

LTM4680

High Efficiency, PolyPhase 120A µModule Regulator with Digital Power System Management

DESCRIPTION

Demonstration circuit 2863A features the LTM®4680, which is a dual 30A or single 60A µModule® regulator with a 4.5V to 16V input range. Two LTM4680 µModule ICs are paralleled on this board to deliver 120A maximum load current. The output voltage is adjustable from 0.5V to 3.3V. Refer to the LTM4680 data sheet for more detailed information.

The DC2863A powers up to default settings and produces power based on configuration resistors without the need for any serial bus communication. This allows easy evaluation of the DC/DC converter. To fully explore the extensive power system management features of the LTM4680, download the GUI software LTpowerPlay® onto

your PC and use ADI I²C/SMBus/PMBus dongle DC1613A to connect to the board. LTpowerPlay allows the user to reconfigure the part on-the-fly and store the configuration in EEPROM, view telemetry of voltage, current, temperature and fault status.

GUI Download

The software can be downloaded from [LTpowerPlay](#).

For more details and instructions on LTpowerPlay, Refer to the LTpowerPlay GUI for LTM4680 quick start guide.

Design files for this circuit board are available.

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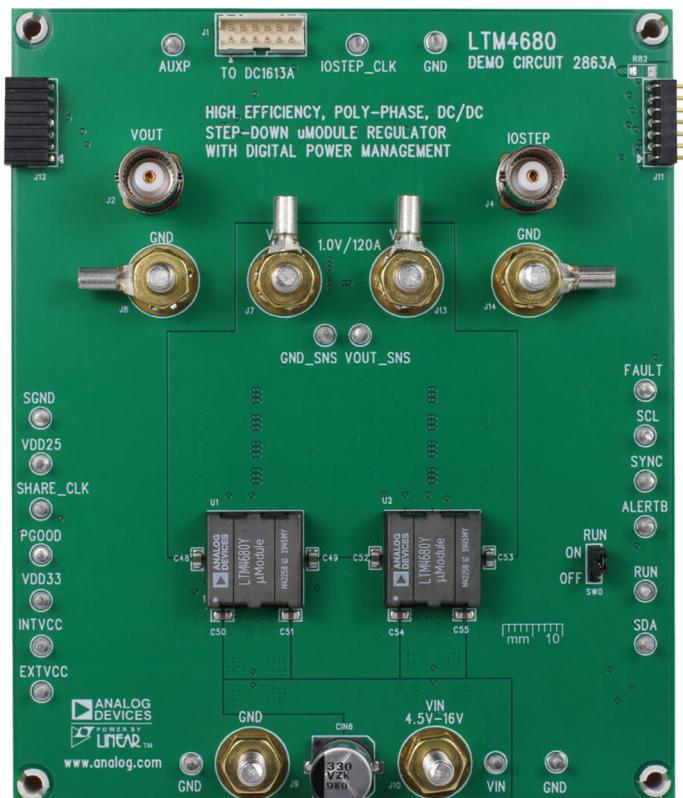


Figure 1. LTM4680/DC2863A Demo Circuit

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

PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
Input Voltage Range		4.5		16	V
Output Voltage, V_{OUT}	$V_{\text{IN}} = 4.5\text{V to } 16\text{V}$, $I_{\text{OUT}} = 0\text{A to } 120\text{A}$	0.5	1	3.3	V
Maximum Output Current, I_{OUT}	$V_{\text{IN}} = 4.5\text{V to } 16\text{V}$, $V_{\text{OUT}} = 0.5\text{V to } 3.3\text{V}$		120		A
Typical Efficiency	$V_{\text{IN}} = 12\text{V}$, $V_{\text{OUT}} = 1.0\text{V}$, $I_{\text{OUT}} = 120\text{A}$		87.2 (Figure 5)		%
Default Switching Frequency			500		kHz

QUICK START PROCEDURE

Table 1. LTM4680 Demo Boards

MAXIMUM OUTPUT CURRENT	NUMBER OF OUTPUTS	NUMBER OF LTM4680 µModule REGULATORS ON THE BOARD	DEMO BOARD NUMBER
30A/30A	2	1	DC2844A
60A	1	1	DC2845A

Demonstration circuit 2863A is easy to set up to evaluate the performance of the LTM4680. See Figure 2 for the proper measurement equipment setup and follow the procedure below.

1. With power off, connect the input power supply to V_{IN} (4.5V to 16V) and GND (input return).
2. Connect the 1V output load between V_{OUT} and GND (Initial load: no load).
3. Connect the DVMs to the input and output. Set default jumper position:
JP1: RUN ON
4. Turn on the input power supply and check for the proper output voltage. V_{OUT} should be within $1.0\text{V} \pm 0.5\%$.

5. Once the proper output voltage is established, adjust the load within the operating range and observe the output voltage regulation, ripple voltage and other parameters.
6. Connect the dongle and control the output voltages from the GUI. Refer to the LTpowerPlay GUI for the LTM4680 quick start guide for details.

NOTE: When measuring the output or input voltage ripple, do not use the long ground lead on the oscilloscope probe. See Figure 3 for the proper scope probe technique. Short, stiff leads need to be soldered to the (+) and (-) terminals of an output capacitor. The probe's ground ring needs to touch the (-) lead and the probe tip needs to touch the (+) lead.

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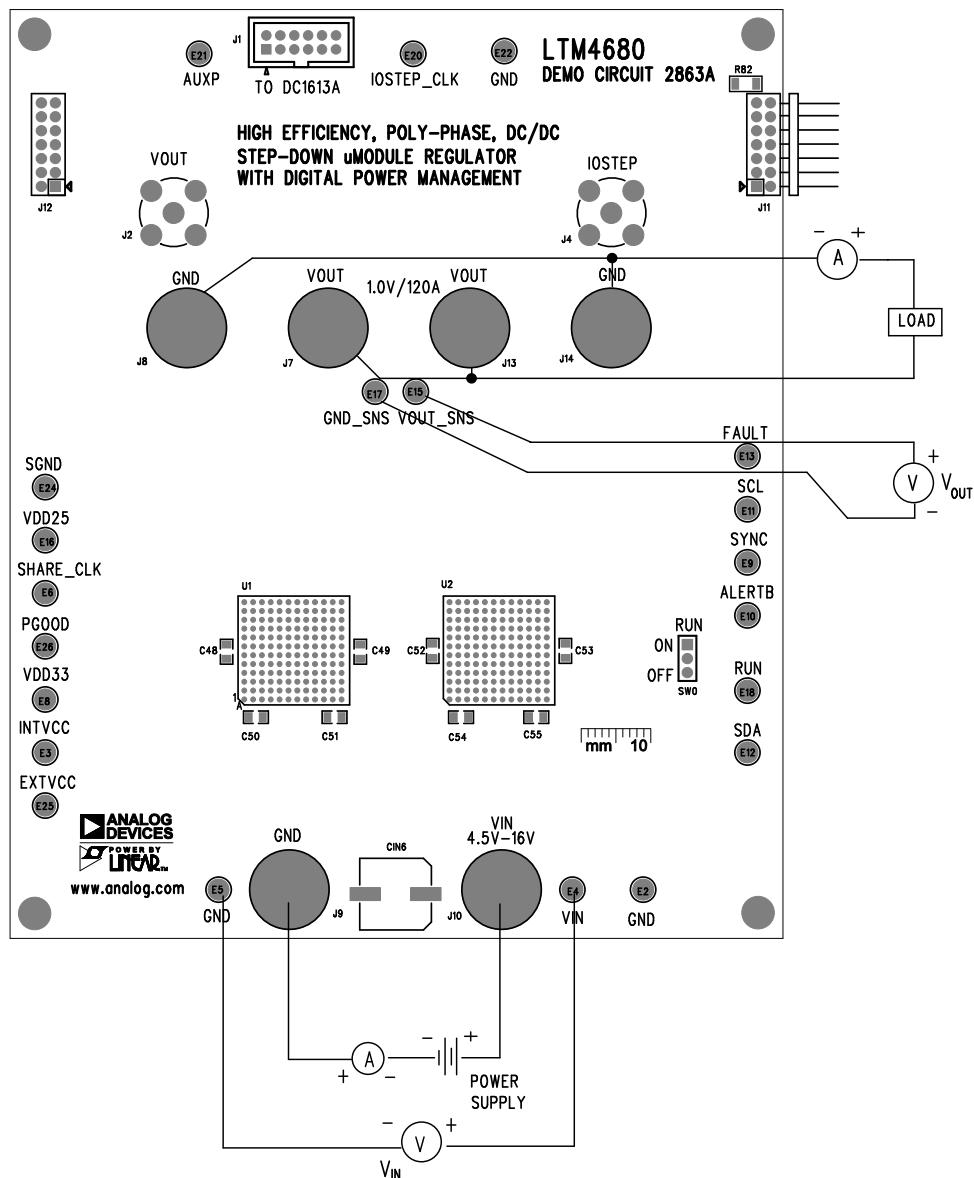


Figure 2. Proper Measurement Equipment Setup

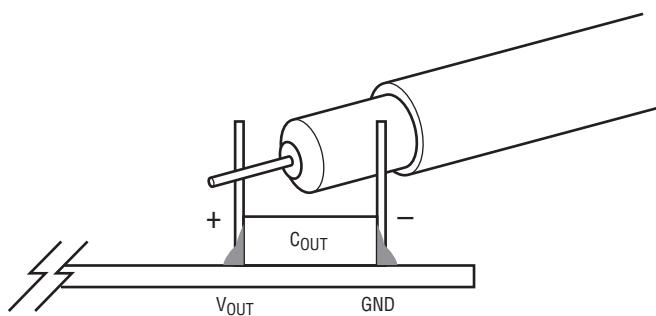


Figure 3. Measuring Output Voltage Ripple

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Connecting a PC to DC2863A

Use a PC to reconfigure the power management features of the LTM4680, such as nominal V_{OUT} , margin set points,

OV/UV limits, temperature fault limits, sequencing parameters, the fault log, fault responses, GPIOs and other functionalities. The DC1613A dongle may be plugged in when V_{IN} is present.

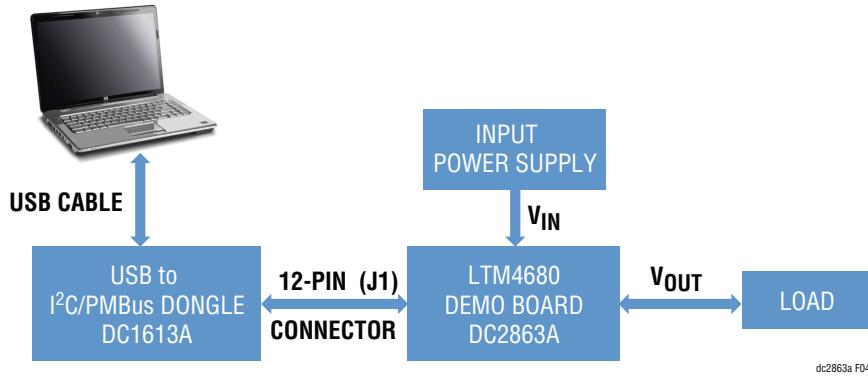


Figure 4. Demo Setup with PC

TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

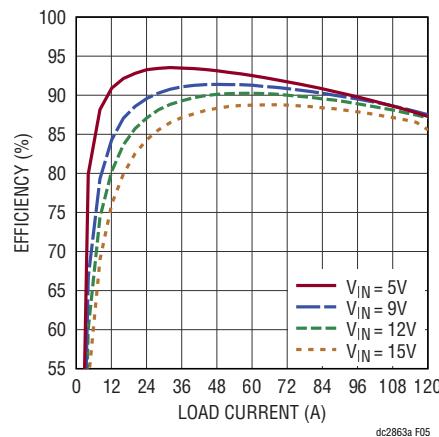


Figure 5. Efficiency vs Load Current, $V_{OUT} = 1V$, $f_{SW} = 500\text{kHz}$

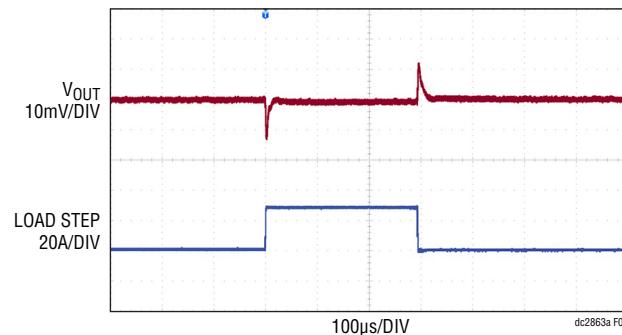


Figure 6. V_{OUT} Load Transient Response at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 1V$

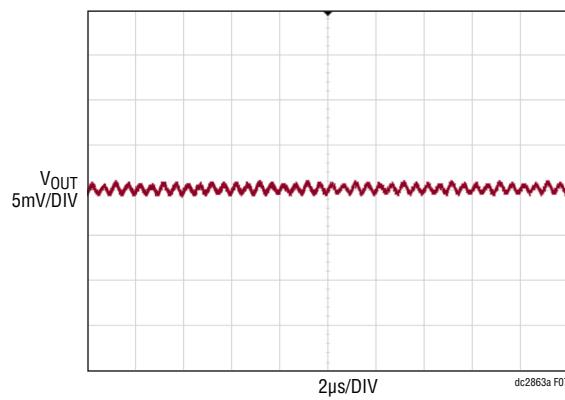
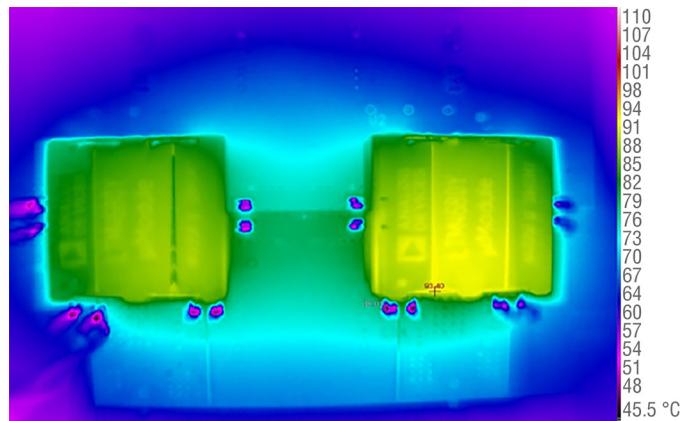


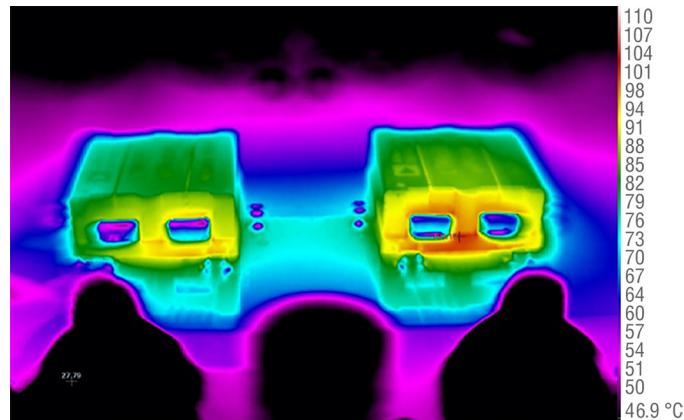
Figure 7. V_{OUT} Voltage Ripple at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 1V$, $I_{OUT} = 0A$

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TYPICAL PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS



(a) Front View



(b) Side View

Figure 8. Thermal at $V_{IN} = 12V$, $V_{OUT} = 1V$, $I_{OUT} = 120A$, $T_A = 25^\circ C$, No Airflow

LTPowerPlay SOFTWARE GUI

LTPowerPlay is a powerful Windows-based development environment that supports Analog Devices power system management ICs and µModule ICs, including LTM4675, LTM4676A, LTM4677, LTM4678, LTM4680, LTM4686, LTM4700, LTC®3880, LTC3882, LTC3883, LTC3884 and LTC3887. The software supports a variety of different tasks. You can use LTPowerPlay to evaluate Analog Devices ICs by connecting to a demo board system. LTPowerPlay can also be used offline (with no hardware present) to build a multichip configuration file that can be saved and reloaded later. LTPowerPlay provides unprecedented diagnostic and debug features. It becomes a valuable diagnostic tool during board bring-up to program or tweak the power management scheme in a system, or to diagnose

power issues when bringing up rails. LTPowerPlay utilizes the DC1613A USB-to-SMBus controller to communicate with one of many potential targets, including LTM4675, LTM4676A, LTM4677, LTM4678, LTM4680, LTM4686, LTM4700, LTC®3880, LTC3882, LTC3883, LTC3884 and LTC3887's demo system, or a customer board. The software also provides an automatic update feature to keep the software current with the latest set of device drivers and documentation. The LTPowerPlay software can be downloaded from [LTPowerPlay](#).

To access technical support documents for Analog Digital Power Products, visit the LTPowerPlay Help menu. Online help is also available through the LTPowerPlay.

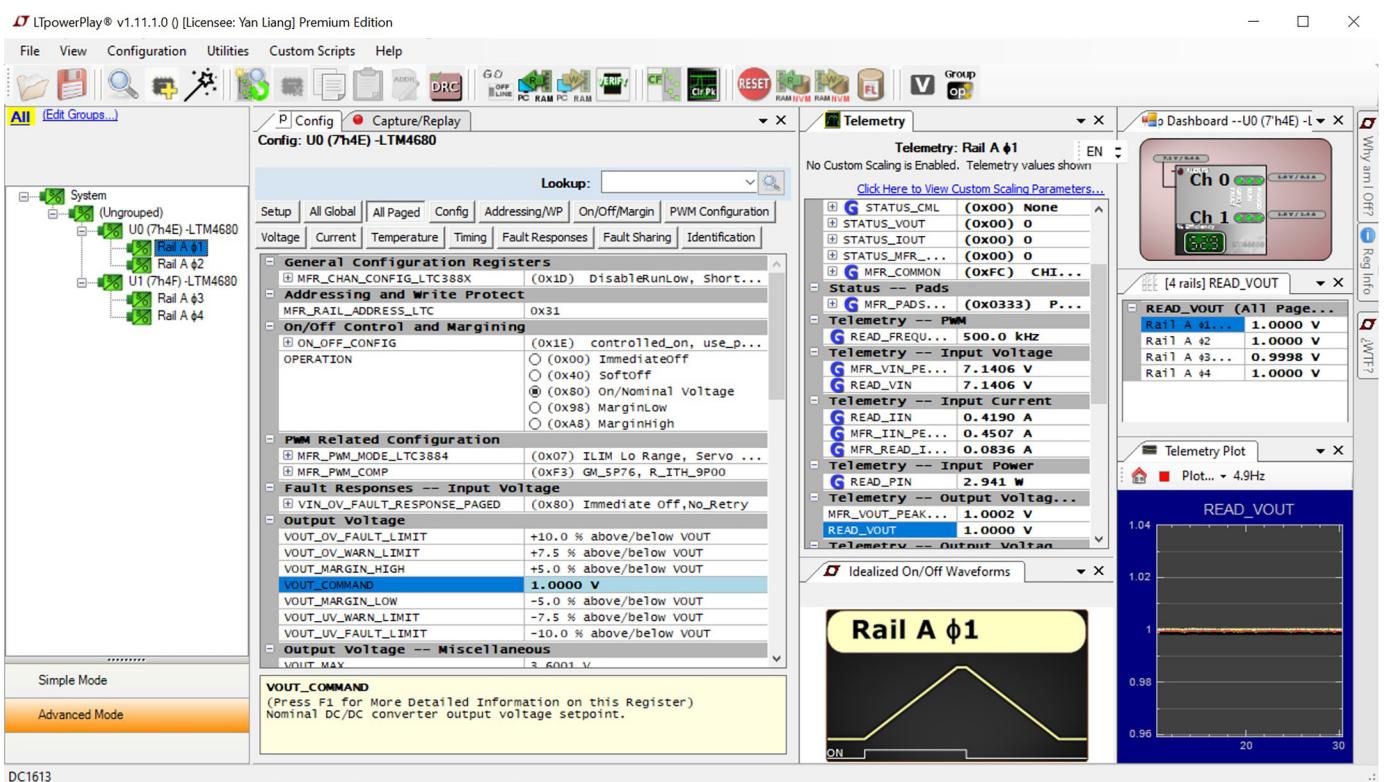


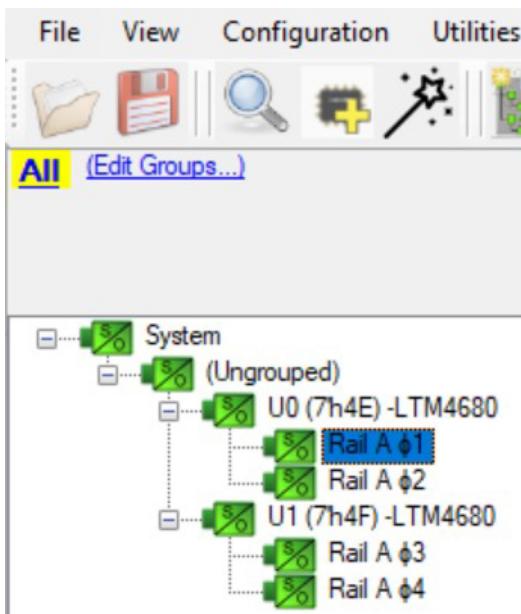
Figure 9. LTPowerPlay Main Interface

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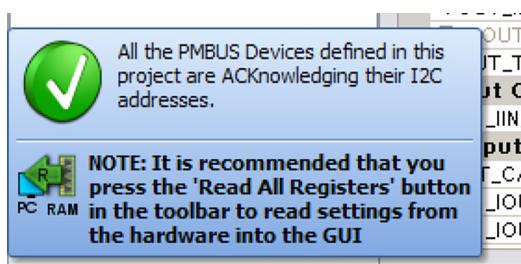
LTPowerPlay QUICK START PROCEDURE

The following procedure describes how to use LTpowerPlay to monitor and change the settings of LTM4680.

1. Download and install the [LTpowerPlay](#) GUI.
2. Launch the LTpowerPlay GUI.
 - a. The GUI should automatically identify the DC2863A. The system tree on the left hand side should look like this:



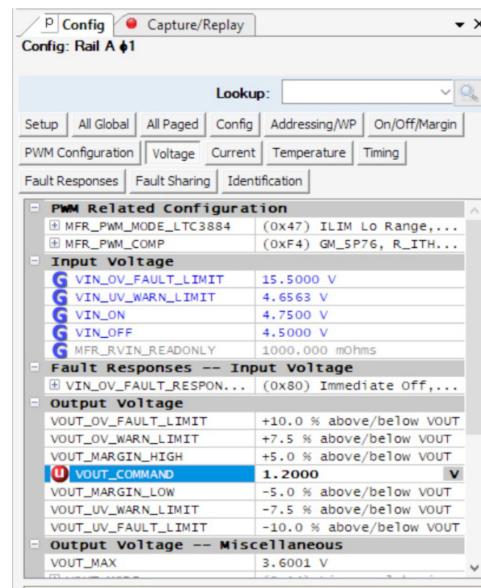
- a. A green message box shows for a few seconds in the lower left hand corner, confirming that LTM4680 is communicating:



- c. In the Toolbar, click the "R" (RAM to PC) icon to read the RAM from the LTM4680. This reads the configuration from the RAM of LTM4680 and loads it into the GUI.



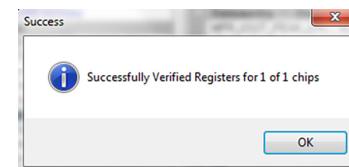
- d. If you want to change the output voltage to a different value, like 1.2V. In the Config tab, type in 1.2 in the VOUT_COMMAND box, like this:



- e. Then, click the "W" (PC to RAM) icon to write these register values to the LTM4680. After finishing this step, you will see the output voltage will change to 1.2V.



- f. If the write is successful, you will see the following message:



- g. You can save the changes into the NVM. In the toolbar, click the "RAM to NVM" button:



- h. Save the demo board configuration to a (*.proj) file. Click the Save icon and save the file. Name it whatever you want.

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PARTS LIST

ITEM	QTY	REFERENCE	PART DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER/PART NUMBER
Required Circuit Components				
1	14	COUT1-COUT3, COUT6-COUT8, COUT18, COUT19, COUT26, COUT27, C34, C35, C45, C46	CAP, 100µF, X5R, 6.3V, 20%, 1210	AVX, 12106D107MAT2A
2	2	CIN1, CIN6	CAP, 330µF, ALUM POLY HYB, 35V, 20%, RADIAL, SMD, AEC-Q200	PANASONIC, EEH-ZK1V331P
3	8	CIN2,-CIN5, CIN7-CIN10	CAP, 22µF, X5R, 35V, 20%, 1210	TAIYO YUDEN, GMK325BJ226MM-P
4	12	COUT9-COUT16, COUT21-COUT24	CAP, 470µF, TANT, POSCAP, 4V, 20%, 7343, 10mΩ, TPF	PANASONIC, 4TPF470ML
5	1	C14	CAP, 1000pF, X7R, 50V, 5%, 0603	AVX, 06035C102JAT2A
6	1	C15	CAP, 22pF, COG/NPO, 25V, 5%, 0603	AVX, 06033A220JAT2A
7	2	C30, C39	CAP, 4.7µF, X5R, 6.3V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 06036D475KAT2A
8	2	C33, C38	CAP, 2.2µF, X5R, 6.3V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 06036D225KAT2A
9	4	C48, C49, C52, C53	CAP, 47µF, X5R, 6.3V, 20%, 0805	MURATA, GRM21BR60J476ME15L
10	4	C50, C51, C54, C55	CAP, 10µF, X5R, 25V, 10%, 0805	MURATA, GRM21BR61E106KA73L
11	12	R10-R15, R18, R24, R52, R77, R94, R125	RES., 10k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200	VISHAY, CRCW060310K0FKEA
12	3	R25, R32, R70	RES., 10Ω, 1%, 1/10W, 0603	VISHAY, CRCW060310R0FKEA
13	1	R26	RES., 22.6k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200	VISHAY, CRCW060322K6FKEA
14	1	R126	RES., 32.4k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200	VISHAY, CRCW060332K4FKEA
15	1	R127	RES., 1.65k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200	VISHAY, CRCW06031K65FKEA
16	2	U1, U2	IC., DUAL 30A OR SINGLE 60A µModule REG, BGA-144	ANALOG DEVICES, LTM4680EY#PBF
Additional Demo Board Circuit Components				
1	2	Q1, Q20	XSTR., MOSFET, N-CH, 40V, 14A, DPAK (TO-252)	VISHAY, SUD50N04-8M8P-4GE3
2	1	Q19	XSTR., MOSFET, P-CH, 20V, 5.9A, SOT-23-3 (TO-236-3)	VISHAY, Si2365EDS-T1-GE3
3	10	R9, R63, R65, R66, R91, R92, R106, R112, R113, R122	RES., 0Ω, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200	VISHAY, CRCW06030000Z0EA
4	3	C21, C24, C47	CAP, 1µF, X5R, 25V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 06033D105KAT2A
5	1	C23	CAP, 1µF, X7R, 25V, 10%, 0805	AVX, 08053C105KAT2A
6	1	C26	CAP, 0.1µF, X5R, 16V, 10%, 0603	AVX, 0603YD104KAT2A
7	1	C28	CAP, 0.01µF, X7R, 25V, 5%, 0603	AVX, 06033C103JAT2A
8	2	R53, R132	RES., 0.01Ω, 1%, 1/2W, 2010, METAL, SENSE, AEC-Q200	VISHAY, WSL2010R0100FEA
9	2	R72, R73	RES., 4.99k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200	VISHAY, CRCW06034K99FKEA
10	1	R78	RES., 15.8k, 1%, 1/10W, 0603, AEC-Q200	VISHAY, CRCW060315K8FKEA
11	2	R90, R109	RES., 0.002Ω, 1%, 2W, 2512, METAL, SENSE, AEC-Q200	BOURNS, CRE2512-FZ-R002E-2
12	4	R104, R105, R108, R123	RES., OPTION, 0805	
13	0	COUT4, COUT5, COUT17, COUT25	CAP, OPTION, 7343	
14	0	C16, C17, C29, C31, C32, C36, C37, C40, C41, C43, C44	CAP, OPTION, 0603	
15	0	D2	DIODE, OPTION, SOD-323	

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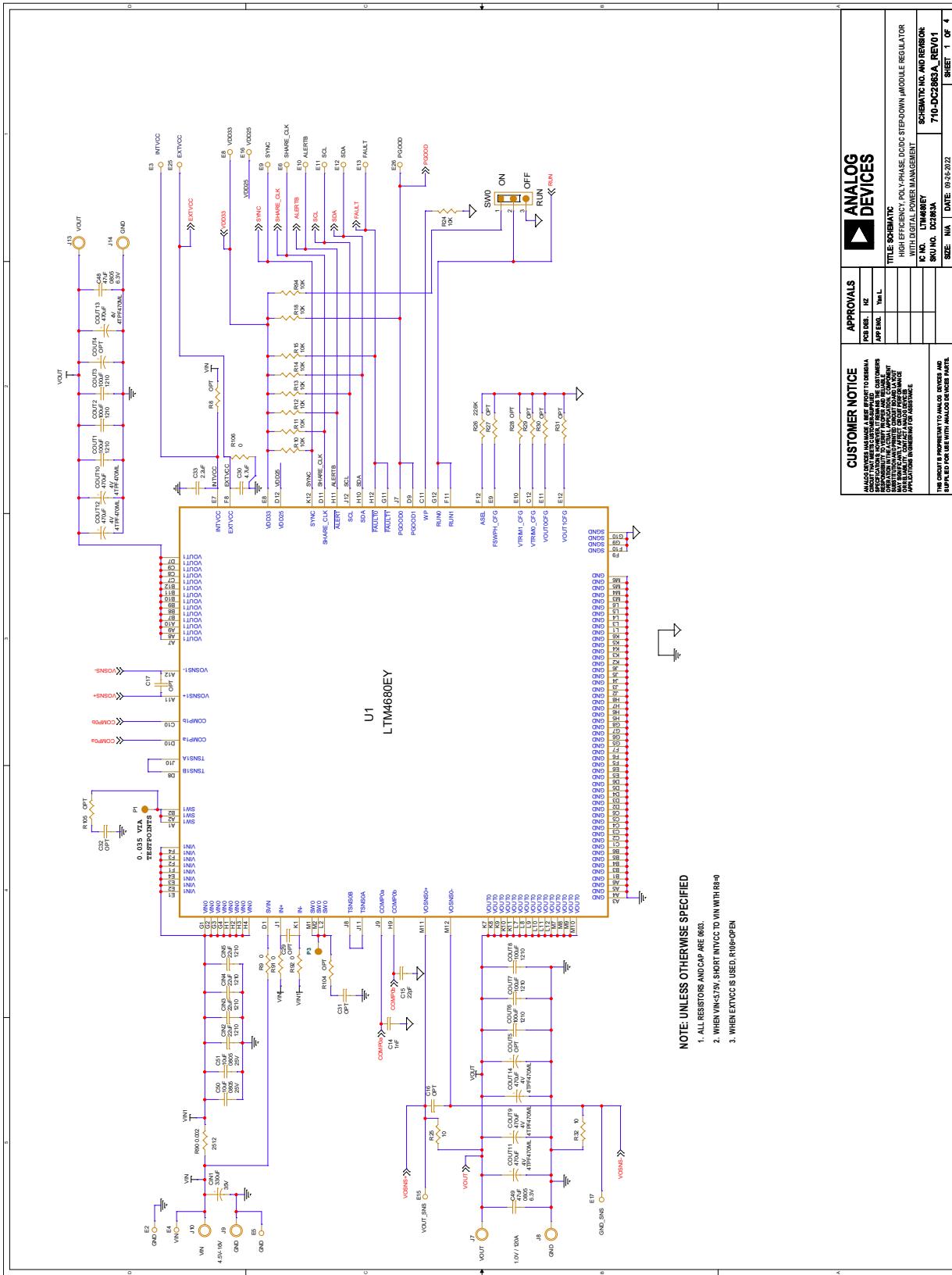
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17	0	R50	RES., OPTION, 1210	
18	0	R82	RES., OPTION, 1206	
19	1	U3	IC, MEMORY, EEPROM, 2kb (256 × 8), TSSOP-8, 400kHz	MICROCHIP, 24LC025-I/ST

Hardware: For Demo Board Only

1	1	SW0	CONN., HDR, MALE, 1 × 3, 2mm, VERT, ST, THT	SULLINS CONNECTOR SOLUTIONS, NRPN031PAEN-RC
2	4	J7-J10	STUD, TEST PIN	PEM, KFH-032-10
3	8	J7-J10 (×2)	NUT, BRASS 10-32	ANY, #10-32M/S
4	4	J7-J10	RING, LUG #10	KEYSTONE, 8205
5	4	J7-J10	WASHER, TIN PLATED BRASS	ANY, #10
6	1	XJP1	CONN., SHUNT, FEMALE, 2-POS, 2mm	SAMTEC, 2SN-BK-G
7	2	J2, J4	CONN., RF, BNC, RCPT, JACK, 5-PIN, ST, THT, 50Ω	AMPHENOL RF, 112404
8	1	J1	CONN., HDR, SHROUDED, MALE, 2 × 6, 2mm, VERT, ST, THT	AMPHENOL, 98414-G06-12ULF
9	1	J12	CONN., HDR, FEMALE, 2 × 7, 2mm, R/A THT	SULLINS CONNECTOR SOLUTIONS, NPPN072FJFN-RC
10	1	J11	CONN., HDR, MALE, 2 × 7, 2mm, R/A THT	MOLEX, 0877601416
11	21	E2-E6, E8-E13, E15-E18, E20-E22, E24-E26	TEST POINT, TURRET, 0.064" MTG. HOLE, PCB 0.062" THK	MILL-MAX, 2308-2-00-80-00-00-07-0
12	4	MH1-MH4	STANDOFF, NYLON, SNAP-ON, 0.50"	KEYSTONE, 8833

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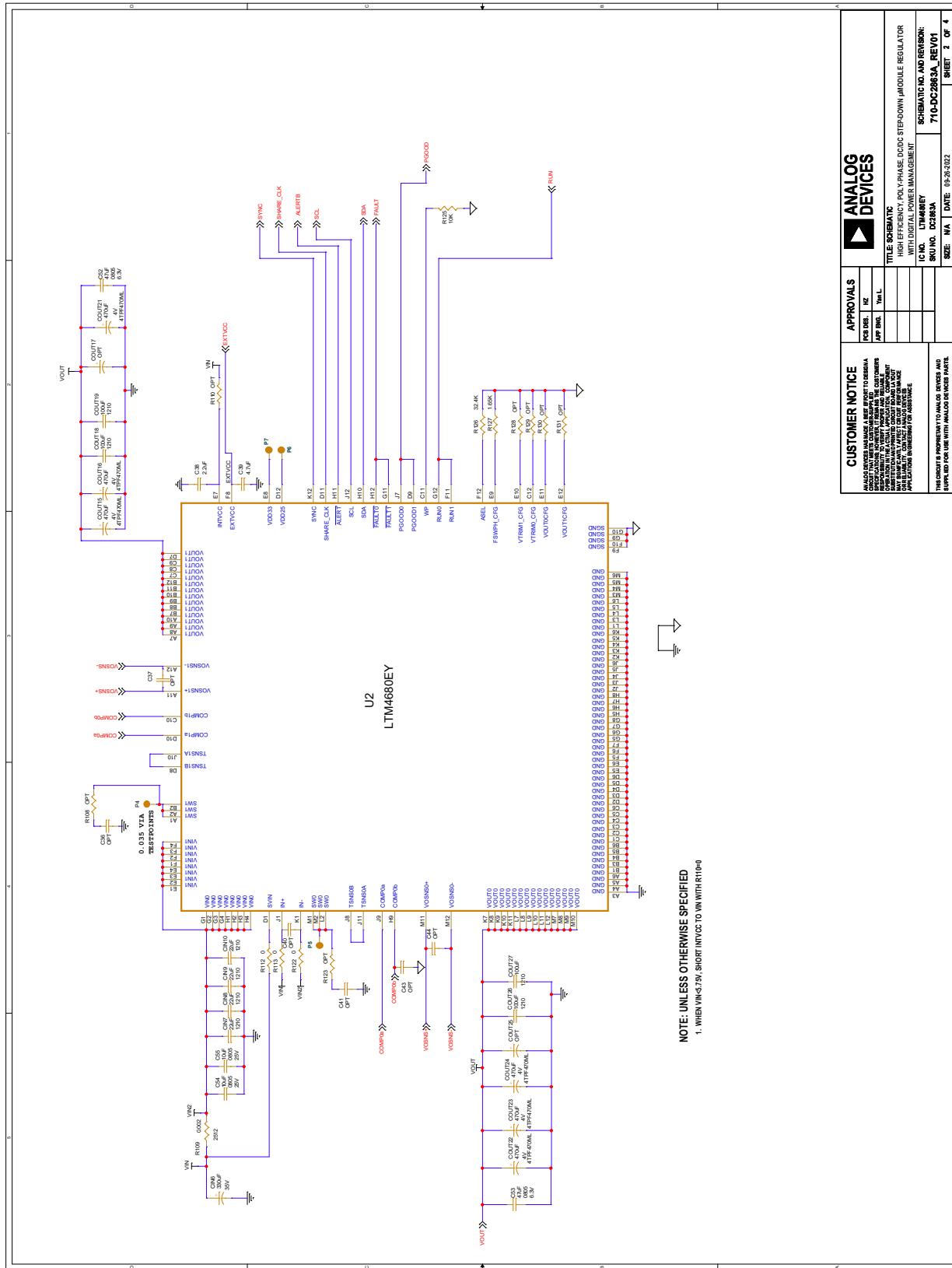


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 1. ALL RESISTORS AND CAP ARE 0603.
 2. WHEN VIN>3.75V, SHORT INVCC TO VIN WITH R084
 3. WHEN INVCC IS USED, R108 OPEN

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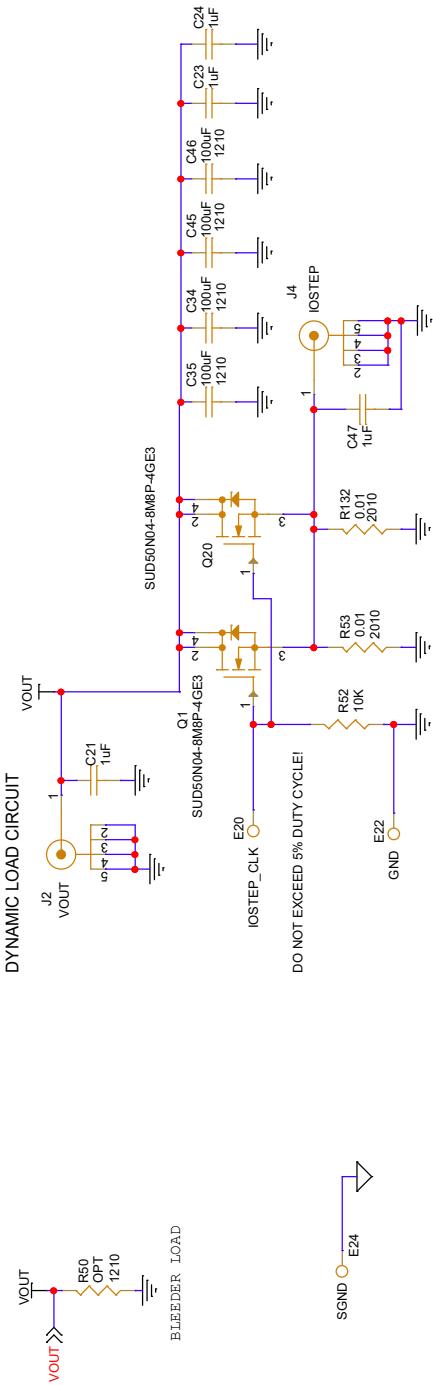
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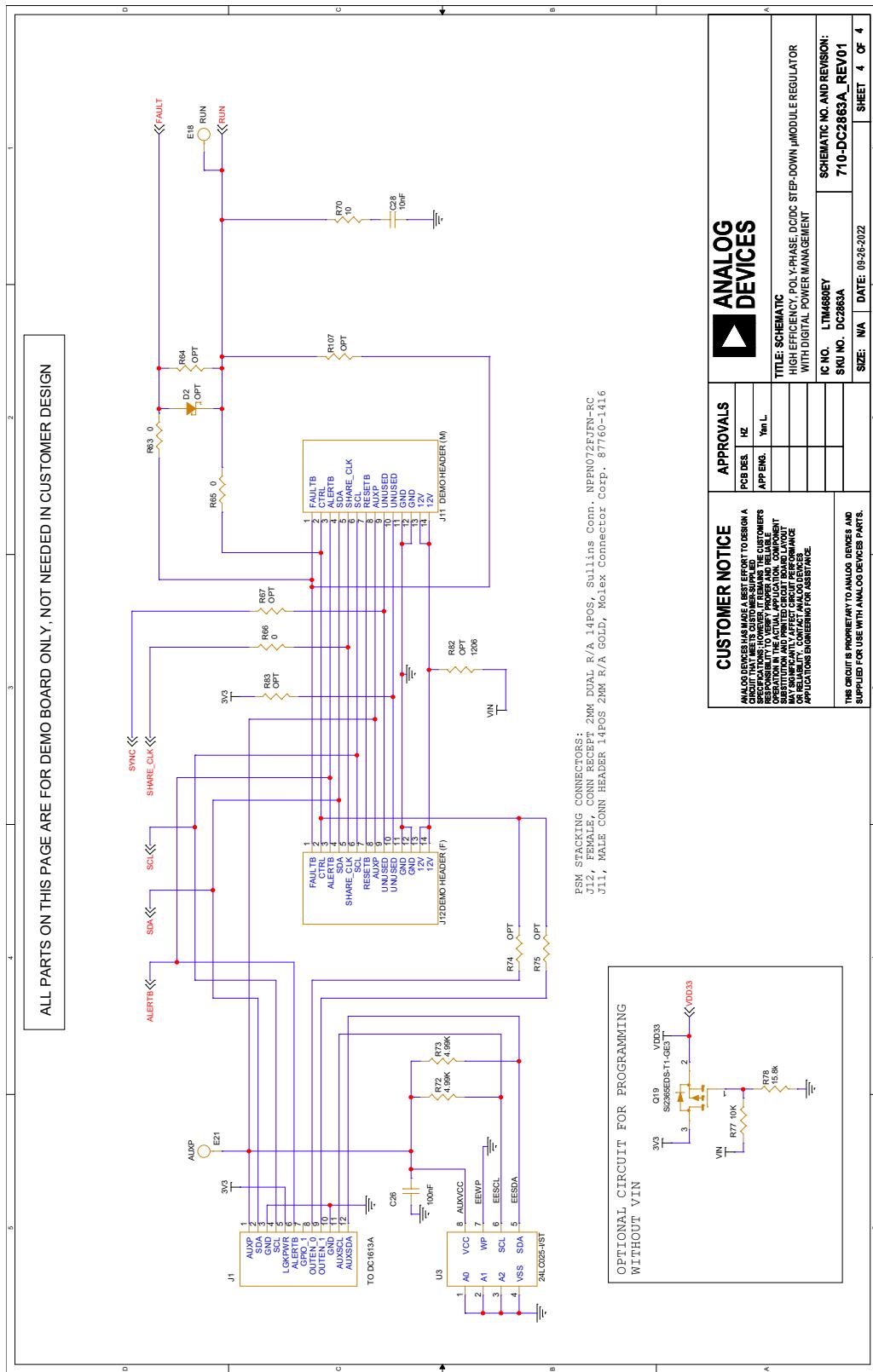


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