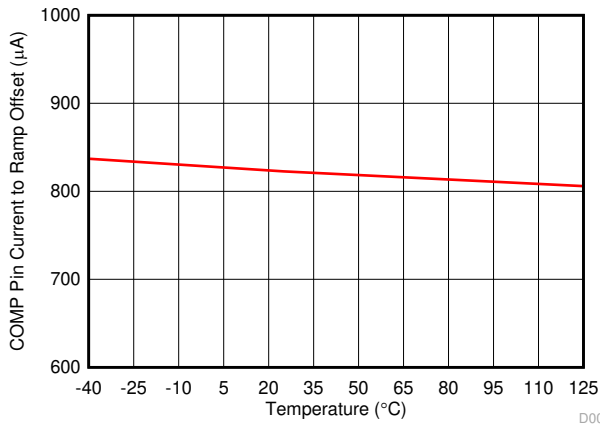


Figure 6-9. COMP Pin to 1-V RAMP Offset vs Temperature

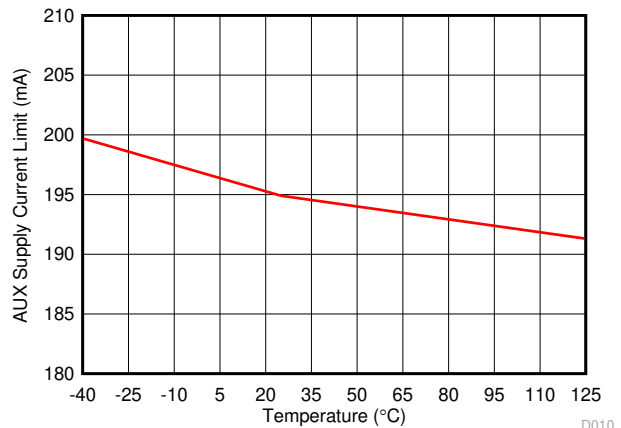


Figure 6-10. Auxiliary Supply Current Limit vs Temperature

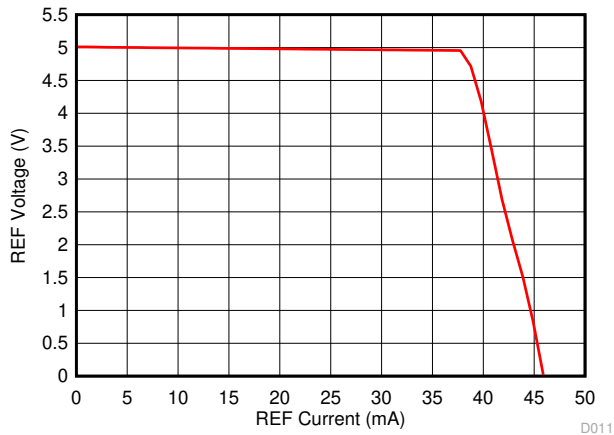


Figure 6-11. REF Load Regulation

## 7 Detailed Description

### 7.1 Overview

The LM5036 device is a highly-integrated, half-bridge PWM controller with integrated auxiliary bias supply. It provides a high power-density solution for telecom, datacom and industrial power converters. The device has all of the features necessary to implement a power converter that uses half-bridge topology. The device employs voltage-mode control and includes input voltage feed-forward to improve performance. This device operates on the primary side of an isolated DC-DC power converter with input voltage up to 100-V.

The soft-start function provides a fully regulated and monotonic rise of output voltage, even when the converter energizes into a pre-biased load. The device uses an enhanced cycle-by-cycle (CBC) current limit. This function matches the pulse to maintain the voltage balance of the half-bridge capacitor divider. This method ensures flux balance of the transformer during CBC operation. The input voltage compensation function helps to minimize the variation of the current limit level across the entire input voltage range.

The LM5036 device has these other features:

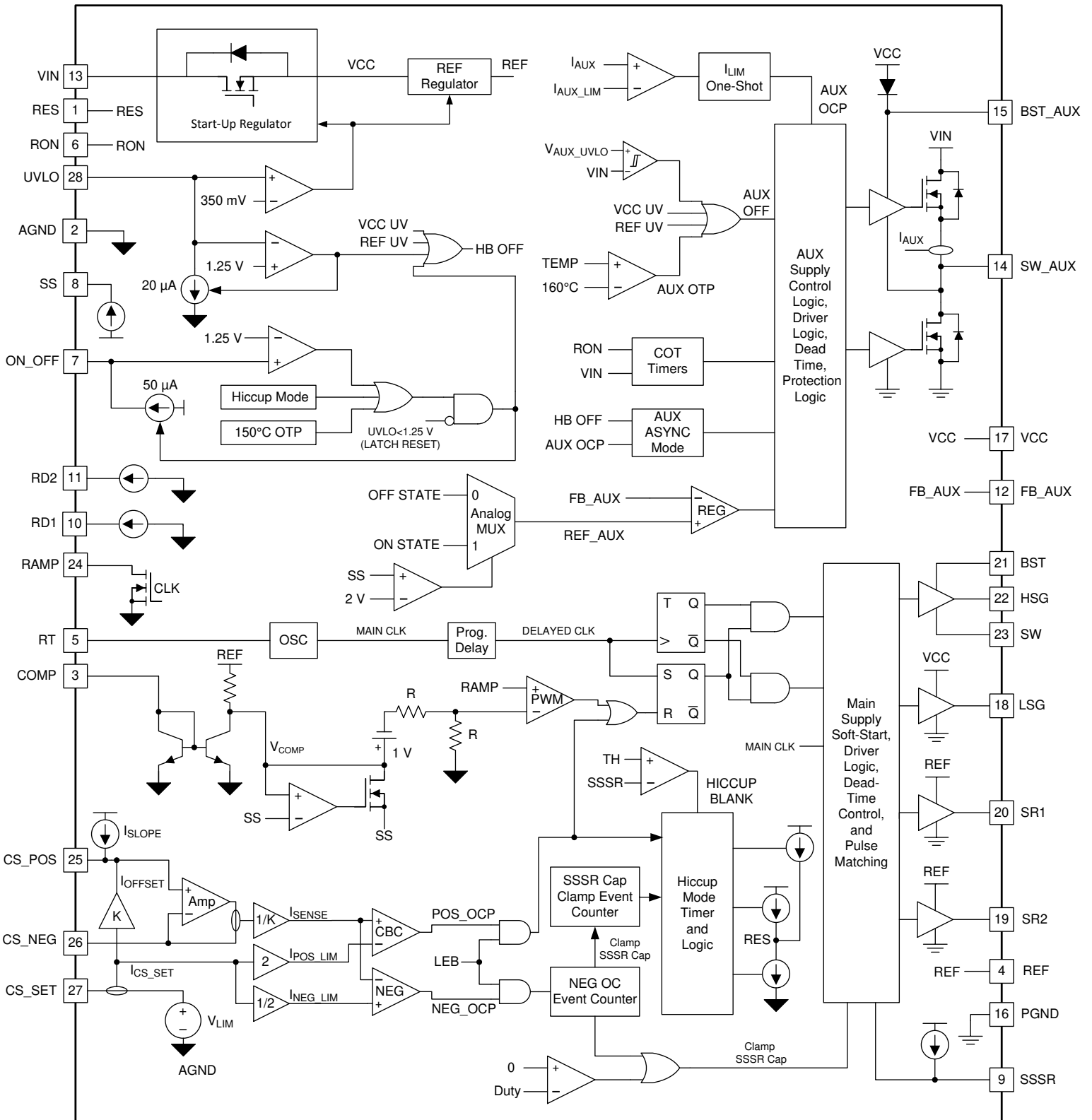
- configurable latch protection
- configurable overvoltage protection (OVP)
- optimized maximum duty cycle operation for the primary MOSFETs
- integrated half-bridge MOSFET gate drivers
- programmable dead-time between the primary MOSFETs and synchronous rectifiers
- auxiliary supply synchronous and asynchronous mode transition
- 5-V synchronous rectifier PWM outputs
- programmable line undervoltage lockout (UVLO)
- hiccup mode overcurrent protection (OCP)
- reverse current protection
- a 2-MHz capable oscillator with synchronization capability
- two-level thermal shutdown protection

An [Excel Calculator Tool](#) is provided to ease the process of creating custom designs using this controller. This tool calculates values for all the external components required by the controller to meet a given specification. It also generates many key parameters of the power stage including, for example, the turns ratio of the half-bridge transformer. The tool generates graphs predicting, for a given set of current limit components, how the output current limit will vary with input voltage. Maximum flexibility is offered by calculating suggested values for most components, but allowing the user to input values of their own choice.

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**7.2 Functional Block Diagram**



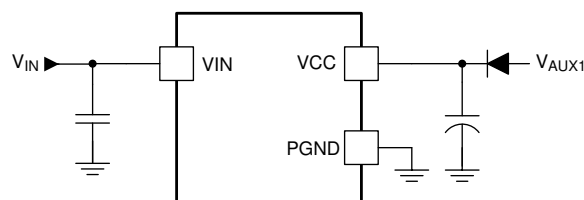
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## 7.3 Feature Description

### 7.3.1 High-Voltage Start-Up Regulator

The LM5036 device contains a high-voltage VCC start-up regulator that allows the input pin ( $V_{IN}$ ) to be connected directly to an input voltage up to 100-V. Higher input voltages can be accommodated by adding some additional external parts, as described in [Section 8.2.2.4](#). When the UVLO pin voltage is greater than  $V_{SD}$  (0.38-V typical), the start-up regulator is enabled to charge an external capacitor connected to the VCC pin. The output voltage of the VCC regulator is regulated at  $V_{CC}$  (7.8-V typical). The VCC regulator provides power to the reference (REF) regulator. The regulator output at VCC is internally current limited to  $I_{CC(Lim)}$  (81-mA typical). The value of the VCC capacitor depends on the total system design, and its start-up characteristics. The recommended range of values for the VCC capacitor is 0.47- $\mu$ F to 10- $\mu$ F.

LM5036 can power itself using its internal high-voltage start-up linear regulator, but internal power dissipation can be reduced by powering VCC from an auxiliary switched mode supply. LM5036 device integrates all of the functions needed to implement a low-cost and easy-to-design isolated fly-buck auxiliary supply based on the constant-on-time (COT) control scheme. The primary output  $V_{AUX1}$  of the auxiliary supply must be connected through a diode to the VCC pin, as shown in [Figure 7-1](#). The auxiliary supply must raise the VCC voltage above the internally generated  $V_{CC}$  voltage in order to shut off the internal start-up regulator. Powering VCC from an auxiliary switched mode supply improves efficiency while reducing the power dissipation of the controller IC. The VCC under-voltage (UV) circuit will still function in this mode, requiring that VCC never falls below its UV threshold during the start-up sequence. The VCC regulator series pass transistor includes a diode between VCC and  $V_{IN}$  that should not be forward biased in normal operation. Therefore, the auxiliary VCC voltage should never exceed the  $V_{IN}$  voltage.



**Figure 7-1. External VCC Bias Supply Connection**

### 7.3.2 Undervoltage Lockout (UVLO)

The LM5036 controller contains a three-level under-voltage lockout circuit. When the UVLO pin voltage is below  $V_{SD}$  (0.38-V typical), the controller is in a low current shutdown mode where the functional circuit blocks are not enabled including VCC startup regulator, auxiliary supply and the main half-bridge control logic and gate drive circuitry, etc.

When UVLO pin voltage is above  $V_{SD}$ , the VCC and REF regulators become active.

When the VCC and REF outputs exceed their respective UV thresholds and the input voltage  $V_{IN}$  rises above  $V_{AUX\_UVLO}$  (15-V typical), the auxiliary supply is enabled.

When UVLO pin voltage rises above  $V_{UVLO}$  (1.25-V typical) and VCC and REF voltage are above their respective UV thresholds, the control logic of the main half-bridge converter is enabled. The soft-start capacitor is released and normal operation begins. An external set-point voltage divider from  $V_{IN}$  to GND can be used to set the minimum operating voltage of the half-bridge converter. The divider must be designed such that the voltage at the UVLO pin is greater than  $V_{UVLO}$  when  $V_{IN}$  enters the desired operating range. UVLO hysteresis is accomplished with an internal current sink  $I_{UVLO}$  (20- $\mu$ A typical) that is switched on or off into the impedance of the external set-point divider. When the UVLO pin voltage threshold of  $V_{UVLO}$  is exceeded, the current sink is deactivated to quickly raise the voltage at the UVLO pin. When the UVLO pin voltage falls below the  $V_{UVLO}$  threshold, the current sink is enabled causing the voltage at the UVLO pin to quickly fall. See [Table 7-1](#) for more detail on functional modes of LM5036.

### 7.3.3 Reference Regulator

The REF pin is the output of a 5-V linear regulator that can be used to bias an opto-coupler transistor, primary side of an isolated gate driver or digital isolator, among other housekeeping circuits. The regulator output is internally current limited to  $I_{REF(LIM)}$  (39-mA typical). The REF pin must be locally decoupled with a ceramic capacitor, the recommended range of values is from 0.1- $\mu$ F to 10- $\mu$ F.

### 7.3.4 Oscillator, Synchronized Input

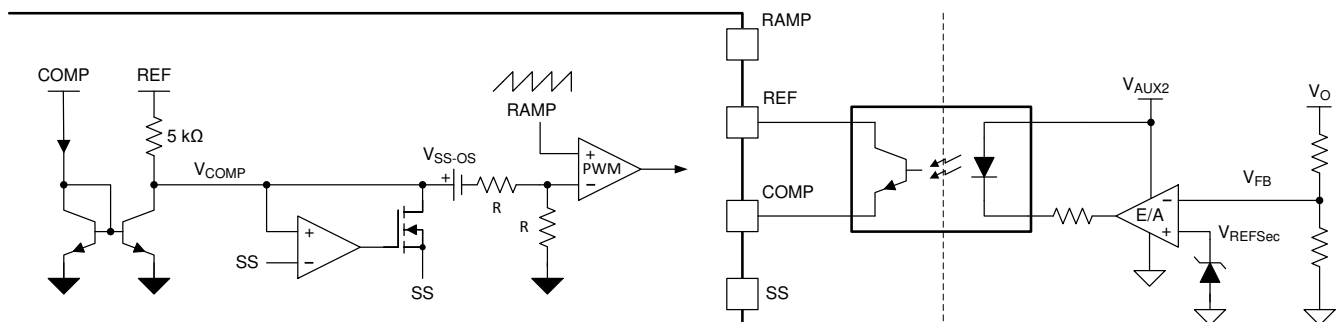
The oscillator frequency of LM5036 device is set by a resistor connected between the RT pin and AGND. The  $R_T$  resistor should be located close to the device. To set a desired oscillator frequency ( $f_{OSC}$ ), the value of  $R_T$  resistor can be calculated from Equation 1.

$$R_T = \frac{1}{f_{OSC} \times 1 \times 10^{-10}} \quad (1)$$

For example, if the desired oscillator frequency is 400-kHz, that is, each phase (LSG and HSG) switches at 200-kHz, the value of  $R_T$  is calculated to be 25-k $\Omega$ . If the LM5036 device is to be synchronized to an external clock, that signal must be coupled into the RT pin through a 100-pF capacitor. The RT pin voltage is nominally regulated at  $V_{RTReg}$  (2-V typical) and the external pulse amplitude should lift the pin to between 3.5-V and 5.0-V on the low-to-high transition. The synchronization pulse width should be between 15-ns and 200-ns. The  $R_T$  resistor is always required, whether the oscillator is free running or externally synchronized and SYNC frequency must be equal to or greater than the frequency set by the  $R_T$  resistor.

### 7.3.5 Voltage-Mode Control

The LM5036 device employs voltage-mode control with input voltage feed-forward for the main half-bridge converter. A simplified block diagram of the voltage-mode feedback control loop is shown in Figure 7-2.



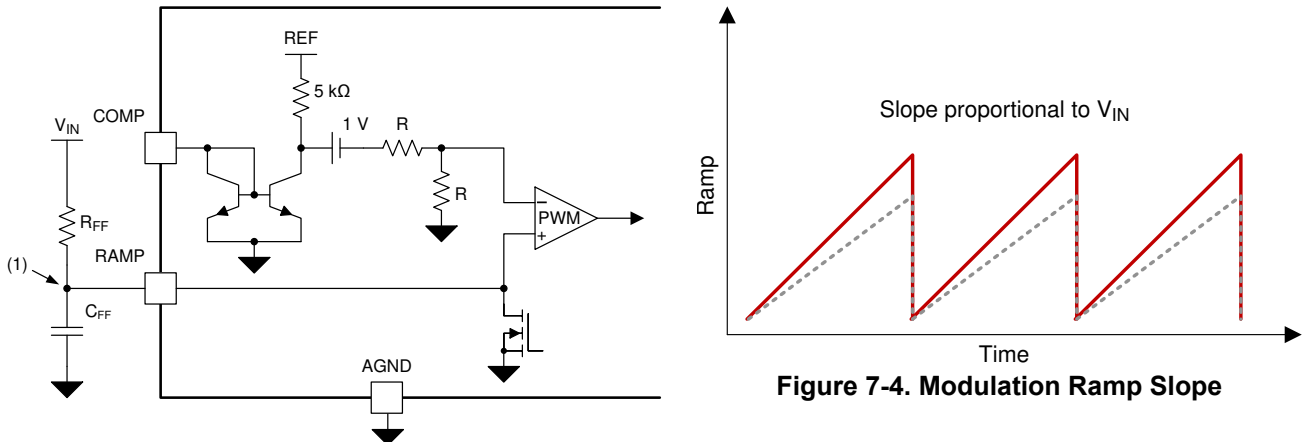
**Figure 7-2. Voltage-Mode Feedback Control Loop for Half-Bridge Converter**

The output voltage ( $V_O$ ) is sensed and compared against a reference voltage ( $V_{REFSec}$ ) on the secondary side which produces an error voltage which is then processed by the error amplifier. The compensated error signal is transmitted across the isolation boundary through an opto-coupler and then gets injected into the COMP pin in the form of a control current. The COMP pin current is internally mirrored by a matching pair of NPN transistors which sink current through a 5-k $\Omega$  resistor connected to the 5-V internal reference. The resulting control voltage  $V_{COMP}$  is compared with the soft-start capacitor voltage (SS) and the smaller of the two passes through an offset  $V_{SS-OS}$  (1-V typical), followed by a 2:1 resistor divider before being applied to the PWM comparator to determine the duty cycle of the half-bridge converter. The PWM comparator polarity is configured such that with no current flowing into the COMP pin, the controller produces maximum duty cycle for the primary FETs.

An opto-coupler detector can be connected between the REF pin and the COMP pin. Because the COMP pin is controlled by a current input, the voltage across the opto-coupler detector is nearly constant. The bandwidth limiting phase delay which is normally introduced by the significant capacitance of the opto-coupler is thereby greatly reduced. Higher loop bandwidths can be realized because the bandwidth limiting pole associated with the opto-coupler is now at a much higher frequency.



The voltage at the RAMP pin provides the modulation ramp for the PWM comparator. The PWM comparator compares the modulation ramp signal at the RAMP pin to the COMP voltage to control the duty cycle. The modulation ramp signal can be implemented as a ramp proportional to the input voltage, known as feed-forward voltage mode control, as shown in Figure 7-3. The RAMP pin is reset by an internal MOSFET when RAMP voltage passes COMP voltage, current limit event, or at the conclusion of each PWM cycle, whichever comes earlier.



A. Slope proportional to input voltage (see Figure 7-4)

**Figure 7-3. Feed-Forward Voltage-Mode Control Configuration**

An external resistor ( $R_{FF}$ ) and capacitor ( $C_{FF}$ ) connected to  $V_{IN}$ , AGND, and the RAMP pins are required to create a saw-tooth modulation ramp signal. The slope of the signal at RAMP will vary in proportion to the input voltage. The varying slope provides line feed-forward information necessary to improve line transient response with voltage-mode control. With a constant control signal, the on-time ( $t_{ON}$ ) varies inversely with the input voltage ( $V_{IN}$ ) to stabilize the volt-second product of the transformer. Using a line feed-forward ramp for PWM control requires very little change in the voltage regulation loop to compensate for changes in input voltage, as compared to a ramp with fixed slope. In addition, voltage-mode control is less susceptible to noise. Therefore, it is a good choice for wide input range power converter applications. However, voltage-mode control requires a Type-III compensation network due to the complex-conjugate poles of the L-C output filter.

Assistance with half-bridge voltage control loop design may be obtained using the [Power Stage Designer™](#) tool.

The recommended capacitor value range for  $C_{FF}$  is from 100-pF to 1800-pF. Figure 7-3, shows that the  $C_{FF}$  value must be small enough to be discharged within the clock pulse-width ( $t_{CLK}$ ). The value of  $R_{FF}$  required can be calculated from Equation 2

$$R_{FF} = \frac{-1}{f_{OSC} \times C_{FF} \times \ln\left(1 - \frac{V_{RAMP}}{V_{IN(min)}}\right)} \quad (2)$$

For example, assuming a  $V_{RAMP}$  voltage of 1.5-V (a good compromise of signal range and noise immunity),  $V_{IN(min)}$  of 36-V, oscillator frequency of 400-kHz and  $C_{FF} = 560$ -pF results in  $R_{FF} = 105$ -k $\Omega$ .

### 7.3.6 Primary-Side Gate Driver Outputs (LSG and HSG)

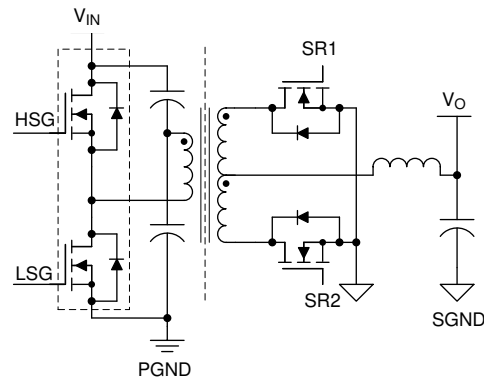
The LM5036 device provides two gate driver outputs for the primary FETs of the main half-bridge converter: one floating high-side gate driver output HSG and one ground referenced low-side gate driver output LSG. Each internal gate driver is capable of sourcing 1-A peak and sinking 2-A peak (typical). Initially, the LSG output is turned on during the power transfer phase, followed by a freewheeling period during which both LSG and HSG outputs are turned off. In the subsequent power transfer phase, the HSG output is turned on followed by another freewheeling period.

The low-side LSG gate driver is powered directly by the VCC bias supply. The HSG gate driver is powered from a bootstrap capacitor connected between BST and SW. An external diode connected between VCC and BST provides the high-side gate driver power by charging the bootstrap capacitor from VCC when the switching node SW is low. When the high side FET is turned on, BST rises to a peak voltage equal to  $V_{CC} + V_{IN}$ .

The BST and VCC capacitors should be placed close to the pins of the LM5036 device to minimize voltage transients due to parasitic inductance because the peak current source to the MOSFET gates can exceed 1 A (typical). The recommended value of the BST capacitor is 0.1- $\mu$ F or greater. A low ESR/ESL capacitor, such as a surface mount ceramic, should be used to prevent voltage drop during the HSG transitions.

### 7.3.7 Half-Bridge PWM Scheme

Synchronous rectification on the secondary side of the transformer provides higher efficiency, especially for low output voltage and high output current converter, compared to the diode rectification. The reduction of the diode forward voltage drop (0.5-V to 1.5-V) to 10-mV to 200-mV  $V_{DS}$  voltage for a MOSFET significantly reduces rectification losses. In a typical application, the secondary windings of the transformer can be center tapped, with the output power inductor in series with the center tap, as shown in Figure 7-5. The synchronous rectifiers (SRs) provide the ground path for the energized secondary winding and the inductor current.



**Figure 7-5. Half-bridge Topology with Center-Tap Rectification**

The internal SR drivers are powered by the REF regulator and each SR output is capable of sourcing 0.1-A and sinking 0.2-A peak (typical). The amplitude of the SR drivers is limited to 5-V. The 5-V SR signals enable the transfer of SR control signals across the isolation barrier either through a digital isolator or isolated gate driver. It should be noted that the actual gate sourcing and sinking currents for the SRs are provided by the secondary-side gate drivers.

The timing diagram of the four PWM signals (LSG, HSG, SR1, and SR2) with dead-times is illustrated in Figure 7-6. The main clock is generated by the internal oscillator. A delayed clock is derived by adding a delay of  $t_D$  to the main clock.  $t_D$  can be calculated from Equation 3, where  $RD_1$  is the value of the resistor connected between RD1 pin and AGND.

$$t_D = RD_1 \times 2 \text{ pF} + 20 \text{ ns} \quad (3)$$

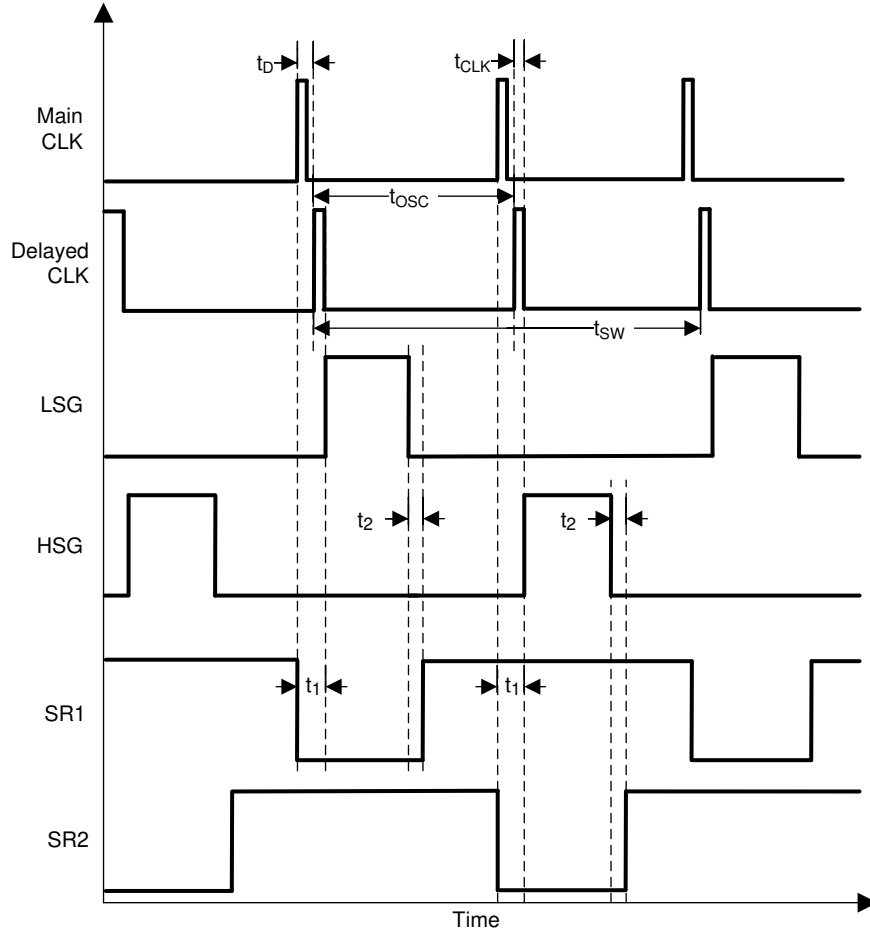


Figure 7-6. PWM Signal Timing Diagram

As illustrated in [Figure 7-6](#), the rising edge of the main clock is used to turn off the SRs. Primary FET drive signal LSG/HSG is turned on at the falling edge of the delayed clock. Therefore, the dead-time between the falling edge of SR and the rising edge of the respective primary FET can be calculated from [Equation 4](#)

$$t_1 = t_D + t_{CLK} \quad (4)$$

where

- $t_{CLK}$  is the pulse width of the clock which is 65 ns (typical).

The minimum achievable  $t_1$  is dominated by the pulse width of the clock when  $t_D$  is set to minimum (30 ns).

After SR1 is turned off, the body diode of SR1 continues to carry about half the inductor current until the primary power raises the drain voltage of the SR1 and reverse biases its body diode. Ideally, dead-time  $t_1$  would be set to the minimum time that allows the SR to turn off before the body diode starts conducting.

Power is transferred from the primary to the secondary side when the LSG is turned on. During this power transfer period, the SR2 is still turned on while the SR1 is turned off. The drain voltage of SR1 is twice the voltage of the center tap at this time. Under the normal operation, the LSG is turned off either when the RAMP signal exceeds the COMP signal or at the rising edge of the next delayed clock signal (maximum duty cycle condition), whichever comes earlier. A dead-time  $t_2$  is inserted between the falling edge of LSG and rising edge of SR1.  $t_2$  can be calculated from [Equation 5](#), where  $RD_2$  is the value of the resistor connected between RD2 pin and AGND.

$$t_2 = RD_2 \times 2 \text{ pF} + 30 \text{ ns} \quad (5)$$

During the dead-time  $t_2$ , the inductor current continues to flow through the body diode of SR1. Because the body diode causes more conduction loss than the SR, efficiency can be improved by minimizing the  $t_2$  period while maintaining sufficient margin across the entire operating conditions (component tolerances, input voltages, etc.) to prevent the cross conduction between the primary FET and SR.

During the freewheeling period where both of the primary FETs are turned off while both of the SRs are turned on, the inductor current is almost equally shared between SR1 and SR2 which effectively shorts the secondary winding of the transformer. SR2 is then turned off before HSG is turned on. The power is transferred from the primary to secondary side again when HSG is turned on. After HSG is disabled and the dead-time  $t_2$  expires, SR1 and SR2 both conduct again during the freewheeling period.

Resistor values of no less than 5-k $\Omega$  should be connected between the RD1/RD2 pins and AGND

### 7.3.8 Maximum Duty Cycle Operation

The LSG and HSG will operate at maximum duty cycle when they are turned off at the rising edge of the delayed clock, instead of by the event where RAMP voltage passes COMP voltage, as shown in [Figure 7-7](#). In LM5036 device, it is intended to achieve optimized maximum duty cycle for the primary FETs in order to accommodate wider range of operation.

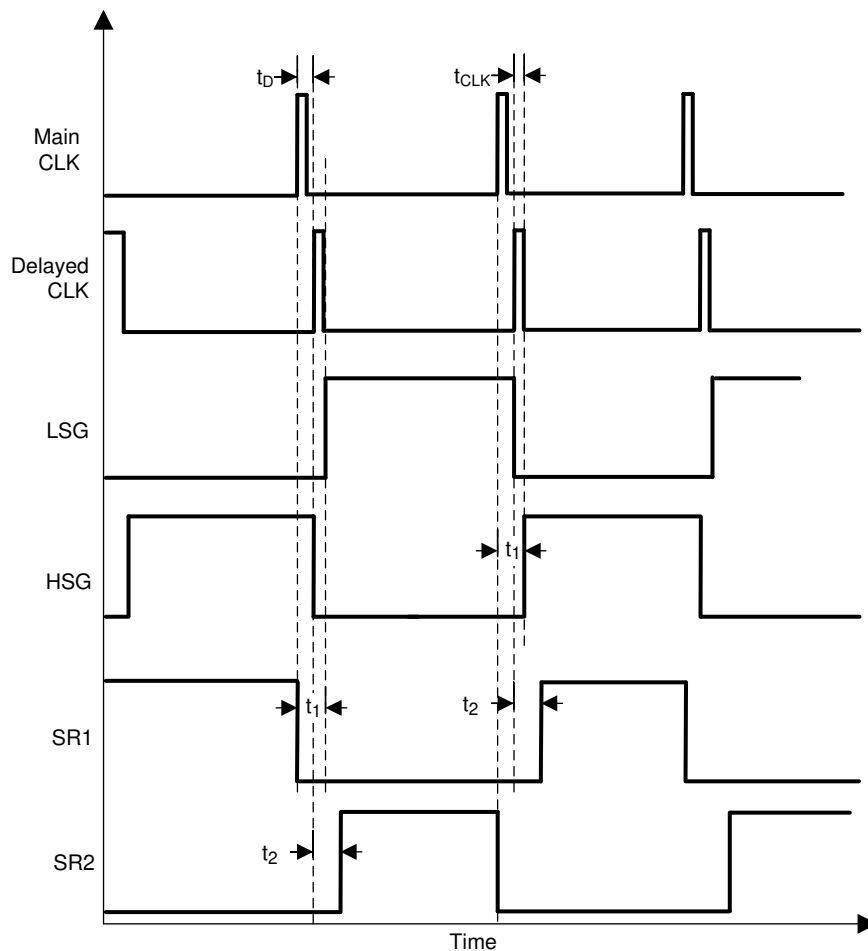


Figure 7-7. PWM Signals at Maximum Duty Cycle Condition

Use Equation 6 to calculate the maximum duty cycle for the primary FETs

$$D_{MAX} = \frac{\frac{1}{f_{OSC}} - t_{CLK}}{\frac{2}{f_{OSC}}} \quad (6)$$

where

- $f_{OSC}$  is the oscillator frequency which is twice the switching frequency

The pulse width of the clock is used in this case to prevent cross-conduction between the two primary FETs during the maximum duty cycle operation.

### 7.3.9 Pre-Biased Start-Up Process

The soft-start functionality limits the inrush current and voltage stress of the power converter. A common requirement for the power converters used in the telecom/datacom applications is to have a monotonic output voltage start-up into pre-biased load conditions where the output capacitor is pre-charged prior to start-up. In a pre-biased load condition, if the synchronous rectifiers are engaged prematurely they will sink current from the pre-charged output capacitors resulting in undesired output voltage dip or even power converter damage. The LM5036 device implements unique circuitry to ensure intelligent turn-on of the synchronous rectifiers such that the output voltage has monotonic start-up.

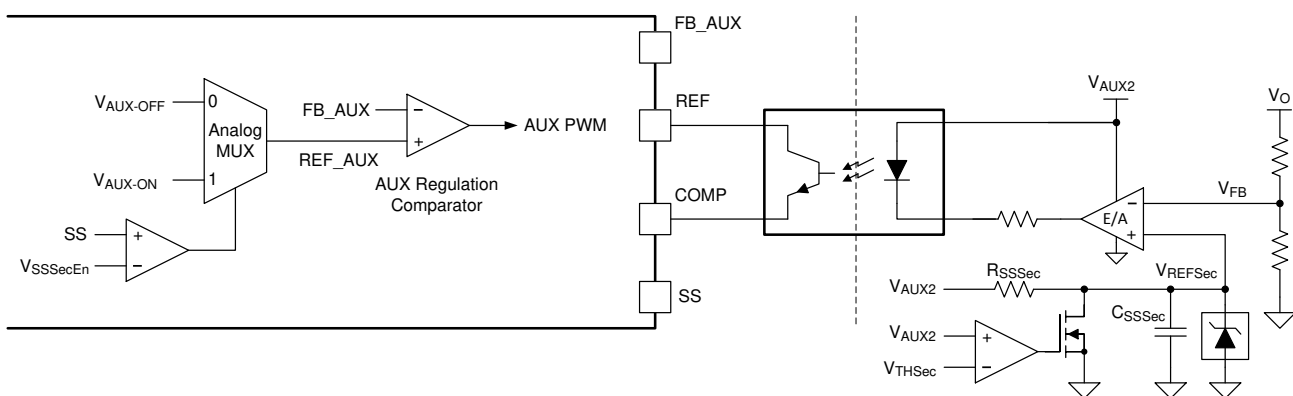
The start-up process can be divided into two phases:

- soft-start of the primary FETs
- soft-start of the SRs

The pre-biased start-up process is handled automatically by LM5036. The user need only select values for  $C_{SS}$ ,  $C_{SSSR}$ , and the ramp rate of the secondary reference ( $V_{REFSec}$ ) soft-start Figure 7-8. The circuit of Figure 7-8 uses a comparator to, detect the voltage change of  $V_{AUX2}$  and, release the FET shunting across the secondary soft-start capacitor ( $C_{SSSec}$ ). This comparator circuit may also be replaced by the transistor based circuit of Figure 8-3.

#### 7.3.9.1 Primary FETs Soft-Start Process

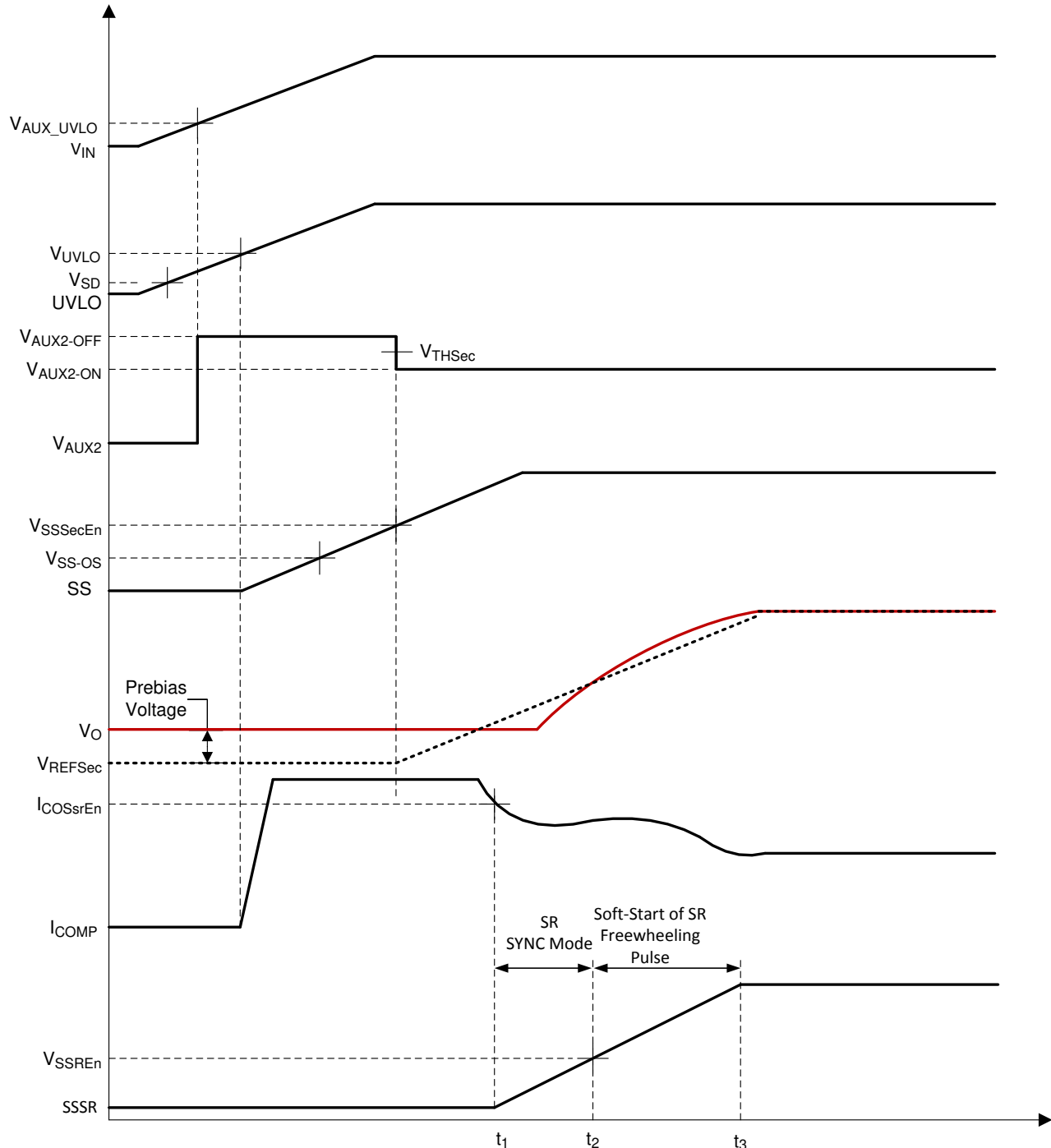
Figure 7-8 shows a simplified block diagram of the soft-start function.



**Figure 7-8. Soft-Start Function**

The auxiliary supply has two reference output voltage levels of  $V_{AUX-OFF}$  (1.4 -V typical, off state) and  $V_{AUX-ON}$  (1-V typical, on state) which facilitates easy voltage level shift detection on the secondary side. The auxiliary supply starts to operate as soon as  $V_{IN} > V_{AUX\_UVLO}$  (15-V typical) and  $V_{CC}$  and  $REF$  are above the respective UV thresholds. When the soft-start capacitor is below  $V_{SSSecEn}$  (2.06-V typical), the auxiliary supply will produce the off-state voltage on the primary ( $V_{AUX1-OFF}$ ) and secondary side ( $V_{AUX2-OFF}$ ), as shown in Figure 7-9.

The off-state auxiliary output voltage level present on the secondary side  $V_{AUX2-OFF}$  is above the threshold  $V_{THSec}$ , which activates a reset circuit that discharges the output voltage reference  $V_{REFSec}$ . This ensures that the opto-coupler is producing a 0% duty-cycle command. When UVLO exceeds  $V_{UVLO}$  (1.25-V typical) and VCC and REF are above the respective UV thresholds, the soft-start capacitor starts to charge. The auxiliary supply will produce the on-state voltage level when the soft-start capacitor reaches  $V_{SSSecEn}$ .

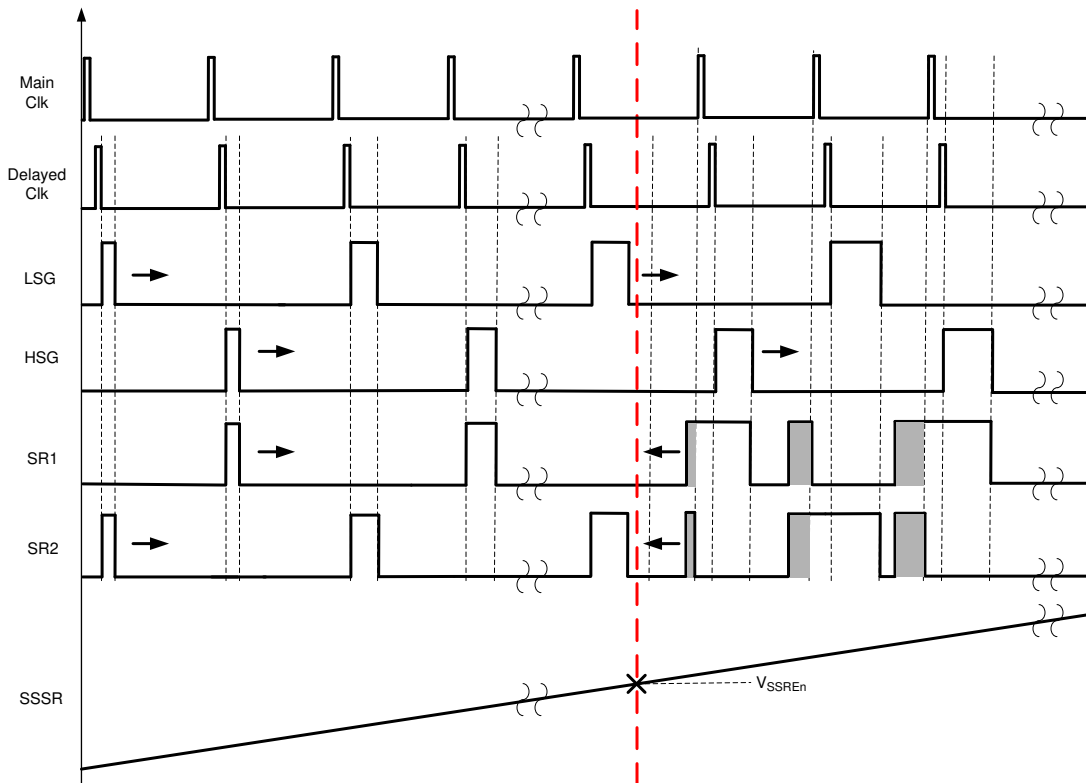


**Figure 7-9. Pre-biased Start-Up Waveform**

The secondary side reset circuit will now be disabled because  $V_{AUX2-ON} < V_{THSec}$ , and the output voltage reference is released. The reference capacitor soft-starts the output voltage under full regulation. By modulation

of the auxiliary output voltage, the communication between the primary and secondary side is established without the need of any additional opto-coupler.

Due to the introduced programmable soft-start delay (before SS capacitor reaches  $V_{SSSecEn}$ ), the duty cycle is controlled by the feedback control loop at all times without being interfered by the SS capacitor voltage (because  $V_{COMP} < V_{SS}$ ). When the reference voltage exceeds the pre-bias voltage at the output, the  $I_{COMP}$  starts to fall as the secondary side error amplifier demands increased power. As  $I_{COMP}$  falls the internal  $V_{COMP}$  voltage will rise and when it exceeds  $V_{SS-OS}$ , which corresponds to zero duty cycle, the duty cycle of the primary FETs starts to increase. Once the  $I_{COMP}$  current falls below  $I_{COSrEn}$  the device starts to charge SSSR capacitor with current  $I_{SSSR}$  (20- $\mu$ A typical).



**Figure 7-10. PWM Timing During Startup Process**

### 7.3.9.2 Synchronous Rectifier (SR) Soft-Start Process

Until SSSR capacitor reaches  $V_{SSREn}$  (1-V typical), the controller operates at SR synchronization (SYNC) mode where the SR pulses are synchronized to the respective primary FET pulses, as shown in Figure 7-10. This helps to reduce the conduction loss of the SRs. In addition, due to the fact that the SRs only conduct during power transfer phase, there is no risk of reverse current in SYNC mode. Since the pulse width of SRs gradually increases, the output voltage disturbance due to the difference in the voltage drop between the body diode and the on resistance of the SRs is prevented.

Once the SSSR capacitor crosses the  $V_{SSREn}$ , the LM5036 device begins the soft-start of the SRs freewheeling period (highlighted in gray in Figure 7-10) where the SRs may sink current from the output if they are engaged prematurely. The  $V_{SSREn}$  offset on the SSSR pin is intended to provide additional delay which ensures that the primary duty cycle ramps up to a point where the output voltage is in-regulation, thereby avoiding reverse current when the SRs are engaged. The SR soft-start follows a leading-edge modulation technique such that the leading-edge of the SR pulse is soft-started as opposed to the trailing-edge modulation of the primary FETs. As shown in Figure 7-10, SR1 and SR2 are turned on simultaneously with a narrow pulse-width during the freewheeling period. At the end of the freewheel period, that is, at the rising edge of the main CLK, the SR in phase with the next power transfer cycle remains on while the SR out of phase with it is turned off. The in-phase

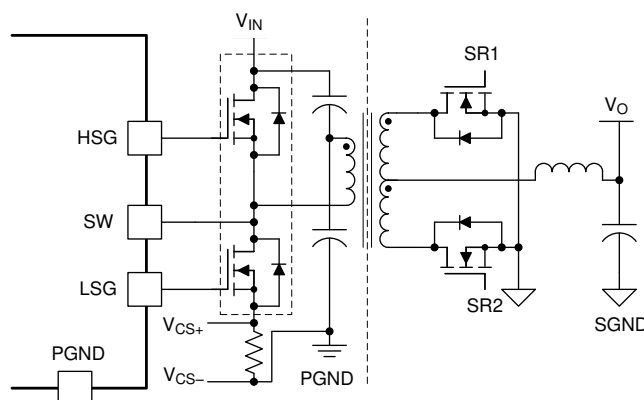
SR remains on throughout the power transfer cycle and at the end of it, both the primary FET and the in-phase SR are turned off simultaneously. At the end of the soft-start, the SR pulses will become complementary to the respective primary FETs, as shown in [Figure 7-6](#).

### 7.3.10 Zero Duty Cycle Operation

The zero duty cycle detection ensures that there is no excessive reverse current when the primary duty cycle is zero. In that case, the SSSR capacitor would be clamped to ground and therefore SRs will be turned off (SR SYNC mode). Normal operation will resume (SSSR capacitor start to charge) as soon as the load is applied. It should be noted about a special application scenario where there is a low output capacitance value. During the start-up under no load condition, the output capacitor acts like a load. With small output capacitor the converter might get stuck in zero duty until load is applied.

### 7.3.11 Enhanced Cycle-by-Cycle Current Limiting with Pulse Matching

[Figure 7-11](#) illustrates the half-bridge converter with low-side current sensing using a sense resistor.



**Figure 7-11. Half-Bridge Converter with Low-Side Current Sensing**

In LM5036 device, current limiting for the half-bridge converter is accomplished with three pins, including CS\_SET, CS\_POS and CS\_NEG pins, as shown in [Figure 7-12](#). The current sense circuit limits positive current flowing from input to output and also negative current flowing from output to input. An input voltage compensation function helps to minimize the variation of effective output current limit across the range of input voltage. A pulse matching function is automatically implemented when the peak current limit circuit is active. This function matches the pulse width on the high and low primary FETs to maintain voltage balance of the half-bridge capacitor divider. This method ensures flux balance of the transformer during peak current limit operation.



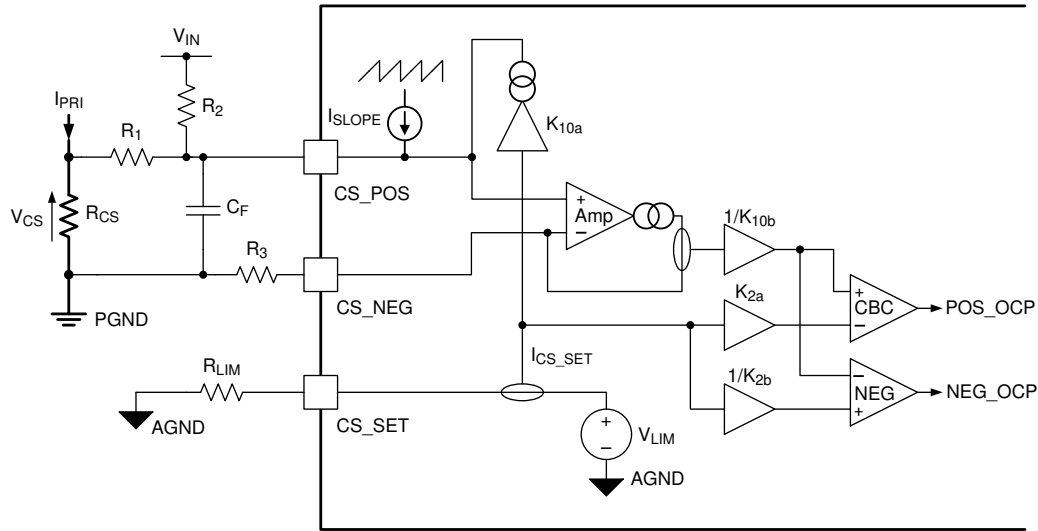


Figure 7-12. Block Diagram of the Current Limiting Function

CS\_SET pin is used to set the internal current limit threshold with an external resistor  $R_{LIM}$  according to Equation 7.

$$I_{CS\_SET} = \frac{V_{LIM}}{R_{LIM}} \quad (7)$$

where

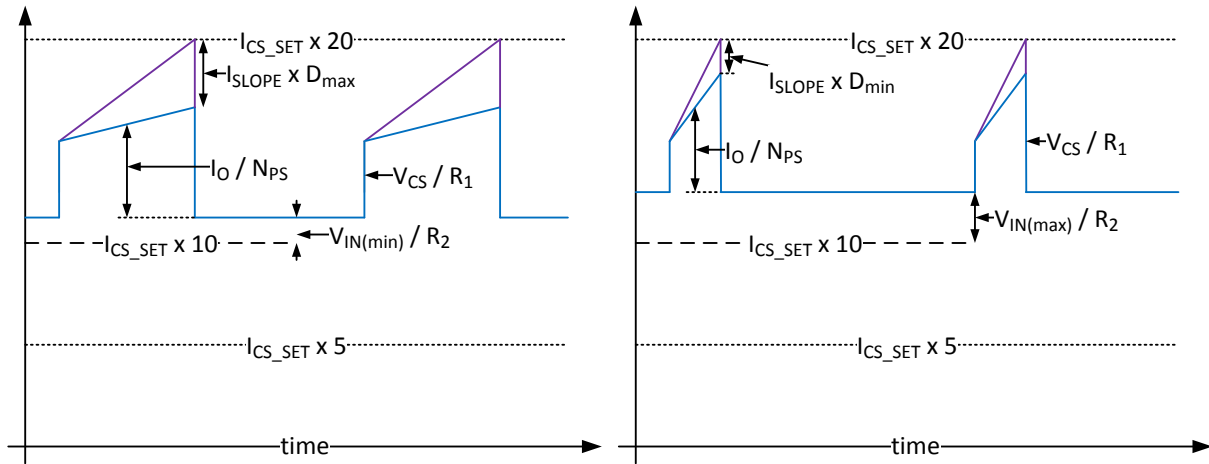
- $V_{LIM}$  (0.75-V typical) is the internal current limit setting voltage.

The CS\_POS pin is driven by a signal representative of the current flowing through the low-side FET of the half-bridge converter. The current sense voltage at CS\_POS pin (equal to CS\_NEG pin voltage) is converted to a current sense signal through  $R_3$  which is then sensed, scaled and compared against the internal current limit thresholds. In order to blank the leading-edge transient noise seen when the low-side FET is turned on, the current sense signal is blanked for  $t_{CSBLK}$  after LSG is turned on. If the magnitude of the noise spike is excessive, an additional filter capacitor  $C_F$  may be added to form an RC filter with  $R_1$  to reduce the high-frequency noise spike. Both the leading-edge blanking and RC filter help to prevent false triggering of CBC current limiting operation.

In order to achieve bi-directional current sensing, an internal offset current ( $K_{10a} \times I_{CS\_SET}$ ), is injected to the CS\_POS pin. This offset allows positive internal thresholds on the CBC and NEG comparators that correspond to effective  $I_{CS\_SET}$  and  $-I_{CS\_SET} / 2$  thresholds at the input.

When the current sense signal ( $I_{R3} \times 1 / K_{10b}$ ) reaches the positive threshold ( $K_{2a} \times I_{CS\_SET}$ ), CBC current limiting operation is activated. The controller essentially operates in peak current mode control, with the voltage loop open, during the CBC operation. A common issue with peak current mode control is sub-harmonic oscillation. This occurs when the effective duty cycle is greater than 50%. A common solution for sub-harmonic oscillation is to add slope compensation. The slope of the compensation ramp must be set to at least one half the downslope of the output inductor current transformed to the primary side across the current sense resistor. To eliminate sub-harmonic oscillation after one switching cycle, the slope compensation must be equal to the downslope of the output inductor current. This is known as deadbeat control. In LM5036, the slope compensation signal is a saw-tooth current signal ramping up from 0 to  $I_{SLOPE}$  at the oscillator frequency (twice the switching frequency of each primary FET).

However, another issue will arise after slope compensation is added. The current limit level varies with the input voltage, as illustrated in Figure 7-13. Because the slope compensation magnitude is different at different input voltages, the actual current limit level varies with input voltage for a given internal current limit threshold.



**Figure 7-13. Current Sense and Current Limit Waveforms**

A new feature, input voltage compensation, is provided by LM5036. By adding an extra signal, which is a function of input voltage, on top of the current sense signal and the slope compensation signal, variation of the current limit level can be minimized over the entire input voltage range. The CS\_POS pin voltage at time  $t$ , after the rising edge of LSG, is expressed by Equation 8:

$$v_{CS\_POS}(t) = v_{CS}(t) + R_1 \times \left( I_{CS\_SET} \times K_{10a} + \frac{V_{IN} - v_{CS\_POS}(t)}{R_2} + I_{SLOPE} \times t \times f_{OSC} \right) \quad (8)$$

$$v_{CS\_POS}(t) = \frac{v_{CS}(t) + R_1 \times \left( I_{CS\_SET} \times K_{10a} + \frac{V_{IN}}{R_2} + I_{SLOPE} \times t \times f_{OSC} \right)}{1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}} \quad (9)$$

At the trip threshold, of the CBC comparator, both its inputs are at the same potential. In this case the voltage on the CS\_NEG pin is expressed by Equation 10.

$$v_{CS\_NEG} = I_{CS\_SET} \times K_{2a} \times K_{10b} \times R_3 \quad (10)$$

$$v_{CS\_POS}(t) = v_{CS\_NEG} \quad (11)$$

For a given duty cycle ( $D$ ) the current sense threshold voltage that will just trigger the CBC comparator can be determined by combining Equation 9, Equation 10 and Equation 11.

$$v_{CS\_CBCTh} = R_1 \times \left( I_{CS\_SET} \times \left( K_{2a} \times K_{10b} \times R_3 \left( \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \right) - K_{10a} \right) - \frac{V_{IN}}{R_2} - I_{SLOPE} \times D \right) \quad (12)$$

Now if we assume:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{R_3} &= \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} \\ K_{10a} &= K_{10b} = 10 \\ K_{2a} &= 2 \\ D &= t_{ON} \times f_{OSC} = \frac{2 \times V_O}{V_{IN}} \times N_{PS} \\ N_{PS} &= \frac{N_P}{N_S} \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

Equation 12 simplifies to Equation 14.

$$V_{CS\_CBCTh} = R_1 \times \left( \frac{K_{CBC1}}{R_{LIM}} - \frac{V_{IN}}{R_2} - I_{SLOPE} \times \frac{2 \times V_O}{V_{IN}} \times N_{PS} \right)$$

Where

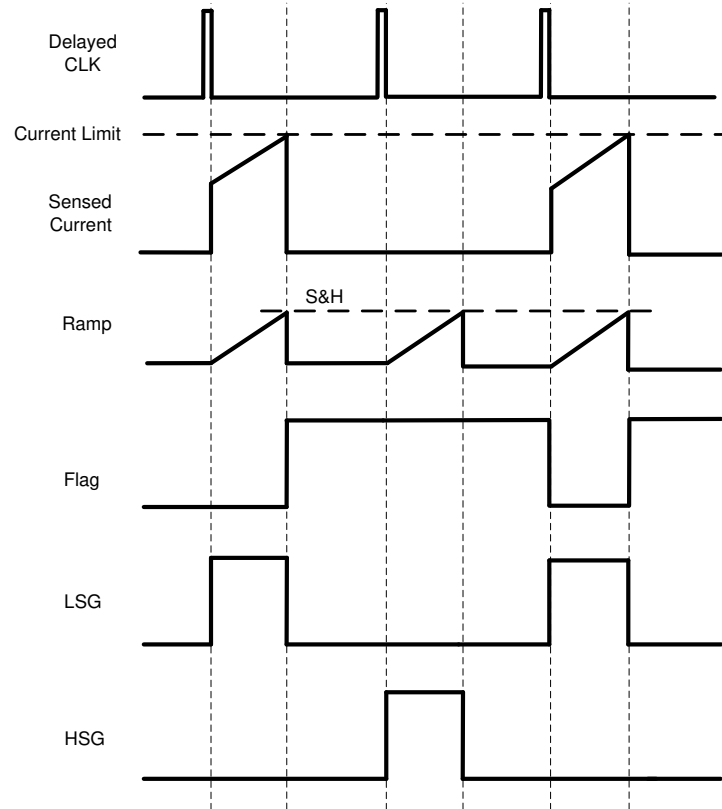
$$K_{CBC1} = V_{LIM} \times (K_{2a} \times K_{10b} - K_{10a})$$

(14)

Section 8.2.2.11 gives an example design process for calculating the CBC external resistor values. The [Excel Calculator Tool](#) can also be used to assist in the process of selecting these resistor values.

LM5036 ensures flux balance of the main transformer during CBC operation. The duty cycles of the two primary FETs are always matched. If the low-side FET is terminated due to a current limit event, a matched duty cycle will be applied to the high-side FET during the next half switching period, regardless of the current condition. The matched duty cycles ensure voltage-second balance of the transformer which prevents transformer saturation.

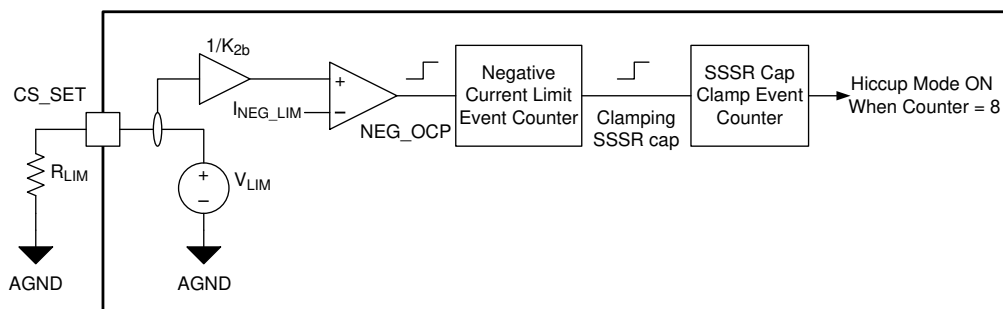
The pulse matching operation is illustrated in [Figure 7-14](#). When the current limit is reached during the low-side phase, a FLAG signal goes high. The RAMP signal is sampled at the rising edge of the FLAG signal and then held through the next half switching period for the high-side phase. When the high-side phase RAMP signal rises above the sampled value, the high-side PWM pulse is turned off so that the duty cycle are matched for both phases. In the meantime, the hiccup restart capacitor is charged with a current source  $I_{RES\_SRC1}$  (15- $\mu$ A typical) during CBC operation. The pulse matching feature is handled automatically by the LM5036 controller and requires no action from the designer.



**Figure 7-14. Pulse Matching Operation**

### 7.3.12 Reverse Current Protection

In addition to the CBC current limit, a negative current limit, which is set to be half of the positive current limit as shown in [Figure 7-15](#). This is used to prevent excessive reverse current which could cause significant output voltage dip and potentially damage the power converter. When the negative current limit is exceeded twice, the SSSR capacitor will be clamped to ground so the controller enters the SR SYNC mode where the SR pulses are synchronized to the respective primary FET pulses. Therefore, the SR freewheeling pulses are turned off. The negative current limit event counter will be reset if the number of negative current limit events detected within four switching periods is less than two.



**Figure 7-15. Reverse Current Protection Circuit**

At the trip threshold of the NEG comparator both inputs are at the same potential. In this case the voltage on the CS\_NEG pin is expressed by [Equation 15](#).

$$V_{CS\_NEG} = I_{CS\_SET} \times \frac{1}{K_{2b}} \times K_{10b} \times R_3 \quad (15)$$

The voltage across the CS resistor at the trip threshold of the NEG comparator can therefore be determined by combining Equation 9, Equation 11 and Equation 15.

$$V_{CS\_NEGTh} = R_1 \times \left( \frac{K_{CBC2}}{R_{LIM}} - \frac{V_{IN}}{R_2} - I_{SLOPE} \times t_{CSBLK} \times f_{osc} \right)$$

Where :

$$K_{2b} = 2$$

$$K_{CBC2} = V_{LIM} \times \left( \frac{1}{K_{2b}} \times K_{10b} - K_{10a} \right) \quad (16)$$

Notice that the inductor current has its most negative value at the start of the LSG on period. The NEG comparator trip will occur immediately after the blanking period ( $t_{CSBLK}$ ) has expired.

The [Excel Calculator Tool](#) predicts both the positive and negative output current limit levels as a function of input voltage for a given set of resistor values.

### 7.3.13 CBC Threshold Accuracy

The CBC current limit amplifier deployed within LM5036 is a precise component. In common with all such devices the input bias currents and input offset voltage will lead to small variations in the current trip threshold between parts and across temperature.

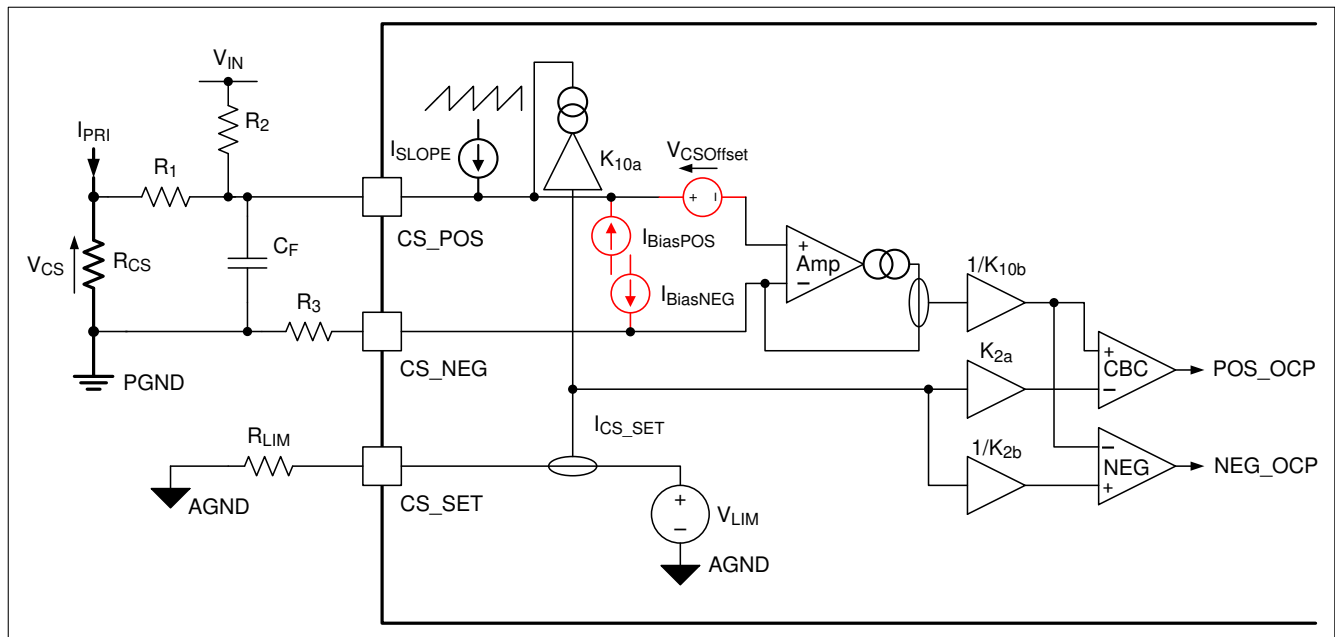


Figure 7-16. Diagram of Current Limiting Function with Error Terms Shown in Red

At its trip threshold the two inputs of the CBC comparator must be equal. At this condition the voltage on the  $CS\_NEG$  pin is given by Equation 17.

$$V_{CS\_NEG} = \left( \frac{V_{LIM}}{R_{LIM}} \times K_{2a} \times K_{10b} + I_{BiasNEG} \right) \times R_3 \quad (17)$$

The voltage drop across the ideal amplifier input must be zero. The voltage of the CS\_POS pin, at the trip threshold can be expressed as follows:

$$V_{CS\_POS} = V_{CS\_NEG} + V_{CSOffset} \quad (18)$$

$$V_{CS\_POS} = V_{CS\_CBCTh} + \left( \frac{V_{LIM}}{R_{LIM}} \times K_{10a} + I_{BiasPOS} + D \times I_{SLOPE} + \frac{V_{IN} - V_{CS\_POS}}{R_2} \right) \times R_1 \quad (19)$$

Combining [Equation 17](#), [Equation 18](#) and [Equation 19](#) and re-arranging gives an expression for the voltage across the current sense resistor at the trip threshold [Equation 20](#).

$$V_{CS\_CBCTh} = R_1 \times \left( \frac{K_{CBC1}}{R_{LIM}} - I_{BiasOffset} + \frac{V_{CSOffset}}{R_3} - D \times I_{SLOPE} - \frac{V_{IN}}{R_2} \right)$$

Where :

$$I_{BiasOffset} = I_{BiasPOS} - I_{BiasNEG}$$

(20)

Hence, for a given set of external component values, the variation in current trip threshold across parts and temperature can be found using data supplied in the Electrical Tables.

A short delay will exist ( $t_{CSLSG}$ ), after the CBC comparator inputs reach their trip threshold, before the LSG falling edge. During this delay the primary current will continue to ramp, giving rise to a further error in the apparent trip threshold. The peak primary current flowing when the low side MOSFET switches OFF ( $I_{PriCBC}$ ), is expressed by [Equation 21](#).

$$I_{PriCBC} = \frac{V_{CS\_CBCTh}}{R_{CS}} + t_{CSLSG} \times \left( \frac{1}{2} \times \left( \frac{V_{IN}}{L_{Mag}} + \frac{V_{IN}}{L_O \times N_{PS}^2} \right) - \frac{V_O}{L_O \times N_{PS}} \right) \quad (21)$$

The output current at which the primary peak current threshold is reached is expressed by [Equation 22](#).

$$I_{LIM} = N_{PS} \times \left[ I_{PriCBC} - \frac{\Delta I_{LO}}{N_{PS}} - \Delta I_{LMag} \right] \quad (22)$$

$\Delta I_{LO}$  is the amplitude of ripple current in the output inductor and is expressed in [Equation 23](#).

$$\Delta I_{LO} = \frac{V_O \times (1-D)}{2 \times L_O \times f_{OSC}} \quad (23)$$

$\Delta I_{LMag}$  is the amplitude of ripple current in the magnetising inductor and is expressed in [Equation 24](#).

$$\Delta I_{LMag} = \frac{V_{IN}}{2} \times \frac{D}{2 \times L_{Mag} \times f_{OSC}} = \frac{N_{PS} \times V_O}{2 \times L_{Mag} \times f_{OSC}} \quad (24)$$

Combining Equation 22, Equation 23 and Equation 24 gives an expression for output current limit as a function of primary current limit threshold Equation 25.

$$I_{LIM} = N_{PS} \times \left[ I_{PriCBC} - \frac{V_O \times (1-D)}{2 \times L_O \times f_{OSC} \times N_{PS}} - \frac{V_O \times N_{PS}}{2 \times L_{Mag} \times f_{OSC}} \right] \quad (25)$$

The Excel Calculator Tool can be used to evaluate the tolerance of output current limit.

### 7.3.14 Hiccup Mode Protection

A block diagram of the hiccup mode function is shown in Figure 7-17. Both the repetitive CBC and negative current limit events will trigger hiccup mode operation in LM5036 device.

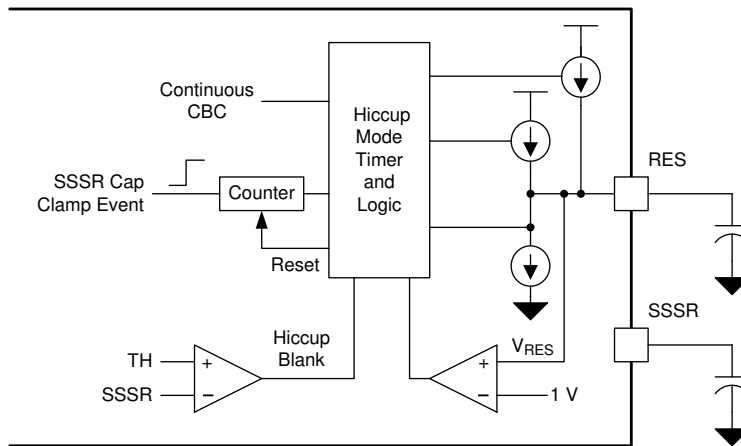


Figure 7-17. Hiccup Mode Circuitry

The device charges the hiccup restart capacitor with a current source  $I_{RES-SRC1}$  (15- $\mu$ A typical) during CBC operation. The hiccup mode is activated when  $V_{RES}$  exceeds 1 V. During hiccup mode operation, the SS and SSSR capacitors are fully discharged and the half-bridge converter remains off for a period of time ( $t_{HIC}$ ) before a new soft-start sequence is initiated.

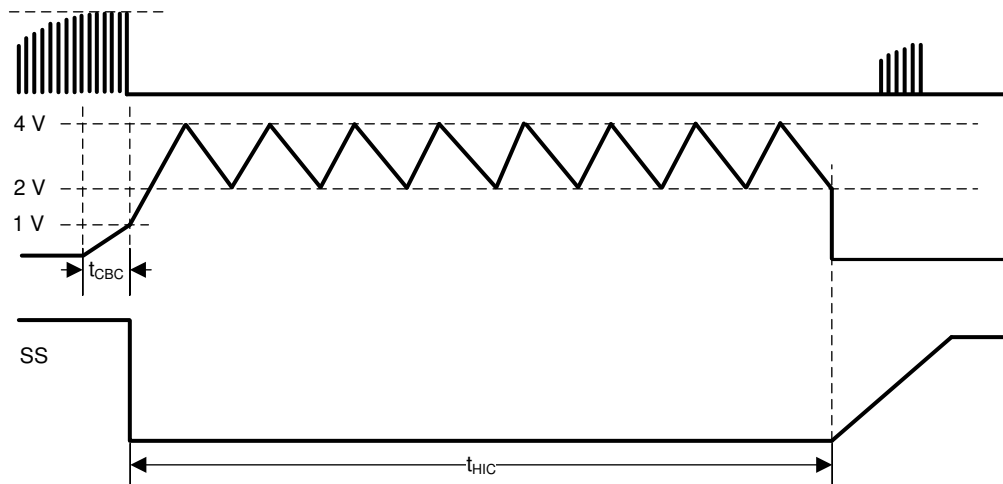


Figure 7-18. Hiccup Mode Activated By Continuous CBC Operation

Use Equation 26 to calculate the duration of CBC operation before entering the hiccup mode.

$$t_{\text{CBC}} = \frac{C_{\text{RES}} \times 1 \text{ V}}{I_{\text{RES-SRC1}}} \quad (26)$$

where

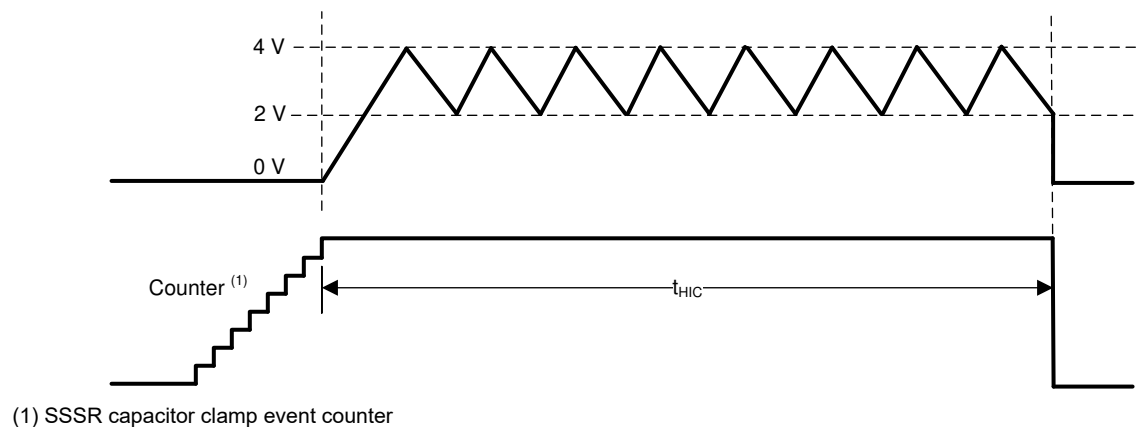
- $C_{\text{RES}}$  is the value of the hiccup capacitor

After the RES pin reaches 1.0-V, current source  $I_{\text{RES-SRC1}}$  (15- $\mu\text{A}$  typical) is turned off and current source  $I_{\text{RES-SRC2}}$  (30- $\mu\text{A}$  typical) is turned on which charges the RES capacitor to 4-V. Then current source  $I_{\text{RES-DIS2}}$  (5- $\mu\text{A}$  typical) is enabled which discharges the RES capacitor to 2-V.

Use Equation 27 to calculate the hiccup mode off-time.

$$t_{\text{HIC}} = \frac{C_{\text{RES}} \times 2 \text{ V} \times 8}{I_{\text{RES-DIS2}}} + \frac{C_{\text{RES}} \times (2 \text{ V} \times 8 + 1 \text{ V})}{I_{\text{RES-SRC2}}} \quad (27)$$

In addition to the repetitive CBC current limit condition, the device also enters hiccup mode if the SSSR capacitor is clamped for eight times due to repetitive negative current limit condition. The operating pattern of the hiccup mode activated by the negative current limit is similar to that activated by CBC current limit. The only difference is that at the beginning of the hiccup mode operation the RES capacitor is charged with current source  $I_{\text{RES-SRC2}}$  when activated by negative current limit as illustrated in Figure 7-19 whereas the RES capacitor is charged with current source  $I_{\text{RES-SRC1}}$  when activated by CBC current limit condition.



**Figure 7-19. Hiccup Mode Activated By Repetitive Negative OCP Condition**

Once the hiccup off-timer expires, the SSSR capacitor clamp event counter will be reset. If SSSR capacitor gets clamped for less than eight times before the SSSR capacitor voltage is fully ramped up to its maximum value, the SSSR capacitor clamp event counter will also be reset. This is because the fact that SSSR capacitor voltage is able to fully ramp up to its maximum value indicates that repetitive negative current limit condition no longer exists.

### 7.3.15 Hiccup Mode Blanking

In some application scenarios such as high output capacitance and/or heavy load, there can be excessive inrush current during the start-up process. This would trigger CBC current limit which in turn activates the hiccup mode operation, thereby causing the converter to keep attempting to restart. In LM5036 device, a hiccup mode blanking circuitry is implemented to disable the hiccup mode operation during the start-up. The hiccup capacitor is clamped to ground until the SSSR capacitor voltage rises above the hiccup blank threshold  $V_{\text{HC\_BLK\_TH}}$  (5.5-V typical).



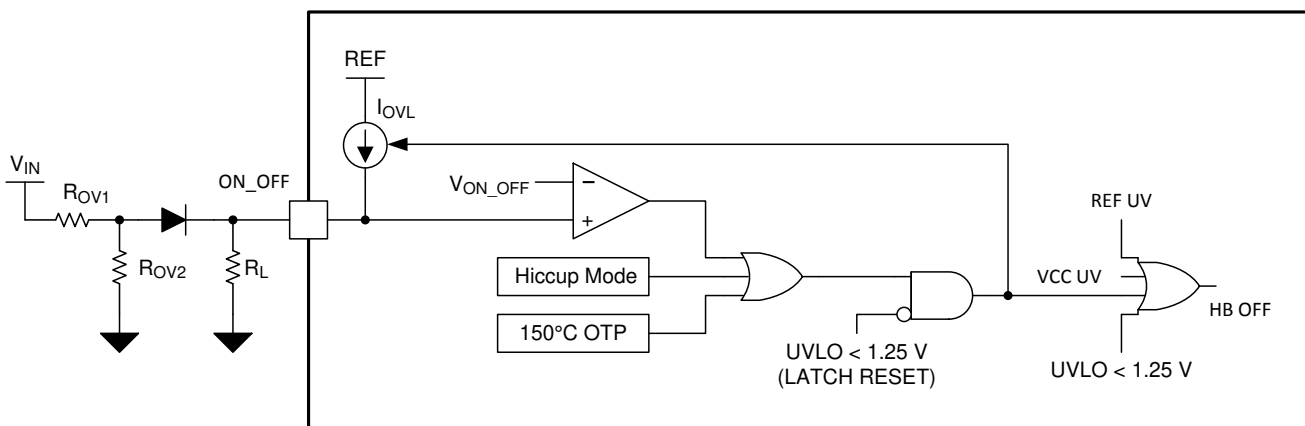
### 7.3.16 Over-Temperature Protection (OTP)

Two-level internal thermal shutdown circuitry is implemented in LM5036 device to protect the integrated circuit should its maximum rated junction temperature be exceeded. When the internal temperature is above the lower-level threshold of 150°C, the half-bridge converter is turned off and thereby the SS and SSSR capacitors are fully discharged.

Typically, the internal temperature should drop after the main half-bridge converter is turned off. However, if the temperature continues to rise above the higher-level threshold of 160°C, the auxiliary supply will be disabled in order to prevent the device from catastrophic failure due to accidental device overheating. Note that the internal VCC and REF bias regulators still remain active during thermal shutdown to provide the bias power for the external house-keeping circuitry.

### 7.3.17 Over-Voltage / Latch (ON\_OFF Pin)

The ON\_OFF pin can be configured as a latch pin or OVP pin. In the latch configuration, the half-bridge converter remains off even after the faults are cleared. A new soft-start sequence will not be initiated until the latch is reset. One latch configuration is illustrated in Figure 7-20 where a large latch resistor  $R_L$  (for example, 50 k $\Omega$ ) and a diode are tied to the ON\_OFF pin.



**Figure 7-20. ON/OFF Pin Latch Function**

When any of the faults is detected including OVP, hiccup mode OCP and 150 °C OTP, the ON\_OFF pin current source,  $I_{OVL}$  (50- $\mu$ A typical), is activated, that raises the ON\_OFF pin voltage quickly. As a result, the latch diode is reverse biased. The current source  $I_{OVL}$  remains active even if the fault is cleared because the ON\_OFF pin voltage is latched above  $V_{ON\_OFF}$  (1.25-V typical). To reset the latch operation, simply pulling down the UVLO pin voltage below  $V_{ON\_OFF}$  disables the current source and thus the ON\_OFF pin voltage falls quickly. A new soft-start sequence will be initiated as soon as the latch is reset and the faults are cleared.

Use Equation 28 to design the external voltage divider in latch mode.

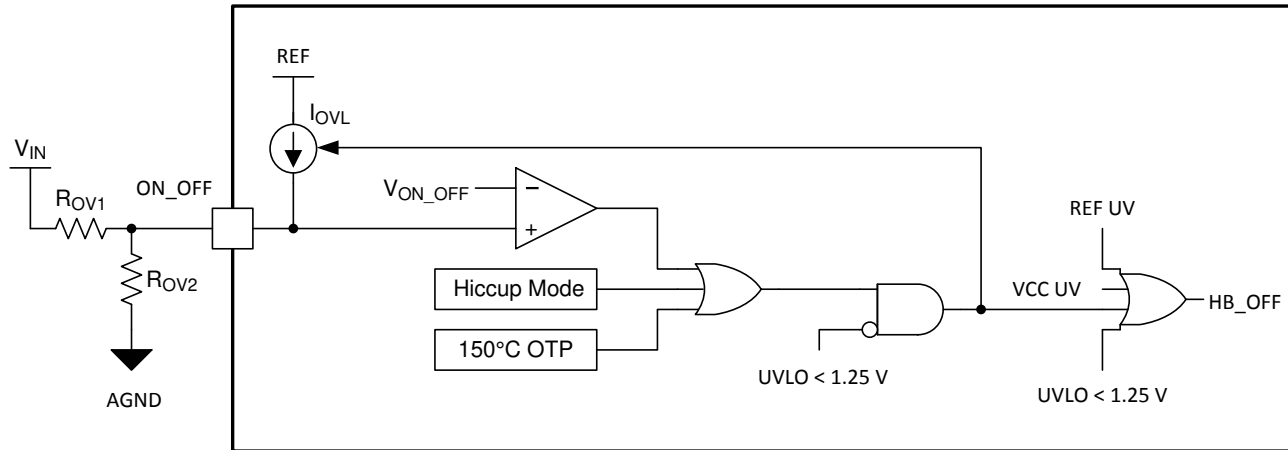
$$V_{IN\_L} = \left( \frac{V_{ON\_OFF} + V_F}{R_{OV2}} + \frac{V_{ON\_OFF}}{R_L} \right) \times R_{OV1} + V_{ON\_OFF} + V_F \quad (28)$$

where

- $V_F$  is the forward voltage drop of the latch diode
- $V_{IN\_L}$  is the desired input voltage latch threshold, and  $R_L$  is the latch resistor.

Note that the current source  $I_{OVL}$  does not provide any hysteresis when ON\_OFF pin is configured in latch mode.

The ON\_OFF pin can also be configured as an OVP pin as shown in Figure 7-21. In this configuration, the external voltage divider should be designed such that the ON\_OFF pin voltage is greater than  $V_{ON\_OFF}$  when an over-voltage condition occurs.



**Figure 7-21. ON/OFF Pin Configured as OVP Pin**

The OVP hysteresis is accomplished with the  $I_{OVL}$  current source. When the ON\_OFF pin voltage exceeds  $V_{ON\_OFF}$ , the  $I_{OVL}$  current source is activated which quickly raises the voltage at the pin. The half-bridge converter is turned off and the SS and SSSR capacitors are fully discharged. When the ON\_OFF pin voltage falls below  $V_{ON\_OFF}$ , the current source is deactivated causing the voltage at the pin to quickly fall followed by a new soft-start sequence. In addition to the OVP fault, hiccup mode and internal 150-°C thermal shutdown faults will also cause the half-bridge converter to turn off. Once the faults are cleared, a new soft-start sequence automatically begins. Because the hiccup mode or 150-°C thermal shutdown fault also activates the current source, it is important to make sure that the ON\_OFF pin voltage doesn't rise above  $V_{ON\_OFF}$  when the input voltage is high, which otherwise would lead to latch operation. Avoid this scenario by selecting a proper voltage divider.

Use Equation 29 and Equation 30 to select the voltage divider for the OVP configuration.

$$R_{OV1} = \frac{V_{HYS(OVP)}}{I_{OVL}} \quad (29)$$

where

- $V_{HYS(OVP)}$  is the OVP hysteresis

$$R_{OV2} = \frac{V_{ON\_OFF} \times R_{OV1}}{V_{IN(OFF)} - V_{ON\_OFF}} \quad (30)$$

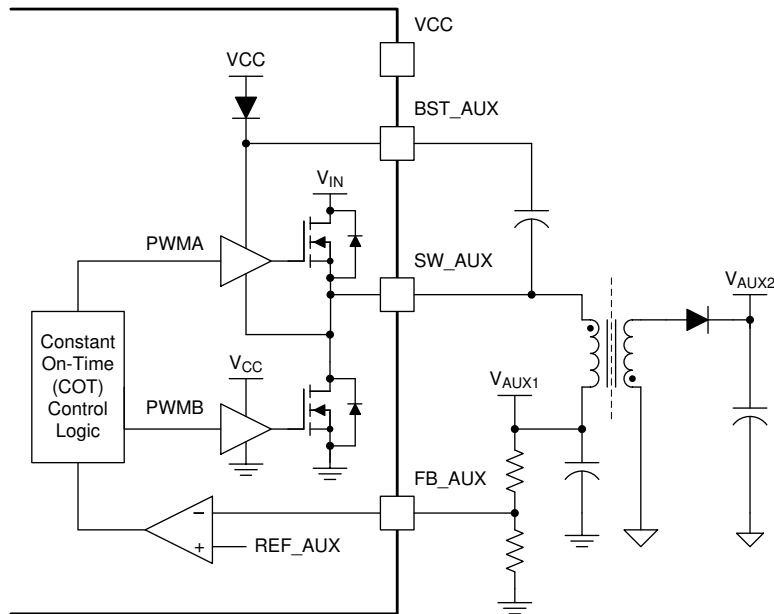
where

- $V_{IN(OFF)}$  is the OVP rising threshold

### 7.3.18 Auxiliary Constant On-Time Control

Figure 7-22 shows a block diagram of the constant on-time (COT) controlled fly-buck converter. The LM5036 device integrates an N-channel high-side MOSFET and associated high-voltage gate driver. The gate driver circuit works in conjunction with an external bootstrap capacitor and an internal high voltage diode. A 0.01- $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor connected between the BST\_AUX pin and SW\_AUX pin provides the voltage to the driver during the on-time. During each off-time, the SW\_AUX pin is at approximately 0-V, and the bootstrap capacitor charges from VCC through the internal diode. The minimum off-timer ensures a minimum time in each cycle to recharge the bootstrap capacitor. The LM5036 device also provides an internal N-channel SR MOSFET and associated driver. This MOSFET provides a path for the inductor current to flow when the high-side MOSFET is turned off.

The integrated auxiliary supply employs constant on-time (COT) hysteretic control which provides excellent transient response and ease of use. The control principle is based on a comparator and a one-shot on-timer, with the output voltage feedback (FB\_AUX) compared to an internal reference. If the feedback voltage is below the reference the internal buck switch is switched on for the one-shot timer period, which is a function of the input voltage and the on-time resistor (R<sub>ON</sub>). Following the on-time the switch remains off until the FB\_AUX voltage falls below the reference, and the forced minimum off-time has expired. When the feedback voltage falls below the reference and the minimum off-time one-shot period expires, the high-side buck switch is then turned on for another on-time one-shot period. This will continue until regulation is achieved.



**Figure 7-22. COT Controlled Fly-Buck Auxiliary Supply Circuitry**

In a fly-buck converter, the low-side SR MOSFET is on when the high-side switch is off. The inductor current ramps up when the high-side switch is on and ramps down when the low-side switch is on.

The switching frequency remains relatively constant with load and line variations. Use [Equation 31](#) to calculate the switching frequency of the auxiliary supply.

$$f_{SW\_AUX} = \frac{V_{AUX1}}{9 \times 10^{-11} \times R_{ON}} \quad (31)$$

where

- V<sub>AUX1</sub> is the primary output voltage of the auxiliary supply.

Two external resistor values set the value of V<sub>AUX1</sub>. This regulation of the output voltage depends on ripple voltage at the feedback input, requiring a minimum amount of ESR for the output capacitor (C<sub>AUX1</sub>). A minimum of 25-mV of ripple voltage at the feedback pin is required for stable operation of the auxiliary supply. The [Section 7.3.22](#) section describes auxiliary ripple circuit configuration.

### 7.3.19 Auxiliary On-Time Generator

The on-time for the auxiliary supply is determined by the resistor R<sub>ON</sub>, and is inversely proportional to the input voltage, resulting in a nearly constant switching frequency as the input voltage is varied over its entire range. [Figure 7-23](#) shows the block diagram for the on-time generator.

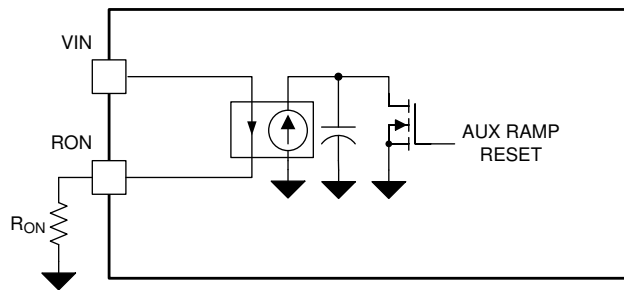


Figure 7-23. On-Time Generator

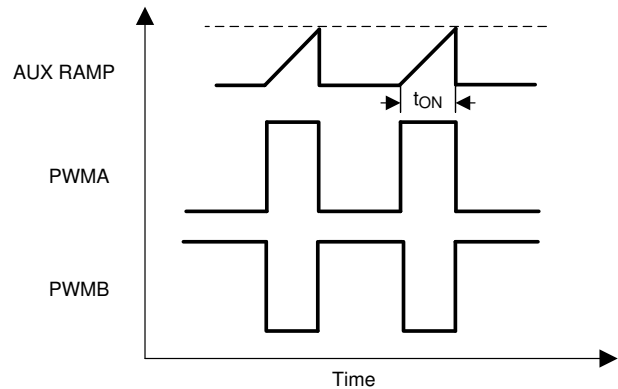


Figure 7-24. Constant On-Time Control Waveform

A current source, which is a function of the input voltage and the  $R_{ON}$  resistor value, charges a capacitor. The capacitor voltage ramps up linearly and gets reset when it reaches the threshold.

Use Equation 32 to calculate the on time  $t_{ON}$  of the high-side switch.

$$t_{ON} = \frac{9 \times 10^{-11} \times R_{ON}}{V_{IN}} \quad (32)$$

### 7.3.20 Auxiliary Supply Current Limiting

The LM5036 controller contains an intelligent current limit off-timer for the auxiliary supply. If the current in the high-side switch exceeds  $I_{AUX(LIM)}$  (200-mA typical), both the high-side MOSFET and the low-side SR are immediately turned off, and a non-resettable off-timer is initiated. The length of the off-time is a function of the  $V_{FB\_AUX}$  pin voltage and the input voltage  $V_{IN}$ . As an example, when  $V_{FB\_AUX} = 0$  V and  $V_{IN} = 48$  V, a maximum off-time is set to 16  $\mu$ s. This condition occurs when the output is shorted, and during the initial phase of start-up. This amount of time ensures safe short-circuit operation up to the maximum input voltage of 100 V.

In cases of overload where the  $V_{FB\_AUX}$  voltage is above zero volts (not a short circuit) the current limit off-time is reduced. Reducing the off-time during less severe overloads reduces the amount of foldback, recovery time, and start-up time. The current limit off-time is calculated from Equation 33.

$$t_{OFF(ILIM)} = \frac{(0.07 \times V_{IN})}{V_{FB\_AUX} + 0.2 \text{ V}} \mu\text{s} \quad (33)$$

Because the current limit protection feature of the auxiliary supply is peak limited, the maximum average output is less than the peak.

To prevent excessive reverse current during the off-time of the current limit, the auxiliary supply operates in asynchronous (ASYNC) mode where the low-side SR is turned off during current limit operation. The body diode of the internal low-side MOSFET (QB) incurs significant power loss during asynchronous operation. TI recommends adding an external schottky diode ( $D_{FW}$ ) between the PGND and SW\_AUX pins to ensure robust and efficient current limit operation. This schottky diode is particularly important when operating from high input voltage. Use an external schottky diode ( $D_{FW}$ ) that is rated to carry the maximum auxiliary current and block the maximum input voltage ( $V_{IN(max)}$ ).

For high density designs it is desirable to use an auxiliary transformer with low magnetising inductance and saturation current. The peak magnetising current flowing in the auxiliary transformer can exceed  $I_{AUX(LIM)}$  due to delays in the peak current detection and comparator circuit. The actual peak magnetising current reached is a function of the maximum slope of the transformer magnetising current. This behavior depends upon both maximum input voltage  $V_{IN(max)}$  and magnetising inductance value. The method outlined below allows designers to estimate the peak magnetising current that will flow in the Aux transformer ( $I_{LPK}$ ).

As illustrated in Figure 7-25, it is convenient to model the internal current sense circuit as a simple RC time constant,  $\tau_{\text{AuxSns}}$  (41-ns typical), that delays the sensed current signal presented to the OCP comparator input. There is a further delay  $t_{\text{Aux(LIM)}}$  (116-ns typical), after the comparator input reaches its trip threshold before the OCPb fault flag is set. The controller applies this extended off time,  $t_{\text{OFF(ILIM)}}$ , only if the OCPb fault flag is set before the COT ( $t_{\text{ON}}$ ) period ends. Equation 34 is an expression for the sensed and delayed magnetising current inductor signal applied to the non-inverting input of the OCP comparator.

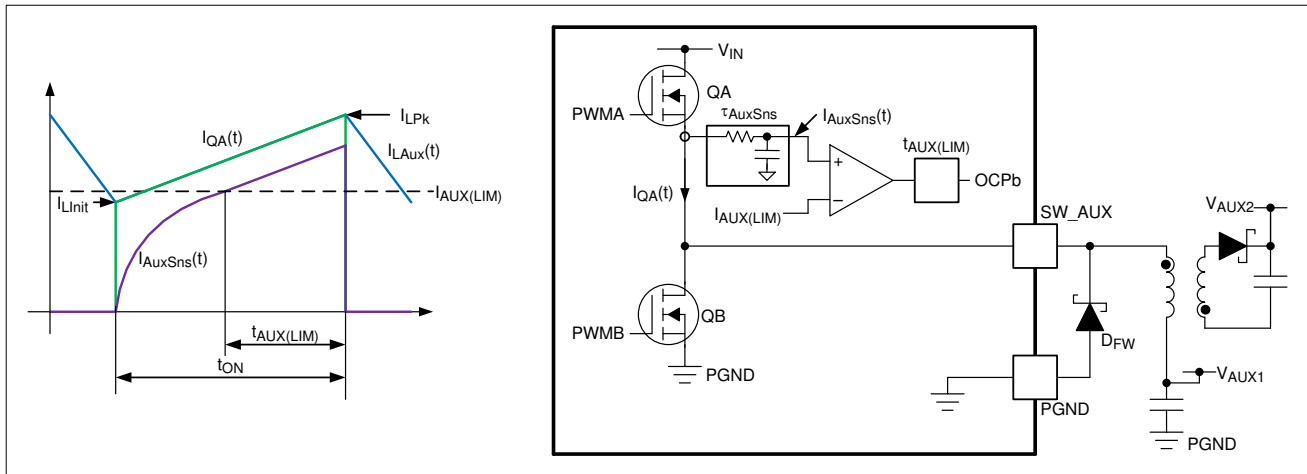


Figure 7-25. Aux Current Limit Circuit Model

$$I_{\text{AuxSns}}(t) = (I_{\text{LInit}} - m_{\text{Aux}} \times \tau_{\text{AuxSns}}) \times \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_{\text{AuxSns}}}} \right) + m_{\text{Aux}} \times t \quad (34)$$

where

- $m_{\text{Aux}}$  is the slope of Aux transformer magnetising inductor current during QA on period
- $\tau_{\text{AuxSns}}$  is the time constant of the internal current sensing circuit feeding the OCP comparator

Maximum peak current occurs when the magnetising inductor current slope has its highest value. This peak occurs at start-up, or when a short circuit is applied across the  $V_{\text{Aux1}}$  output, while operating from maximum input voltage ( $V_{\text{IN(max)}}$ ). The maximum inductor current slope is given by Equation 35.

$$m_{\text{Aux}} = \frac{V_{\text{IN(max)}}}{L_{\text{AUX}}} \quad (35)$$

where

- $L_{\text{AUX}}$  is the magnetising inductance of the Aux transformer

For a use case where the inductor current slope is fixed at its maximum value ( $m_{\text{Aux}}$ ), the highest peak current occurs when the inductor current at the start of the pulse ( $I_{\text{LInit}}$ ) is just high enough to trip the OCPb flag before the COT period ( $t_{\text{ON}}$ ) expires. After this trip occurs, the controller applies the extended OFF period ( $t_{\text{OFF(ILIM)}}$ ) to reduce the inductor current for subsequent pulses. This condition is given in Equation 36 and is shown graphically in Figure 7-25

$$I_{\text{AuxSns}}(t_{\text{ON}} - t_{\text{Aux(LIM)}}) = I_{\text{Aux(LIM)}} \quad (36)$$

where

- $t_{AUX(LIM)}$  is the time delay between comparator input threshold being achieved and the OCPb flag set

Combining Equation 34 and Equation 36 determines the initial inductor current for a pulse containing the highest peak current Equation 37.

$$I_{Linit} = \frac{I_{AUX(LIM)} - m_{AUX} \times (t_{ON} - t_{AUX(LIM)})}{1 - e^{-\frac{-(t_{ON} - t_{AUX(LIM)})}{\tau_{AUXSns}}}} + m_{AUX} \times \tau_{AUXSns} \quad (37)$$

Equation 38 uses the COT period in Equation 37 for the maximum input voltage.

$$t_{ON} = \frac{K_{ON} \times R_{ON}}{V_{IN(max)}} \quad (38)$$

where

- $K_{ON}$  ( $9 \times 10^{-11}$  typical) is an internal constant that defines the COT period for a given  $V_{IN}$  and  $R_{ON}$

Having calculated  $I_{Linit}$  the estimated peak inductor current is given by Equation 39.

$$I_{LPk} = I_{Linit} + m_{AUX} \times t_{ON} \quad (39)$$

Use this method to ensure that the operation does not exceed the Aux transformer saturation current under transient or fault conditions. This method assumes fixed transformer magnetising inductance. The method provides only a reasonable accuracy if the transformer magnetising inductance has not fallen significantly at the predicted peak current.

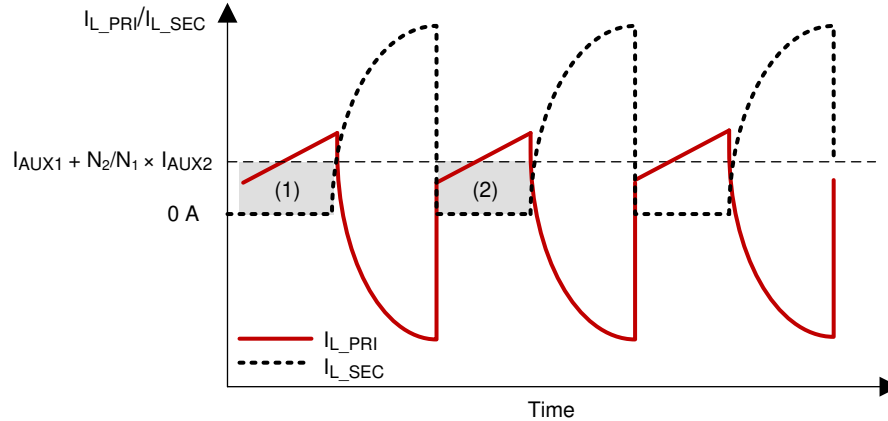
To avoid excessive peak magnetising current during transient or fault events, ensure that the COT period ( $t_{ON}$ ) is longer than the response time of the peak current protection circuit. Equation 40 expresses it as a minimum required value for  $R_{ON}$ .

$$R_{ON} \geq \frac{(\tau_{AUXSns} + t_{AUX(LIM)}) \times 1.2}{K_{ON}} \times V_{IN(max)} = V_{IN(max)} \times 2.09 \text{ k}\Omega \quad (40)$$

### 7.3.21 Auxiliary Primary Output Capacitor Ripple

Equation 41 describes the output ripple voltage amplitude for a buck converter. This equation may be used if there is no secondary winding or if the current supplied by  $V_{AUX2}$  is small compared with that supplied by  $V_{AUX1}$  ( $I_{AUX1} \gg I_{AUX2}$ ). Equation 41 neglects capacitor ESR and therefore calculates only the capacitive component of output voltage ripple.

$$\Delta V_{AUX1Cap} = \frac{\Delta I_{L(AUX)}}{2 \times f_{SW\_AUX} \times C_{AUX1}} \quad (41)$$



**Figure 7-26. Auxiliary Transformer Current Waveform for  $C_{AUX1}$  Ripple Calculation**

Figure 7-26 shows the flyback primary and secondary winding current waveforms  $I_{L\_PRI}$  and  $I_{L\_SEC}$ . The reflected secondary winding current adds to the primary winding current during the off-time of the high-side switch. Due to this increased current, the output voltage ripple is not the same as in a conventional buck converter. In this case the average current flowing into  $C_{AUX1}$  during the  $t_{ON}$  period is the reflected secondary current. Hence Equation 42 can be used to calculate  $\Delta V_{AUX1Cap}$ , the voltage ripple across the primary side capacitor, for the more typical case when the secondary current cannot be neglected. Notice that Equation 42 neglects capacitor ESR and therefore calculates only the capacitive component of ripple voltage amplitude.

$$\Delta V_{AUX1Cap} = \frac{I_{AUX2} \times \frac{N_2}{N_1} \times t_{ON(max)}}{2 \times C_{AUX1}} \quad (42)$$

### 7.3.22 Auxiliary Ripple Configuration and Control

The voltage ripple across the output capacitor  $C_{AUX1}$  is made up of two components:

- Resistive ripple appears across the equivalent series resistance (ESR) of the output capacitor. This component of ripple is in phase with the inductor current and is  $90^\circ$  delayed compared with the applied PWM signal.
- Capacitive ripple appears across the ideal capacitor. This component of ripple is  $90^\circ$  delayed compared with the inductor current ripple and  $180^\circ$  delayed compared with the applied PWM signal.

With COT control, the on-time of the high-side FET is terminated by an on-timer, and the off-time is terminated when the feedback voltage  $V_{FB\_AUX}$  falls below the reference voltage ( $V_{AUX-ON}$ ). For a buck topology this type of hysteretic control provides stable operation if these two conditions are met:

- Output voltage ripple is dominated by the resistive ESR component. The resistive ripple amplitude must be approximately five times the capacitive ripple amplitude to guarantee stable operation.
- Output voltage ripple amplitude present at the  $FB\_AUX$  pin must be greater than noise coupled onto this pin from other sources. For an output voltage ripple amplitude of 25 mV at the  $FB\_AUX$  pin ensures that other sources of noise coupled to the pin can be assumed small

Aux transformer magnetising inductor ripple current amplitude is expressed by Equation 43.

$$\Delta I_{L(AUX)} = \frac{V_{AUX1}}{2 \times L_{AUX}} \times \left( \frac{1}{f_{SW\_AUX}} - t_{ON} \right) = \frac{K_{ON} \times R_{ON}}{2 \times L_{AUX}} \times \left( 1 - \frac{V_{AUX1}}{V_{IN}} \right) \quad (43)$$

For a buck converter the capacitive component of output voltage ripple amplitude is expressed by Equation 41. The resistive component of output ripple voltage amplitude is expressed by Equation 44.

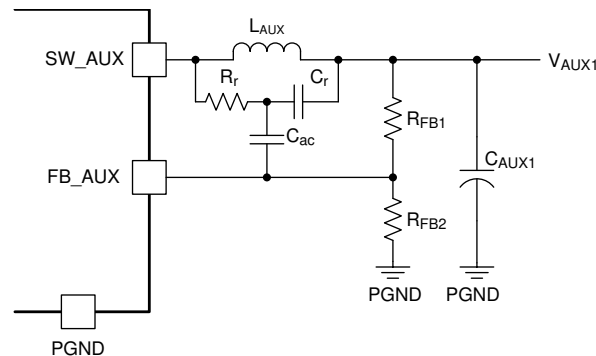
$$\Delta V_{AUX1Res} = \Delta I_{L(AUX)} \times R_{ESr} \quad (44)$$

Our condition for stable operation requires that [Equation 45](#) and [Equation 46](#) are both satisfied.

$$\Delta V_{AUX1Res} \geq 5 \times \Delta V_{AUX1Cap} \quad (45)$$

$$\Delta V_{AUX1Res} \geq 25 - \text{mV} \quad (46)$$

The method outlined above allows us to calculate the resistance ( $R_{ESr}$ ) that must be present in series with the output capacitor ( $C_{AUX1}$ ) to provide stable operation of a buck converter. This simple method has disadvantages of high output voltage ripple amplitude and high dissipation in the series resistor  $R_{ESr}$ . The method is also not ideal for a flyback topology, especially if most of the load current is drawn from the secondary winding. In this case much of the magnetising inductor current flows into the secondary output capacitor ( $C_{AUX2}$ ) and not the primary output capacitor ( $C_{AUX1}$ ) during the low-side FET conduction period ( $t_{OFF}$ ). The circuit of [Figure 7-27](#) provides a better solution that is well suited to the flyback topology. A series branch  $R_r - C_r$  is connected across  $L_{AUX}$ . The controller applies the same PWM voltage across this series branch as appears across  $L_{AUX}$ . Assuming most of the PWM voltage is dropped across  $R_r$ , the voltage across  $C_r$  has the almost the same shape and phase as the inductor current. The voltage ripple across  $C_r$  can be used to substitute the voltage across  $R_{ESr}$  and thus provide stable operation without the need for high output ripple and dissipation. By coupling this capacitor voltage signal directly to the FB\_AUX pin we can achieve the same result as a large ESR resistor, but without the penalty of dissipation and high output voltage ripple amplitude. The method is suitable for a flyback topology, since the down-slope of the magnetising current is synthesised, across  $C_r$ , and therefore available on the primary side to couple onto the FB\_AUX pin.



**Figure 7-27. Minimum Ripple Configuration**

The impedance of the capacitor generating the synthesised inductor current ripple signal, at the Aux switching frequency ( $f_{SW\_AUX}$ ), must be low compared with the impedance of the  $R_{FBX}$  divider network.

$$C_r > \frac{3}{2 \times \pi \times f_{SW\_AUX}} \times \frac{R_{FB1} + R_{FB2}}{R_{FB1} \times R_{FB2}} \quad (47)$$

The synthesised inductor ripple, generated across  $C_r$ , is added to the ripple across the output capacitor ( $C_{AUX1}$ ). The resultant signal is coupled to the FB\_AUX pin via capacitor  $C_{ac}$ . The value of series resistor  $R_r$  is chosen to ensure the synthesised resistive ripple amplitude satisfies [Equation 45](#) giving [Equation 48](#).

$$R_r \leq \frac{K_{ON} \times R_{ON}}{10 \times C_r \times \Delta V_{AUX1Cap}} \times \left( 1 - \frac{V_{AUX1}}{V_{IN(min)}} \right) \quad (48)$$



Capacitor  $C_{ac}$  couples the ripple signal directly onto the FB\_AUX pin. Ensure that the value of this capacitor is at least five times greater than the value of  $C_r$ . This ratio ensures minimum attenuation and phase shift of the coupled ripple signal.

$$C_{ac} \geq 5 \times C_r \tag{49}$$

### 7.3.23 Asynchronous Mode Operation of Auxiliary Supply

In LM5036 device, there are two conditions where the auxiliary supply will enter asynchronous (ASYNCR) mode operation where the low-side SR is turned off and only its body diode is allowed to conduct. The first condition is when the half-bridge converter is turned off (Refer to the [Section 7.4](#) section). This helps to reduce the power consumption of the auxiliary supply at light loads. As described in the [Section 7.3.20](#) section, the auxiliary supply will also be forced to operate at ASYNCR mode during current limit operation to prevent excessive reverse current.

## 7.4 Device Functional Modes

The functional modes of the device are summarized in the following table. Faults include hiccup mode OCP, OVP, and 150°C OTP.

**Table 7-1. Device Functional Modes**

CRITERIA	VCC AND REF REGULATORS	AUXILIARY SUPPLY	HALF-BRIDGE CONVERTER
$UVLO < V_{SD}$	OFF	OFF	OFF
$(V_{SD} < UVLO < V_{UVLO}) \& (V_{IN} < V_{AUX\_UVLO})$	ON	OFF	OFF
$(V_{SD} < UVLO < V_{UVLO}) \& (VCC \& REF > UV) \& (V_{IN} > V_{AUX\_UVLO})$	ON	ON at ASYNCR Mode	OFF
$(UVLO > V_{UVLO}) \& (V_{IN} > V_{AUX\_UVLO}) \& (VCC \& REF > UV) \& \text{No Faults}$	ON	ON at SYNC Mode	ON
$(UVLO > V_{UVLO}) \& (V_{IN} > V_{AUX\_UVLO}) \& (VCC \& REF > UV) \& \text{Any Faults}$	ON	ON at ASYNCR Mode	OFF
$(VCC \& REF > UV) \& (V_{IN} > V_{AUX\_UVLO}) \& \text{AUX Current Limit}$	ON	ON at ASYNCR Mode	NA

## 8 Application and Implementation

### Note

Information in the following applications sections is not part of the TI component specification, and TI does not warrant its accuracy or completeness. TI's customers are responsible for determining suitability of components for their purposes, as well as validating and testing their design implementation to confirm system functionality.

### 8.1 Application Information

The LM5036 device is a highly integrated half-bridge PWM controller that contains all the features necessary for implementing the half-bridge topology power converters using voltage-mode control with input voltage feed-forward. The device targets isolated DC-DC converter applications with input voltage of up to 100 V<sub>DC</sub>.

### 8.2 Typical Application

The following schematic shows an example of an isolated half-bridge DC-DC converter controlled by LM5036 device. The operating input voltage range is 36-V to 75-V, and the output voltage is 12-V. The maximum load current is 8-A and the output current limit is configured to be 10-A.

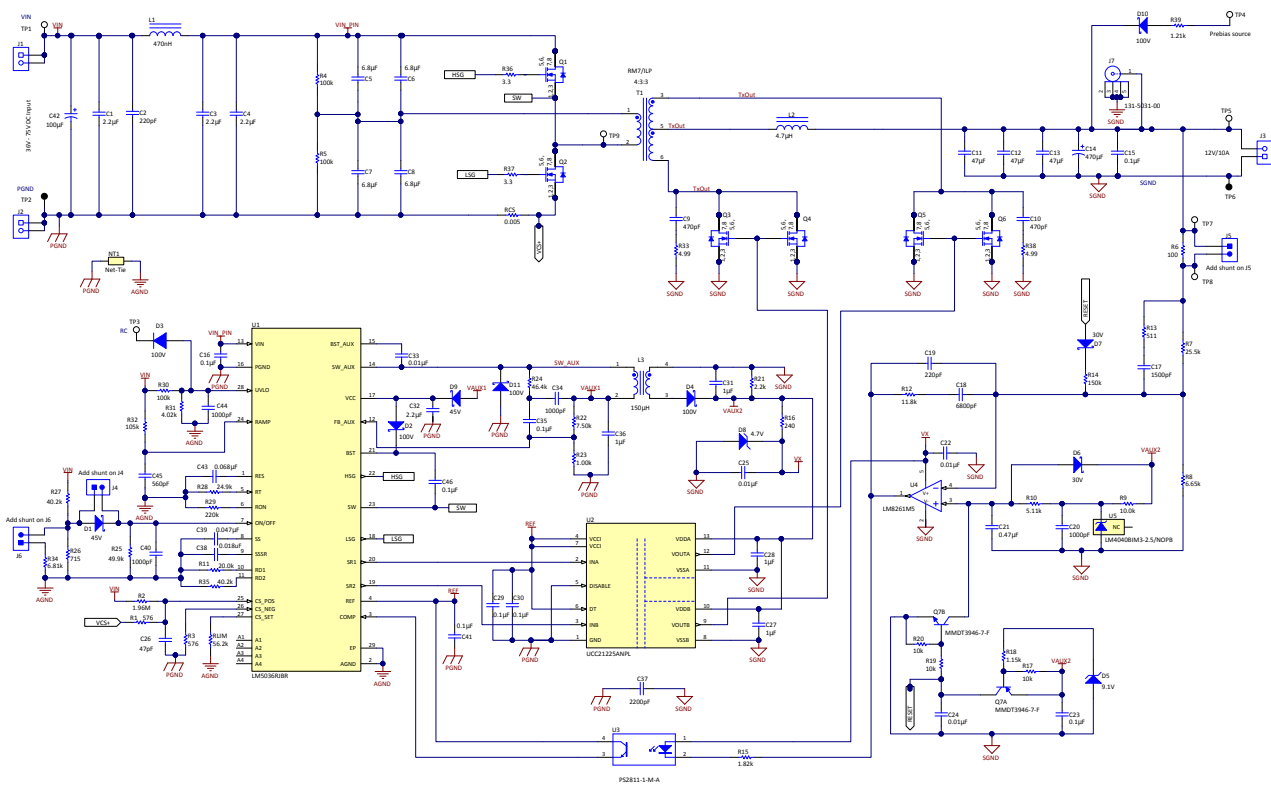


Figure 8-1. Evaluation Board Schematic

## 8.2.1 Design Requirements

PARAMETER		VALUE
$V_{IN}$	Input voltage	36 V to 75 V
$V_O$	Output voltage	12 V
$I_O$ (max)	Maximum load current	8 A
$I_{LIM}$	Output current limit	10 A
$\eta$	Peak efficiency	94.4 %
	Efficiency at $V_{IN} = 48$ V and $I_O = 8$ A	93.5 %
$V_{AUX1-OFF}$	Off-state auxiliary output voltage	11.9 V
$V_{AUX1-ON}$	On-state auxiliary output voltage	8.5 V
	Load regulation	0.2%
	Line regulation	0.1%
	Line UVLO rising threshold	34 V
	Line UVLO falling threshold	32 V
	Line OVP rising threshold	80 V
	Line OVP falling threshold	78 V
	Latch threshold	80 V
$I_{AUX(max)}$	Maximum load current for auxiliary supply	100 mA

## 8.2.2 Detailed Design Procedure

The [Excel Calculator Tool](#) can be used to assist with selecting both power stage and controller setup components.

### 8.2.2.1 Custom Design With WEBENCH® Tools

[Click here](#) to create a custom design using the LM5036 device with the WEBENCH® Power Designer.

1. Start by entering the input voltage ( $V_{IN}$ ), output voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ ), and output current ( $I_{OUT}$ ) requirements.
2. Optimize the design for key parameters such as efficiency, footprint, and cost using the optimizer dial.
3. Compare the generated design with other possible solutions from Texas Instruments.

The WEBENCH Power Designer provides a customized schematic along with a list of materials with real-time pricing and component availability.

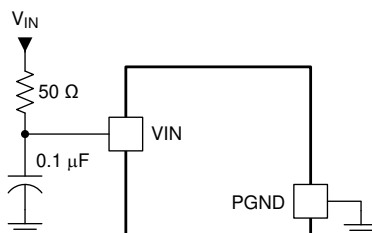
In most cases, these actions are available:

- Run electrical simulations to see important waveforms and circuit performance
- Run thermal simulations to understand board thermal performance
- Export customized schematic and layout into popular CAD formats
- Print PDF reports for the design, and share the design with colleagues

Get more information about WEBENCH tools at [www.ti.com/WEBENCH](http://www.ti.com/WEBENCH).

### 8.2.2.2 Input Transient Protection

The voltage applied to the VIN pin of LM5036 device serves as the input voltage for the internal VCC startup regulator and auxiliary supply. In typical applications, the VIN pin voltage is the same as the input voltage for the main half-bridge converter. The recommended range of the VIN pin voltage is 18-V to 100-V. [Figure 8-2](#) shows the recommended filter to suppress transients that may occur at the input supply. This suppression is particularly important when the input voltage rises to a level near the maximum recommended operating rating (100-V) of the LM5036 device.



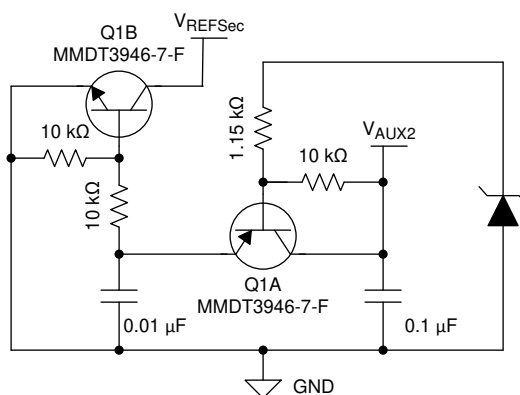
**Figure 8-2. Input Transient Protection**

### 8.2.2.3 Level-Shift Detection Circuit

An example implementation of the  $V_{AUX2}$  level-shift detection circuit is shown in [Figure 8-3](#). The zener voltage must be between the off-state and on-state level of  $V_{AUX2}$ . When  $V_{AUX2}$  is above the zener voltage, both Q1A and Q1B are turned on and therefore the reference output voltage  $V_{REFSec}$  is clamped to ground. Once  $V_{AUX2}$  falls below the zener voltage, both Q1A and Q1B are turned off, and the reference is released.

Designers who wish to benefit from the fully regulated pre-biased startup feature of LM5036 must use separate voltage reference and error amplifier devices. Popular combined error amplifier and voltage reference devices, such as TL431, can be used only when the fully regulated pre-biased startup feature is not required.

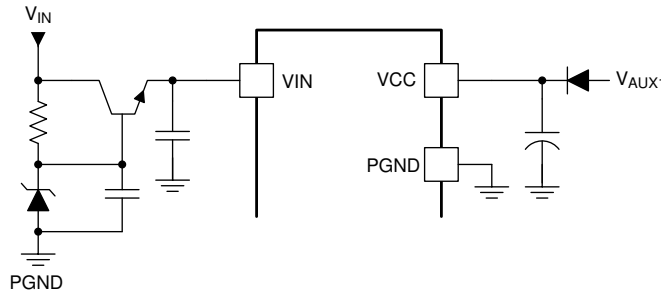
Assistance with half-bridge voltage control loop design may be obtained using the [Power Stage Designer™](#) tool.



**Figure 8-3. Secondary Auxiliary Voltage Level-Shift Detection Circuit**

### 8.2.2.4 Applications with $V_{IN} > 100\text{-V}$

For applications where the input voltage exceeds 100-V, all of the 100V-rated internal circuit blocks, including VCC start-up regulator, auxiliary supply and half-bridge gate drivers, need to be bypassed, or powered from a reduced voltage. In this case, VIN pin can be powered from an external start-up regulator, as shown in [Figure 8-4](#). If pre-biased start-up is required the integrated flyback aux circuit should be used from the reduced VIN pin voltage to supply the secondary control circuit. If pre-biased start-up is not required, the bias supply  $V_{AUX1}$ , can be derived from an external auxiliary supply. An external gate driver with higher voltage rating should be used to drive the half bridge.



**Figure 8-4. External Start-Up Regulator**

### 8.2.2.5 Applications without Pre-Biased Start-Up Requirement

For applications where the pre-biased startup is not required, the level-shift detection circuit described in the [Section 7.3.9](#) section is not necessary. Without the level-shift detection circuit, the reference voltage on the secondary side would be released as soon as the secondary bias is established. The external VCC bias supply can be derived from the integrated auxiliary supply or an auxiliary winding of the main transformer.

### 8.2.2.6 UVLO Voltage Divider Selection

As described in [Section 7.3.2](#), two external resistors can be used to program the minimum operating voltage for the power converter, as shown [Figure 8-5](#). When the UVLO pin voltage falls below  $V_{UVLO}$  (1.25-V typical), an internal current sink  $I_{UVLO}$  (20- $\mu$ A typical) is enabled to lower the voltage at the UVLO pin, thus providing threshold hysteresis. Resistance values for  $R_{UV1}$  and  $R_{UV2}$  can be determined from [Equation 50](#) and [Equation 51](#).

$$R_{UV1} = \frac{H_{HYS(UVLO)}}{I_{UVLO}} \quad (50)$$

where

- $V_{HYS(UVLO)}$  is the UVLO hysteresis

$$R_{UV2} = \frac{V_{UVLO} \times R_{UV1}}{V_{IN(on)} - V_{UVLO} - I_{UVLO} \times R_{UV1}} \quad (51)$$

where

- $V_{IN(on)}$  is the input voltage above which the main converter will start to operate.

[Figure 8-6](#) illustrates one way to configure a latch reset operation by pulling the UVLO pin voltage below  $V_{UVLO}$ . The diode voltage drop must be between 0.35 V and 1.25 V. The controller can be forced to enter shutdown mode by pulling UVLO pin to GND.

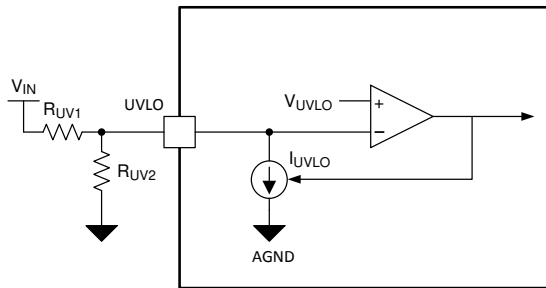


Figure 8-5. UVLO Configuration

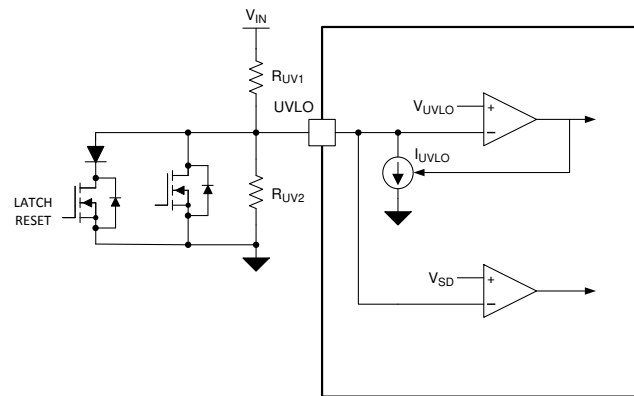


Figure 8-6. Latch Reset

### 8.2.2.7 Over Voltage, Latch (ON\_OFF Pin) Voltage Divider Selection

As described in [Section 7.3.17](#), the ON\_OFF pin can be configured as a latch pin or an OVP pin. [Figure 7-20](#) shows the latch configuration. The ON\_OFF pin is latched when the pin voltage reaches  $I_{OVL} \times R_L$  when any of the internal faults is detected. The latch diode is reverse-biased during latch operation. Select the latch resistor  $R_L$  value such that  $I_{OVL} \times R_L > V_{ON\_OFF}$ . This design example uses an  $R_L$  value of 49.9 k $\Omega$ . If the latch threshold is 80 V, use an  $R_{OV1}$  value of 40 k $\Omega$ , and use an  $R_{OV2}$  value of 710  $\Omega$ .

If the ON\_OFF pin is configured as an OVP pin, two resistors can be used to program the maximum operating input voltage for the half-bridge converter, as illustrated in [Figure 7-21](#). When the ON\_OFF pin voltage rises above the  $V_{ON\_OFF}$  threshold, an internal current source  $I_{OVL}$  is enabled to raise the ON\_OFF pin voltage, thus providing the threshold hysteresis. Use [Equation 29](#) and [Equation 30](#) to determine resistance values for  $R_{OV1}$  and  $R_{OV2}$ . If the LM5036 controller is to be disabled when  $V_{IN}$  rises above 80 V and enabled when it falls below 78 V. Use an  $R_{OV1}$  value of 40-k $\Omega$ , and an  $R_{OV2}$  value of 635- $\Omega$ . The ON\_OFF pin can also be used for external thermal protection with a thermistor.

### 8.2.2.8 SS Capacitor

The soft-start delay  $t_{D(SS)}$ , which is the time it takes for the soft-start capacitor to rise from 0 V to  $V_{SSSecEn}$  (2.06-V typical), can be programmed with the SS capacitor value according to [Equation 52](#)

$$C_{SS} = \frac{I_{SS} \times t_{D(SS)}}{V_{SSSecEn}} \quad (52)$$

where

- $I_{SS}$  (20- $\mu$ A typical) is the current source of the soft-start pin

### 8.2.2.9 SSSR Capacitor

The SSSR capacitor value determines the rate at which the pulse width of the SRs of the half-bridge converter increases. To achieve a monotonic start-up for the output voltage, the optimum SSSR capacitor value satisfies the following two conditions:

- Ensure the SR soft-start sequence is completed before the controller reaches the regulation set-point of the output voltage.
- With a lower control loop bandwidth, the primary-side duty cycle tends to increase at a slower rate. In order to prevent excessive reverse current, reduce the ramp-up speed of the SSSR capacitor voltage accordingly.

A general rule is to maintain the control loop bandwidth of the half-bridge converter above 1 kHz. With a slow control loop bandwidth, the output voltage needs to drop at least 25% from the regulation set-point during the restart time period where the SS pin voltage rises from 0 V to  $V_{SSSecEn}$  (2.06-V typical) and then the secondary-side reference  $V_{REF}$  rises to 75% of regulation set-point. To satisfy the first condition above, maintain

the rise time of the SSSR capacitor voltage to less than 25% of the rise time of the output voltage, as described in [Equation 53](#).

$$C_{SSSR} < \frac{I_{SSSR} \times 25\% \times t_{RAMP}}{5 \text{ V}} \quad (53)$$

where

- $I_{SSSR}$  (20- $\mu$ A typical) is the current source of the SSSR pin.  $t_{RAMP}$  is the ramp-up time of the output voltage.

Use the SSSR capacitor value calculated from [Equation 53](#) as a starting point. Fine-tuning may be needed based on the actual control loop design and other specific design requirements such as pre-bias conditions and loading profile.

### 8.2.2.10 Half-Bridge Power Stage Design

For a PWM operating frequency of 400kHz applied to the output inductor the oscillator frequency of LM5036 must also be set to 400kHz. The value of resistor  $R_T$  is obtained using [Equation 54](#).

$$R_T = \frac{1}{f_{OSC} \times 1 \times 10^{-10}} = 25 - \text{k}\Omega \quad (54)$$

Maximum effective duty cycle that can be applied to the output inductor is [Equation 55](#).

$$D_{MAX} = 1 - t_{CLK} \times f_{OSC} = 0.974 \quad (55)$$

Maximum transformer turns ratio that will deliver the required output voltage from minimum input voltage is given by [Equation 56](#).

$$N_{PS(max)} = \frac{D_{MAX} \times V_{IN(min)}}{2 \times V_O} = 1.46 \quad (56)$$

For our example design we will opt for a planar transformer with 4 primary turns and 3 secondary turns. The turns are located in an un-gapped RM7/ILP ferrite core made of 3C95 material. This core has an inductance factor  $AL = 4.4\text{-}\mu\text{H/turn}^2$ . Hence the actual turns ratio ( $N_{PS}$ ) and magnetising inductance ( $L_{Mag}$ ) are given by [Equation 57](#) and [Equation 58](#).

$$N_{PS} = \frac{N_P}{N_S} = \frac{4}{3} \quad (57)$$

$$L_{Mag} = N_P^2 \times AL = 70.4 - \mu\text{H} \quad (58)$$

Maximum inductor current ripple will occur at maximum input voltage. The output inductor value  $L_O$  will be selected to limit inductor current ripple amplitude to 20-% of the maximum output current  $I_{LIM}$

$$L_O = \frac{V_O \times (1 - D_{MIN})}{20\% \times 2 \times I_{LIM} \times f_{OSC}} = 4.3 - \mu\text{H} \quad (59)$$

Hence a catalog part with an inductance of 4.7- $\mu$ H, capable of carrying the full output current, and with a saturation current of more that 120-% of  $I_{LIM}$ , is selected.

$$L_O = 4.7 - \mu\text{H}$$

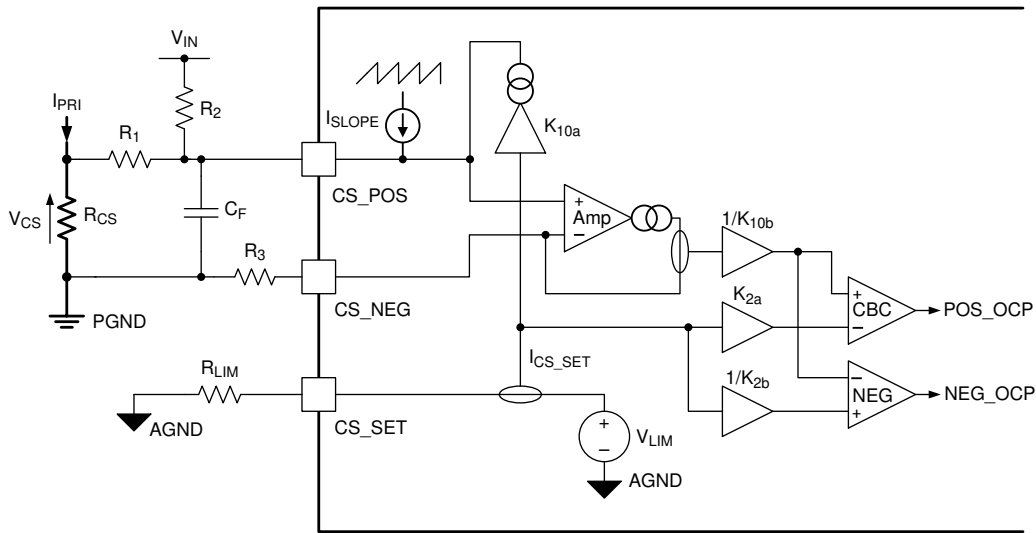
(60)

### 8.2.2.11 Current Limit

Section 7.3.11 describes the CBC current limiting functionality in detail. Figure 8-7 illustrates the current limiting block diagram of the LM5036 controller. These are the five resistors associated with the current limiting function of the half-bridge converter:

- $R_{CS}$
- $R_3$
- $R_2$
- $R_{LIM}$
- $R_1$

Because  $R_3$  is equal to the equivalent resistance of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  as given by Equation 13, there are four unknown resistor values to be determined.



**Figure 8-7. Current Limiting Block**

The value of current sense resistor  $R_{CS}$  is determined based on the maximum power consumption requirement. Typically, the current sense resistor should consume less than 0.5% of the input power of the converter at the worst case scenario. The sense resistor conducts every alternate current pulse flowing in the primary winding. The power dissipated in the sense resistor is determined by Equation 61.

$$P_{CS} = \frac{I_{Pri\_RMS}^2}{2} \times R_{CS} \quad (61)$$

The RMS current flowing in the primary winding may be calculated using Equation 62.

$$I_{Pri\_RMS} = \frac{I_O}{N_{PS}} \times \sqrt{D \times \left( 1 + \frac{1}{3} \times \left( \frac{\Delta I_{Pri}}{I_O} \right)^2 \right)}$$

Where :

$$\Delta I_{Pri} = \frac{\Delta I_{LO}}{N_{PS}} + \Delta I_{LMag} = \frac{V_O}{2 \times L_O \times N_{PS}} \times \left( \frac{1-D}{f_{OSC}} \right) + \frac{V_{IN}}{4 \times L_{Mag}} \times \frac{D}{f_{OSC}} \quad (62)$$



Maximum loss in the current sense resistor will occur while maximum output current ( $I_{LIM}$ ) is delivered from minimum input voltage ( $V_{IN(min)}$ ). Evaluating Equation 62 gives Equation 63.

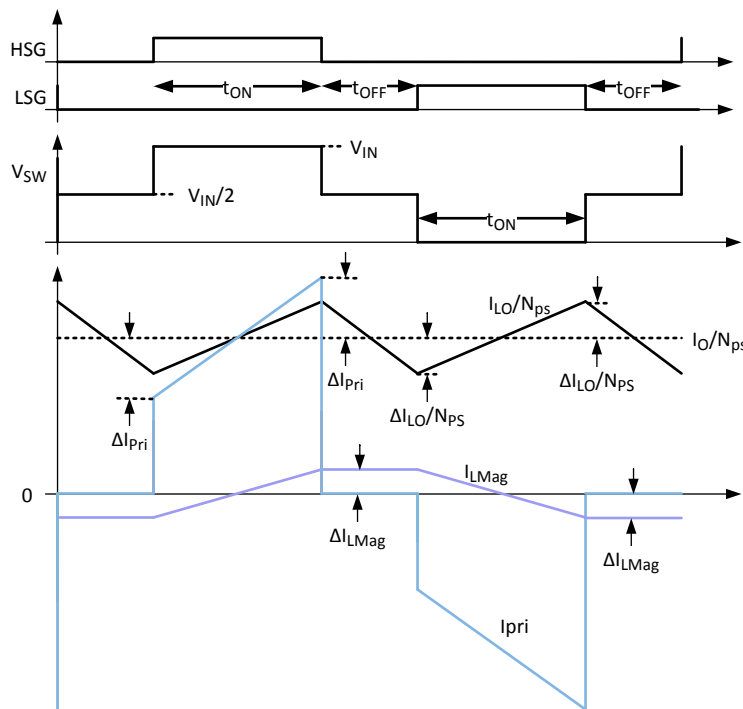
$$I_{Pri\_RMS} = 7.07A \quad (63)$$

To achieve our target of dissipating less than 0.5% of maximum output power the current sense resistor must satisfy Equation 64.

$$R_{CS} < 0.5\% \times V_O \times I_{LIM} \times \frac{2}{I_{Pri\_RMS}^2} = 0.024 \Omega \quad (64)$$

In our example design the current sense resistor value selected is given in Equation 65.

$$R_{CS} = 5 \text{ m}\Omega \quad (65)$$



**Figure 8-8. Main Converter Operating Waveforms**

The resistor  $R_1$  is used to set the slope compensation magnitude. In LM5036 device, the slope of the compensation ramp is given by Equation 66. To eliminate sub-harmonic oscillation, set  $m_C$  to at least one-half the down-slope of output inductor current transformed to the primary side across the current sense resistor, as given by Equation 67 and Equation 68. To damp the sub-harmonic oscillation after one cycle,  $m_C$  must be set equal to one times the down-slope of the output inductor current. This configuration is known as deadbeat control. In LM5036 controller, the slope compensation signal is a saw-tooth current waveform of magnitude  $I_{SLOPE}$  at the oscillator frequency (twice the switching frequency).

$$m_C = I_{SLOPE} \times f_{OSC} \times R_1 \quad (66)$$

where

- $m_C$  is the slope of the compensation ramp
- $I_{SLOPE}$  is the amplitude of the saw-tooth current signal used for slope compensation

$$m_L = \frac{V_O}{L_O} \times \frac{1}{N_{PS}} \times R_{CS} = 9.57 \frac{\text{mV}}{\mu\text{s}} \quad (67)$$

where

- $m_L$  is the down-slope of the output inductor current transformed to the primary side
- $N_P$  is the number of turns for the primary winding of the main transformer
- $N_S$  is the number of turns for the secondary winding of the main transformer
- $V_O$  is the output voltage of the half-bridge converter
- $L_O$  is the output inductor value of the half-bridge converter
- $R_{CS}$  is the current sense resistor value

$$m_C > \frac{1}{2} \times m_L \quad (68)$$

Substituting [Equation 66](#) and [Equation 67](#) into [Equation 68](#) gives an expression for the minimum value for resistor  $R_1$  to avoid sub-harmonic oscillation.

$$R_1 > \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{V_O}{L_O} \times \frac{1}{N_{PS}} \times R_{CS} \times \frac{1}{I_{SLOPE} \times f_{OSC}} = 221 - \Omega \quad (69)$$

Doubling this value ensures deadbeat control. For this example design, the value given in [Equation 70](#) are selected

$$R_1 = 576 \Omega \quad (70)$$

Values have now been selected for both  $R_{CS}$  and  $R_1$ . Values for  $R_{LIM}$  and  $R_2$  are yet to be determined. These values define the peak current limit threshold and how this level varies with input voltage. [Equation 20](#), [Equation 21](#) and [Equation 25](#) define the relationship between peak primary current limit and maximum output current. For this design example ignore  $I_{BiasOffset}$  and  $V_{CSOffset}$ , because these parameters have only a small effect on output current limit. Setting these parameters to zero calculates [Equation 71](#), [Equation 72](#) and [Equation 73](#).

$$I_O(V_{IN}, R_{LIM}, R_2) = N_{PS} \times \left[ I_{PriCBC}(V_{IN}, R_{LIM}, R_2) - \frac{V_O}{2 \times L_O \times f_{OSC} \times N_{PS}} \times (1-D) - \frac{V_O \times N_{PS}}{2 \times L_{Mag} \times f_{OSC}} \right] \quad (71)$$

$$I_{PriCBC}(V_{IN}, R_{LIM}, R_2) = \frac{V_{CS\_CBCTh}(V_{IN}, R_{LIM}, R_2)}{R_{CS}} + t_{CSLSG} \times \left( \frac{1}{2} \times \left( \frac{V_{IN}}{L_{Mag}} + \frac{V_{IN}}{L_O \times N_{PS}^2} \right) - \frac{V_O}{L_O \times N_{PS}} \right) \quad (72)$$

$$V_{CS\_CBCTh}(V_{IN}, R_{LIM}, R_2) = R_1 \times \left( \frac{K_{CBC1}}{R_{LIM}} - I_{SLOPE} \times D - \frac{V_{IN}}{R_2} \right) \quad (73)$$

The output current limit varies with input voltage. This design example limits the output current to  $I_{LIM}$  at the extremes of input voltage giving [Equation 74](#) and [Equation 75](#). This value limits the spread of output current limit across the range of input voltage.

$$I_O(V_{IN(min)}, R_{LIM}, R_2) = I_{LIM} \quad (74)$$

$$I_O(V_{IN(max)}, R_{LIM}, R_2) = I_{LIM} \quad (75)$$

Solving Equation 74 and Equation 75 simultaneously yields values for resistors  $R_{LIM}$  and  $R_2$ .

$$R_2 = \frac{1}{\frac{t_{CSLGS}}{2} \times \frac{R_{CS}}{R_1 \times N_{PS}} \times \left( \frac{1}{L_{Mag}} + \frac{1}{L_O \times N_{PS}^2} \right) - \frac{1}{V_{IN(min)} \times V_{IN(max)}} \left( \frac{V_O^2}{L_O \times f_{OSC}} \times \frac{R_{CS}}{R_1} - I_{SLOPE} \times 2 \times V_O \times N_{PS} \right)} = 2.32 - M\Omega \quad (76)$$

$$R_{LIM} = \frac{K_{CBC1}}{\frac{R_{CS}}{R_1} \times \left[ \frac{I_{LIM}}{N_{PS}} + \frac{V_O}{2 \times L_O \times N_{PS} \times f_{OSC}} \times \left( 1 - \frac{2 \times V_O \times N_{PS}}{V_{IN(min)}} \right) + \frac{V_O \times N_{PS}}{2 \times L_{Mag} \times f_{OSC}} - \frac{t_{CSLGS}}{N_{PS}} \times \left[ \frac{V_{IN(min)}}{2 \times L_{Mag}} + \frac{V_{IN(min)}}{2 \times L_O \times N_{PS}^2} - \frac{V_O}{L_O \times N_{PS}} \right] \right] + I_{SLOPE} \times \frac{2 \times V_O \times N_{PS}}{V_{IN(min)}} + \frac{V_{IN(min)}}{R_2}} = 55.2 - k\Omega \quad (77)$$

Having determined values for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , the value of resistor  $R_3$  is fixed by Equation 13.

The selected values for  $R_2$  and  $R_{LIM}$  are given in Equation 78. Figure 8-9 presents the measured output current limit vs input voltage for the circuit presented in Figure 8-1. Figure 8-9 also presents the output current limit vs line for the same circuit predicted by Equation 71, Equation 72 and Equation 73. There is good agreement between measured and predicted results.

$$\begin{aligned} R_2 &= 1.96 M\Omega \\ R_{LIM} &= 56.2 k\Omega \end{aligned} \quad (78)$$

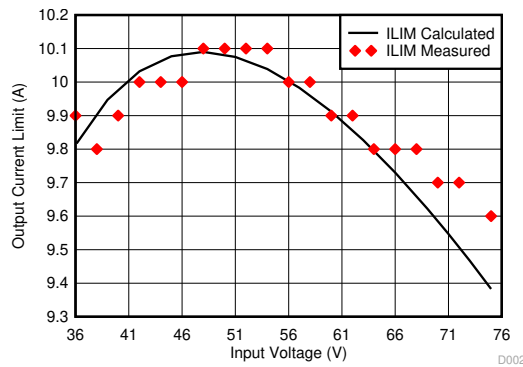


Figure 8-9. Main Converter Measured vs Predicted Output Current Limit

If the magnitude of the leading-edge spike is excessive, add an additional filter capacitor  $C_F$  to form an RC filter with  $R_1$ , to reduce the high-frequency noise spike. Both the leading-edge blanking ( $t_{CSBLK}$ ) and the RC filter help to prevent false triggering of the CBC current limiting operation.

The circuit connected to the CS\_POS pin may be approximated by the simplified circuit shown in Figure 8-10.

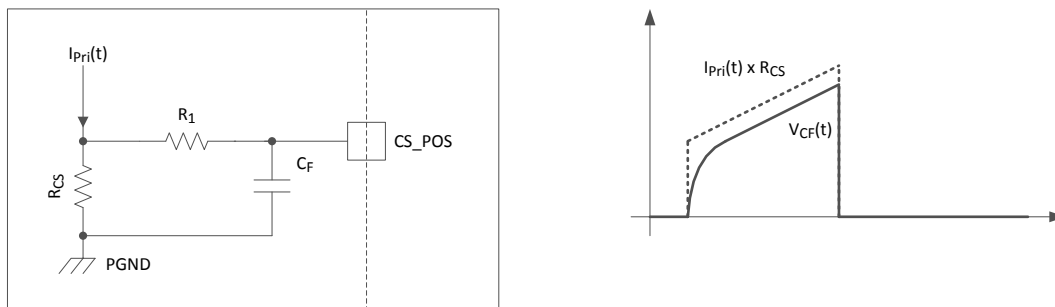


Figure 8-10. CS\_POS Filter Circuit Model and Waveform

The voltage across the current sense resistor during the conduction period of the low-side MOSFET is represented by Equation 79.

$$I_{Pri}(t) \times R_{CS} = (I_{P0} + m \times t) \times R_{CS} \quad (79)$$

Where  $I_{P0}$  is the primary current at the start of the on period of the lower switch, and  $m$  is the slope of the primary current during the on period.

$$I_{P0} = \frac{I_O}{N_{PS}} - \Delta I_{LMag} - \frac{\Delta I_{LO}}{N_{PS}} \quad (80)$$

$$m = \left( \frac{V_{IN(max)}}{2 \times N_{PS}} - V_O \right) \times \frac{1}{L_O \times N_{PS}} + \frac{V_{IN(max)}}{2 \times L_{Mag}} \quad (81)$$

The voltage across capacitor  $C_F$  for the circuit shown is expressed by [Equation 82](#).

$$V_{CF}(t) = R_{CS} \times \left[ (I_{P0} - m \times C_F \times R_1) \times \left( 1 - e^{-\frac{t}{C_F \times R_1}} \right) + m \times t \right] \quad (82)$$

Let us assume that the on period of the lower switch is more than four times longer than the time constant made up of  $C_F$  and  $R_1$ . In this case the exponential term of [Equation 82](#) tends to zero and the voltage across capacitor  $C_F$  at the end of the  $t_{ON}$  period may be expressed by [Equation 83](#).

$$V_{CF}(t_{ON}) = R_{CS} \times [I_{P0} - m \times C_F \times R_1 + m \times t_{ON}] \quad (83)$$

Comparing [Equation 79](#) and [Equation 83](#) shows that capacitor  $C_F$  introduces an error in the sensed peak current given by [Equation 84](#).

$$Err_{CF} = \frac{V_{CS}(t_{ON}) - V_{CF}(t_{ON})}{\frac{I_{LIM}}{N_{PS}} \times R_{CS}} = \frac{m \times C_F \times R_1}{\frac{I_{LIM}}{N_{PS}}} = \frac{\left[ \left( \frac{V_{IN(max)}}{2 \times N_{PS}} - V_O \right) \times \frac{1}{L_O \times N_{PS}} + \frac{V_{IN(max)}}{2 \times L_{Mag}} \right] \times C_F \times R_1}{\frac{I_{LIM}}{N_{PS}}} \quad (84)$$

Hence, to ensure the error introduced by the filter capacitor is less than 2%, the value of capacitor  $C_F$  should not exceed the value given by [Equation 85](#).

$$C_F \leq \frac{0.02 \times I_{LIM}}{\left[ \left( \frac{V_{IN(max)}}{2 \times N_{PS}} - V_O \right) \times \frac{1}{L_O \times N_{PS}} + \frac{V_{IN(max)}}{2 \times L_{Mag}} \right] \times R_1 \times N_{PS}} = 84 \text{ pF} \quad (85)$$

The [Excel Calculator Tool](#) can be used to facilitate the process of calculating all the external CBC component values.

### 8.2.2.12 Auxiliary Transformer

A coupled inductor or a flyback-type transformer is required for this fly-buck topology auxiliary supply. Energy is transferred from primary to secondary when the low-side SR MOSFET is conducting.

The transformer turns ratio is selected based on the ratio of the primary output voltage to the secondary output voltage. In this design example, the two outputs are set to be equal and a 1:1 turns ratio transformer is selected, i.e.,  $N_2/N_1 = 1$ . The primary output voltage is normally selected based on the input voltage range such that the

duty cycle of the converter does not exceed 50% at the minimum input voltage. This condition is satisfied if  $V_{AUX1} < V_{IN(min)} / 2$ .

Use Equation 86 to calculate the maximum inductor current ripple amplitude  $\Delta I_{L(AUX)}$  that can be tolerated without exceeding the peak current limit threshold  $I_{AUX(LIM)}$  (200-mA typical) of the high-side switch,

$$\Delta I_{L(AUX)} = \left( I_{AUX(LIM)} - I_{AUX1} - I_{AUX2} \times \frac{N_2}{N_1} \right) \quad (86)$$

where

- $I_{AUX1}$  is the primary output current, and  $I_{AUX2}$  is the secondary output current of the auxiliary supply, respectively.

In this design example, the maximum total output current  $I_{AUX(max)}$  of the auxiliary supply referred to the primary side is 100-mA, as given by Equation 87.

$$I_{AUX(max)} = I_{AUX1} + I_{AUX2} \times \frac{N_2}{N_1} = 0.1 \text{ A} \quad (87)$$

Therefore,  $\Delta I_{L(AUX)} = 0.1\text{-A}$ . Use Equation 88 to calculate the minimum inductor value for the auxiliary supply.

$$L_{AUX} \geq \frac{K_{ON} \times R_{ON}}{2 \times \Delta I_{L(AUX)}} \times \left( 1 - \frac{V_{AUX1}}{V_{IN(max)}} \right) = 88 - \mu\text{H} \quad (88)$$

Select a higher value of 150- $\mu\text{H}$  to ensure the high-side switch current doesn't exceed the minimum peak current limit threshold.

### 8.2.2.13 Auxiliary Feedback Resistors

The two feedback resistors are selected to set the primary output voltage  $V_{AUX1}$  of the auxiliary supply. The internal reference for the off-state and on-state auxiliary output voltage levels are  $V_{AUX-OFF}$  (1.4-V typical) and  $V_{AUX-ON}$  (1-V typical). The feedback resistors are calculated such that both of the off-state and on-state auxiliary output voltage fall into the recommended operating range (8.5-V to 14-V). In this design example, the off-state and on-state auxiliary output voltages are set to 11.9-V and 8.5-V, respectively.  $R_{FB2}$  is selected to be 1-k $\Omega$  and  $R_{FB1}$  is calculated to be 7.5-k $\Omega$  according to Equation 89. Note that it is the valley of the output voltage that is regulated at the reference value. Therefore the average output voltage is greater than the reference value due to the ripple injected to the feedback node.

$$V_{AUX1-ON} = V_{AUX-ON} \times \left( 1 + \frac{R_{FB1}}{R_{FB2}} \right) \quad (89)$$

### 8.2.2.14 $R_{ON}$ Resistor

Use Equation 31 to calculate the value of  $R_{ON}$  required to achieve the desired switching frequency for the auxiliary supply. Make sure that the calculated  $R_{ON}$  value is greater than the minimum value required by Equation 40. For this design example where on-state  $V_{AUX1}$  is 8.5-V and target  $f_{SW\_AUX}$  is 500-kHz, the calculated value of  $R_{ON}$  is 189-k $\Omega$ . The minimum recommended value calculated using Equation 40 is 209-k $\Omega$ . A standard value of 220-k $\Omega$  is selected to satisfy this minimum  $R_{ON}$  requirement giving and actual switching frequency ( $f_{SW\_AUX}$ ) of 430-kHz.

### 8.2.2.15 VIN Pin Capacitor

Place the required bypass capacitor close to the VIN pin of the LM5036 device. Ensure that the capacitance is large enough to limit the ripple of the VIN pin voltage to a desired level. Use Equation 90 to calculate the value of  $C_{IN}$  required to meet the ripple voltage  $\Delta V_{IN}$  requirement.

$$C_{IN} \geq \frac{I_{AUX(max)}}{4 \times f_{SW\_AUX} \times \Delta V_{IN}} \quad (90)$$

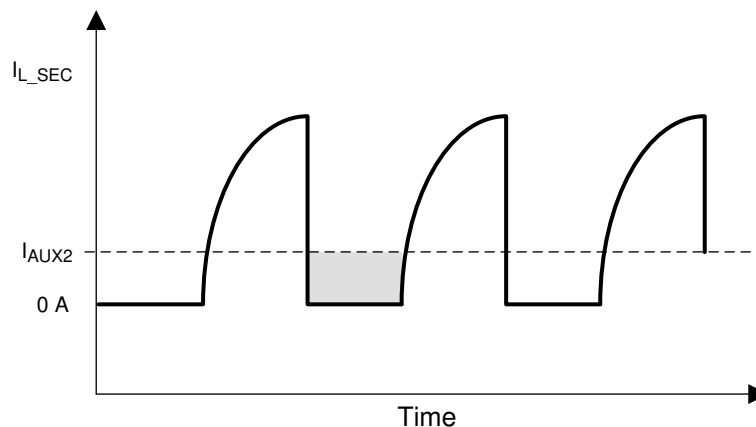
Choosing a value of 0.5-V for  $\Delta V_{IN}$  yields a minimum  $C_{IN}$  value of 0.12- $\mu$ F. Select the standard value of 0.1- $\mu$ F for this design. Ensure that the voltage rating of the input capacitor is greater than the maximum input voltage under all conditions.

### 8.2.2.16 Auxiliary Primary Output Capacitor

The output capacitor value ( $C_{AUX1}$ ), needed to achieve our target output ripple amplitude ( $\Delta V_{AUX1Cap} = 25\text{-mV}$ ), may be calculated using Equation 94. Highest ripple voltage will be observed if all the Aux current is drawn from  $V_{AUX2}$  ( $I_{AUX2} = I_{AUX(max)}$ ). In this case a capacitor value of 1.1- $\mu$ F is required to limit capacitive ripple voltage amplitude to 25-mV. A standard 1- $\mu$ F, 25-V capacitor is selected for this design.

### 8.2.2.17 Auxiliary Secondary Output Capacitor

A simplified waveform for the secondary winding current  $I_{L\_SEC}$  is shown in Figure 8-11.



**Figure 8-11. Auxiliary Transformer Secondary Winding Current Waveforms for  $C_{AUX2}$  Ripple Calculation**

The secondary output current  $I_{AUX2}$  is sourced by  $C_{AUX2}$  during on-time of the high-side switch,  $t_{ON}$ . Ignoring the current transition times in the secondary winding, the secondary output capacitor ripple voltage amplitude can be calculated using Equation 91.

$$\Delta V_{AUX2Cap} = \frac{I_{AUX2} \times t_{ON(max)}}{2 \times C_{AUX2}} \quad (91)$$

For a 1:1 auxiliary transformer turns ratio, the primary and secondary voltage ripple equations are identical. Therefore,  $C_{AUX2}$  is chosen to be equal to  $C_{AUX1}$  (1  $\mu$ F) to achieve comparable ripple voltages on the primary and secondary outputs.

### 8.2.2.18 Auxiliary Feedback Ripple Circuit

The auxiliary feedback ripple circuit employed is presented in Figure 7-27. Having selected appropriate values for  $R_{ON}$  in Section 8.2.2.14 and  $R_{FBX}$  in Section 8.2.2.13, the value of  $C_r$  required can be calculated using Equation 47. For our design we have opted to use a standard value  $C_r = 1\text{-nF}$ .

$$C_r > \frac{3}{2 \times \pi \times f_{SW\_AUX}} \times \frac{R_{FB1} + R_{FB2}}{R_{FB1} \times R_{FB2}} = 1.3 \text{ - nF} \quad (92)$$

Based on our target output ripple specification a value for the primary output capacitor ( $C_{AUX1} = 1\text{-}\mu$ F) was chosen in Section 8.2.2.16. The primary output ripple voltage  $V_{AUX1Cap}$  can be calculated using Equation 94.

Since the value of  $V_{AUX1Cap}$  is already greater than 25-mV there is no danger that we will fail to meet the requirement of Equation 46. Hence the value of  $R_r$  needed to ensure stable operation is calculated using Equation 48. For our design example a value of 46.4-k $\Omega$  has been selected.

$$R_r \leq \frac{K_{ON} \times R_{ON}}{10 \times C_r \times \Delta V_{AUX1Cap}} \times \left( 1 - \frac{V_{AUX1}}{V_{IN(min)}} \right) = 55 - k\Omega \quad (93)$$

The minimum value of  $C_{ac}$  is determined using Equation 49. The precise value of this component is not very critical and for our design example we selected a convenient value of  $C_{ac} = 100$ -nF.

$$C_{ac} \geq 5 \times C_r = 5 - nF \quad (94)$$

### 8.2.2.19 Auxiliary Secondary Diode

Use Equation 95 to calculate the reverse voltage across secondary rectifier of the auxiliary supply when the high-side switch is on.

$$V_D = \frac{N_2}{N_1} \times V_{IN(max)} \quad (95)$$

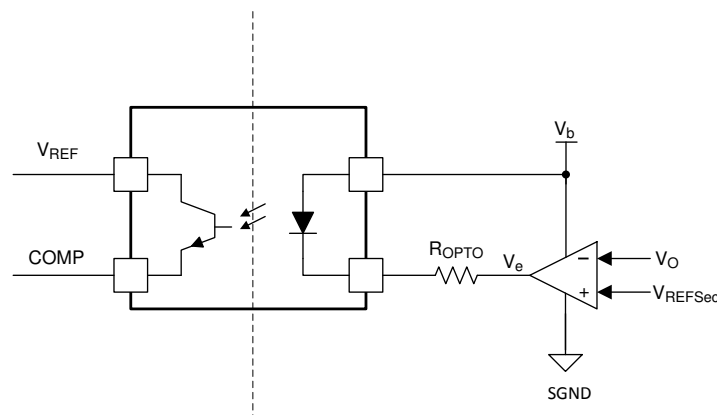
For a maximum input voltage of 75-V and the 1:1 turns ratio of this design, select a schottky diode with a rating of 75-V or higher.

### 8.2.2.20 VCC Diode

A diode must be connected between the primary output  $V_{AUX1}$  and the VCC pin. When  $V_{AUX1}$  is more than one diode voltage drop greater than the internal VCC voltage, the VCC bias current is supplied from  $V_{AUX1}$ . This results in reduced power losses in the internal VCC regulator, especially at high input voltage.

### 8.2.2.21 Opto-Coupler Interface

Figure 8-12 illustrates the opto-coupler interface for the main feedback control loop. The primary side of the opto-coupler is biased with  $V_{REF}$  voltage from LM5036 device.  $R_{OPTO}$  should be selected such that with the minimum error amplifier output, the comp current flowing into the COMP pin of the device is greater than  $I_{PWM-OS}$  (800- $\mu$ A typical) which corresponds to zero duty cycle, as given by Equation 96.



**Figure 8-12. Opto-Coupler Interface**

$$I_{COMP} = \frac{V_b - V_f - V_e}{R_{opto}} \times CTR \quad (96)$$

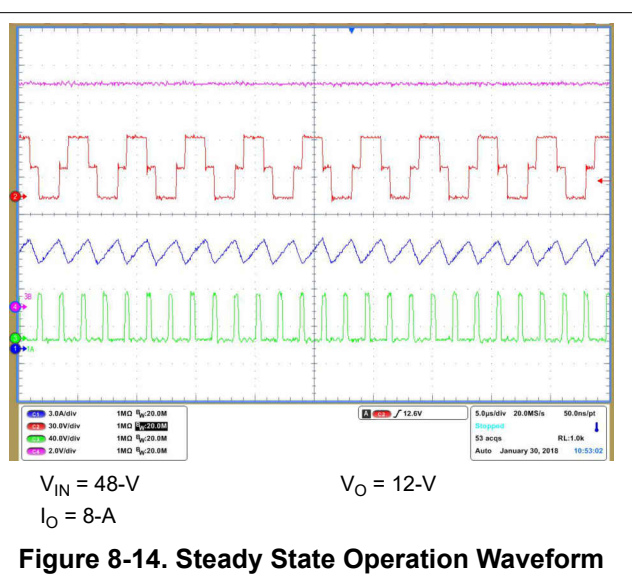
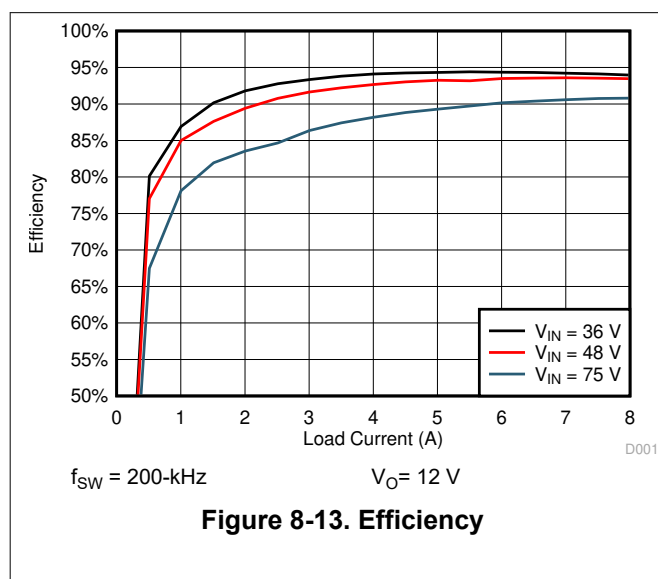
where

- $V_b$  is the bias supply for the error amplifier and opto-coupler on the secondary side
- $V_f$  is the diode forward voltage drop of the opto-coupler LED
- $V_e$  is the error amplifier output
- CTR is the current transfer ratio of the opto-coupler
- $I_{COMP}$  is the comp current flowing into the COMP pin
- $V_{REF}$  (5-V typical) is the reference of LM5036 device

### 8.2.2.22 Full-Bridge Converter Applications

While LM5036 device is optimized for half-bridge applications, it can also be used for full-bridge applications. External gate drivers are needed to support an additional pair of FETs in full-bridge configuration. In addition, a DC-blocking capacitor is required to ensure voltage-second balance of the main transformer with the voltage-mode control of LM5036 device. Only one phase current information is needed for current protection in the full-bridge applications.

### 8.2.3 Application Curves





## 9 Power Supply Recommendations

The power converter controlled by LM5036 device can have considerable current level. Care should be taken that components with the correct current rating are chosen. This includes magnetic components, power MOSFETS and diodes, connectors and wire sizes. Input and output capacitors should have the correct ripple current rating.

The recommended maximum input voltage for the VIN pin of LM5036 device is 100-V. The recommended voltage for the VCC pin is between 8.5-V and 14-V. Both VCC pin and REF pin must be locally decoupled with a ceramic capacitor. The recommended range of values is 0.47- $\mu$ F to 10- $\mu$ F for VCC pin, and 0.1- $\mu$ F to 10- $\mu$ F for REF pin. To reduce the power consumption of the internal VCC regulator, an external bias supply can be connected to VCC pin through a diode.

## 10 Layout

### 10.1 Layout Guidelines

- The two ground planes (AGND and PGND) of LM5036 device should be tied together with a short and direct connection to avoid jitter due to relative ground bounce. The connection point could be at the negative terminal of the input power supply.
- The VIN, VCC, REF pin capacitors, and CS\_NEG resistor should be tied to PGND plane. UVLO, ON\_OFF, RT, RON, RD1 and RD2 resistors, RAMP, RES, SS and SSSR capacitors, and the thermal pad should all be tied to AGND plane.
- SW and SW\_AUX are switching nodes which switch rapidly between VIN and GND every cycle which are sources of high dv/dt noise. Therefore, large SW/SW\_AUX node area should be avoided.
- The differential current sense signals at CS\_POS and CS\_NEG pins should be routed in parallel and close to each other to minimize the common-mode noise.
- The area of the loop formed by the main feedback control signal traces (COMP and REF) should be minimized in order to reduce the noise pick up. This can be accomplished by placing the COMP and REF signal traces on top of each other in adjacent PCB layers. In addition, the main feedback control signal traces should be routed away from the SW\_AUX switching node to avoid high dv/dt noise coupling.
- The gate drive outputs (LSG and HSG) should have short and direct paths to the power MOSFETs to minimize parasitic inductance in the gate driving loop.
- The VCC and REF decoupling capacitors should be placed close to their respective pins with short trace inductance. Low ESR and ESL ceramic capacitors are recommended for the boot-strap, VCC and the REF capacitors.
- A decoupling capacitor should be placed close to the IC, directly across VIN and PGND pins. The connections to these two pins should be direct to minimize the loop area which carries switching currents.
- The boot-strap capacitors required for the high-side gate drivers of the half-bridge converter and auxiliary supply should be located close to the IC and connected directly to the BST/BST\_AUX and SW/SW\_AUX pins.
- The area of the switching loop of the power stage consisting of input capacitor, capacitive divider, transformer, and the primary MOSFETs should be minimized.

### 10.2 Layout Example

See [Figure 10-1](#) for an example layout that matches the schematic of [Figure 8-1](#).

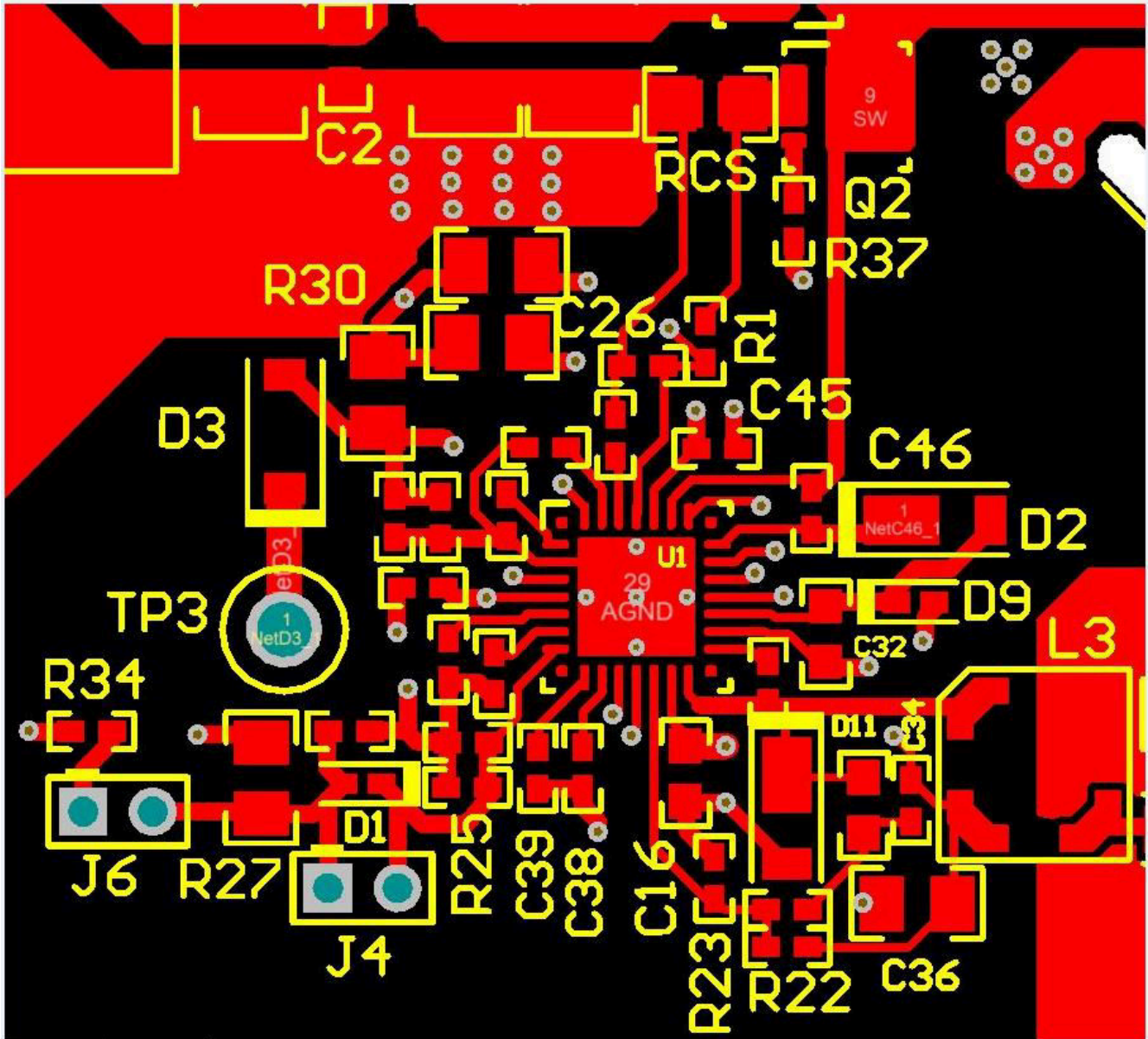


Figure 10-1. LM5036 PCB Layout Example

## 11 Device and Documentation Support

### 11.1 Device Support

#### 11.1.1 Custom Design With WEBENCH® Tools

[Click here](#) to create a custom design using the LM5036 device with the WEBENCH® Power Designer.

1. Start by entering the input voltage ( $V_{IN}$ ), output voltage ( $V_{OUT}$ ), and output current ( $I_{OUT}$ ) requirements.
2. Optimize the design for key parameters such as efficiency, footprint, and cost using the optimizer dial.
3. Compare the generated design with other possible solutions from Texas Instruments.

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- Run electrical simulations to see important waveforms and circuit performance
- Run thermal simulations to understand board thermal performance
- Export customized schematic and layout into popular CAD formats
- Print PDF reports for the design, and share the design with colleagues

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### 11.2 Documentation Support

#### 11.2.1 Related Documentation

##### 11.2.1.1 Receiving Notification of Documentation Updates

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### 11.6 Glossary

[TI Glossary](#) This glossary lists and explains terms, acronyms, and definitions.

## 12 Mechanical, Packaging, and Orderable Information

The following pages include mechanical, packaging, and orderable information. This information is the most current data available for the designated devices. This data is subject to change without notice and revision of this document. For browser-based versions of this data sheet, refer to the left-hand navigation.

**PACKAGING INFORMATION**

Orderable part number	Status (1)	Material type (2)	Package   Pins	Package qty   Carrier	RoHS (3)	Lead finish/ Ball material (4)	MSL rating/ Peak reflow (5)	Op temp (°C)	Part marking (6)
<a href="#">LM5036RJBR</a>	Active	Production	WQFN (RJB)   28	3000   LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	LM5036
LM5036RJBR.A	Active	Production	WQFN (RJB)   28	3000   LARGE T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	LM5036
<a href="#">LM5036RJBT</a>	Active	Production	WQFN (RJB)   28	250   SMALL T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	LM5036
LM5036RJBT.A	Active	Production	WQFN (RJB)   28	250   SMALL T&R	Yes	NIPDAU	Level-2-260C-1 YEAR	-40 to 125	LM5036

(1) **Status:** For more details on status, see our [product life cycle](#).

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(5) **MSL rating/Peak reflow:** The moisture sensitivity level ratings and peak solder (reflow) temperatures. In the event that a part has multiple moisture sensitivity ratings, only the lowest level per JEDEC standards is shown. Refer to the shipping label for the actual reflow temperature that will be used to mount the part to the printed circuit board.

(6) **Part marking:** There may be an additional marking, which relates to the logo, the lot trace code information, or the environmental category of the part.

Multiple part markings will be inside parentheses. Only one part marking contained in parentheses and separated by a "~" will appear on a part. If a line is indented then it is a continuation of the previous line and the two combined represent the entire part marking for that device.

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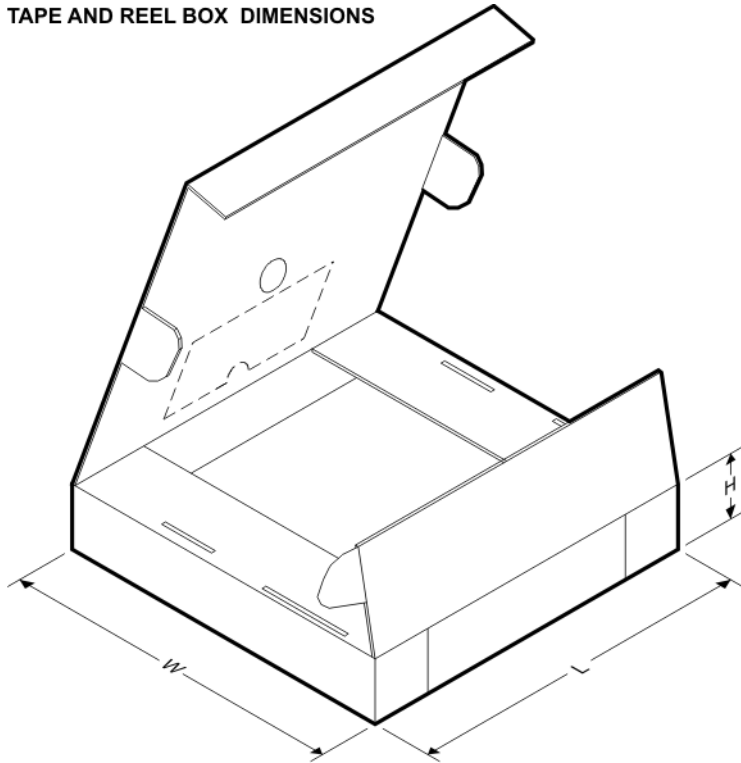
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**TAPE AND REEL INFORMATION**

**QUADRANT ASSIGNMENTS FOR PIN 1 ORIENTATION IN TAPE**


\*All dimensions are nominal

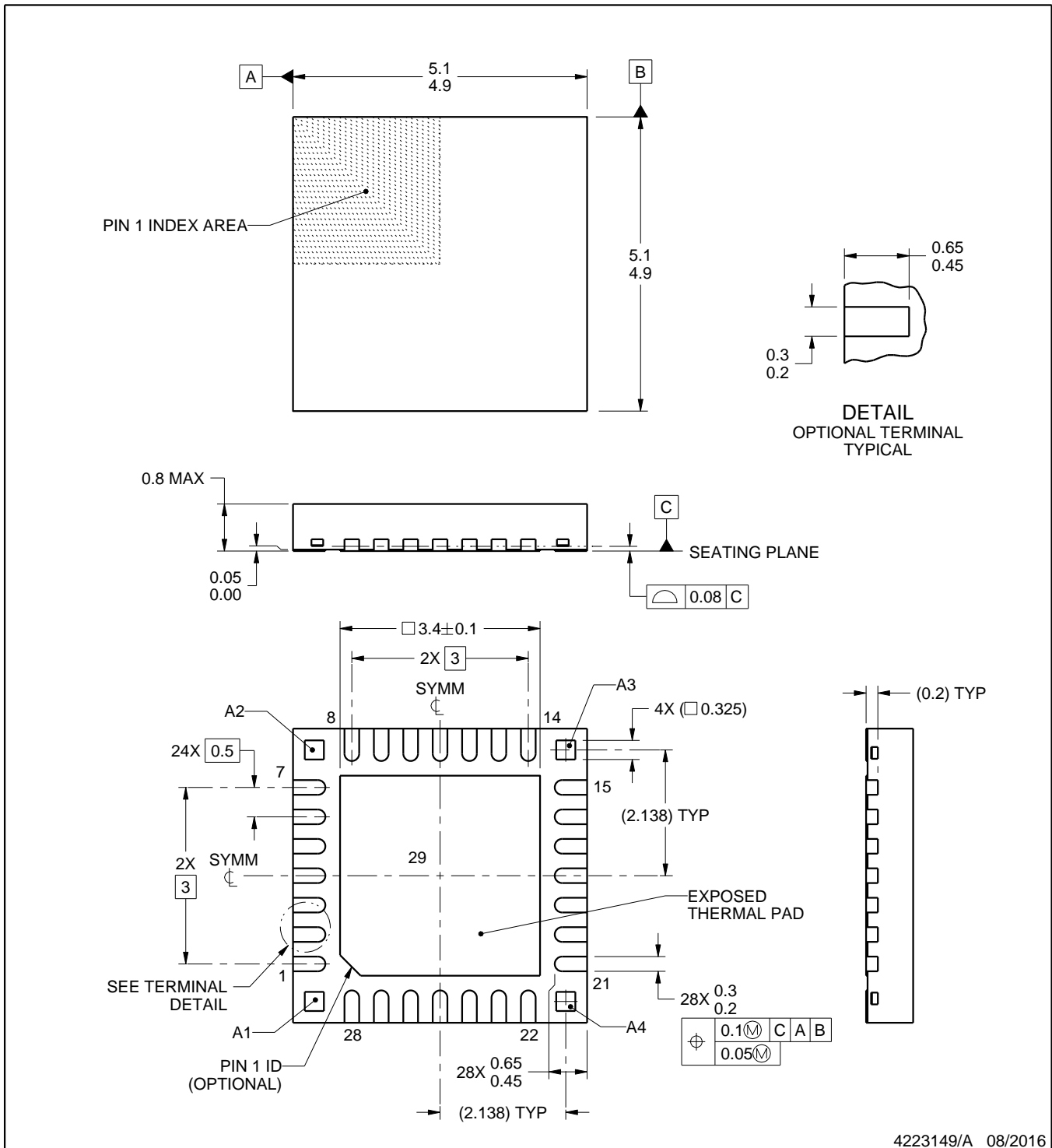
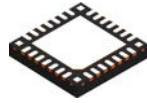
Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Reel Diameter (mm)	Reel Width W1 (mm)	A0 (mm)	B0 (mm)	K0 (mm)	P1 (mm)	W (mm)	Pin1 Quadrant
LM5036RJBR	WQFN	RJB	28	3000	330.0	12.4	5.25	5.25	1.1	8.0	12.0	Q2
LM5036RJBT	WQFN	RJB	28	250	180.0	12.4	5.25	5.25	1.1	8.0	12.0	Q2

**TAPE AND REEL BOX DIMENSIONS**


\*All dimensions are nominal

Device	Package Type	Package Drawing	Pins	SPQ	Length (mm)	Width (mm)	Height (mm)
LM5036RJBR	WQFN	RJB	28	3000	367.0	367.0	38.0
LM5036RJBT	WQFN	RJB	28	250	213.0	191.0	35.0





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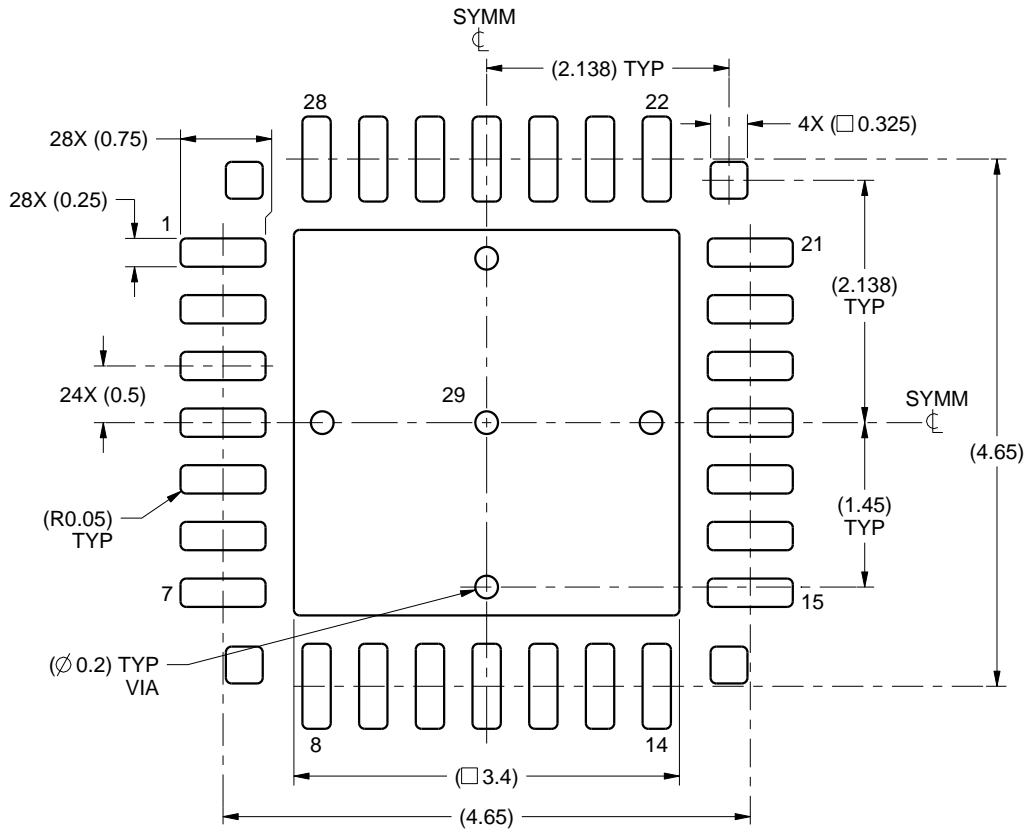
1. All linear dimensions are in millimeters. Any dimensions in parenthesis are for reference only. Dimensioning and tolerancing per ASME Y14.5M.
2. This drawing is subject to change without notice.
3. The package thermal pad must be soldered to the printed circuit board for thermal and mechanical performance.

# EXAMPLE BOARD LAYOUT

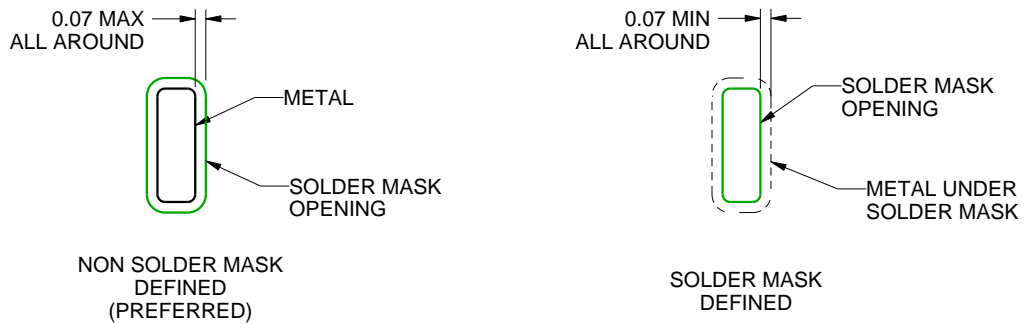
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WQFN - 0.8 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK - NO LEAD



LAND PATTERN EXAMPLE  
SCALE:15X



SOLDER MASK DETAILS

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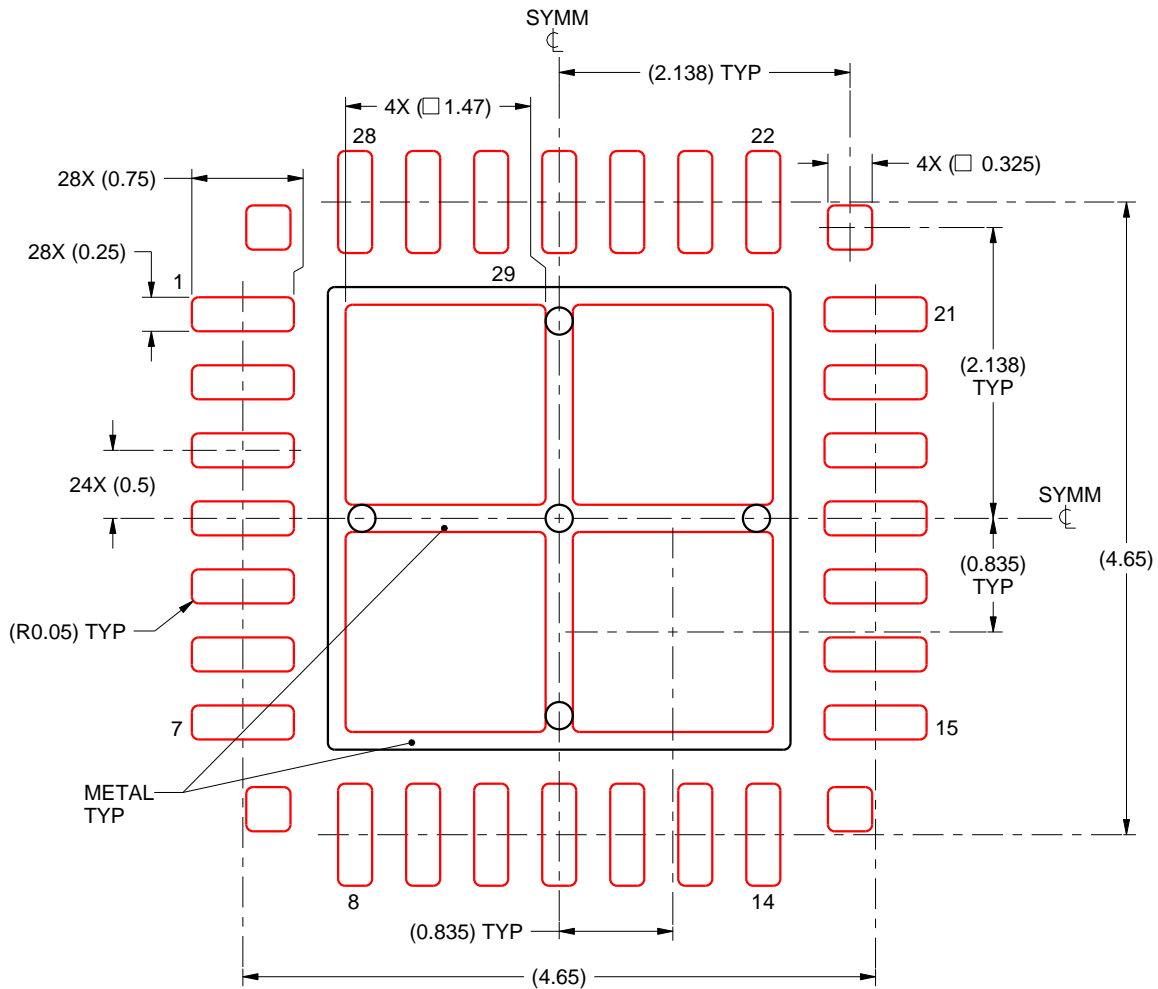
4. This package is designed to be soldered to a thermal pad on the board. For more information, see Texas Instruments literature number SLUA271 ([www.ti.com/lit/slua271](http://www.ti.com/lit/slua271)).
5. Vias are optional depending on application, refer to device data sheet. If any vias are implemented, refer to their locations shown on this view. It is recommended that vias under paste be filled, plugged or tented.

# EXAMPLE STENCIL DESIGN

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WQFN - 0.8 mm max height

PLASTIC QUAD FLATPACK - NO LEAD



**SOLDER PASTE EXAMPLE**  
BASED ON 0.125 mm THICK STENCIL

EXPOSED PAD 29:  
75% PRINTED SOLDER COVERAGE BY AREA UNDER PACKAGE  
SCALE:18X

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6. Laser cutting apertures with trapezoidal walls and rounded corners may offer better paste release. IPC-7525 may have alternate design recommendations.

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