

# LT8610A

## 42V, 3.5A Micropower Synchronous Step-Down Regulator

### DESCRIPTION

Demonstration circuit 2139A is a 42V, 3.5A micropower synchronous step-down regulator featuring the LT<sup>®</sup>8610A. The LT8610A is a compact, high efficiency, high speed synchronous monolithic step-down switching regulator that consumes only 2.5 $\mu$ A of quiescent current when output is regulated at 5V and is unloaded. The 2139A uses two input ceramic capacitors in series to improve reliability in case of an input capacitor short failure. Top and bottom power switches, compensation components and other necessary circuits are inside of the LT8610A to minimize external components and simplify design.

The SYNC pin on the demo board is grounded by default for low ripple burst mode operation. To synchronize to an external clock, move JP1 to SYNC and apply the external clock to the SYNC turret. Once JP1 is on SYNC position, a DC voltage of higher than 2V or INTV<sub>CC</sub> can be applied to the SYNC turret for pulse-skipping operation. Figure 1 shows the efficiency of the circuit at 12V input.

Figure 2 shows the thermal performance of the circuit. When running at input voltage greater than 30V, 3.5A

output current and 2MHz switching frequency, the temperature rise will be significant. Either reducing the input voltage, the output current or the switching frequency will bring the temperature down to acceptable level without external cooling.

The demo board has an EMI filter installed. The board and the IC are designed to minimize conducted and radiated EMI. The radiated EMI performances of the board are shown in Figure 3 to Figure 5. The limits on those figures are CISPR25, Class 5 peak limits. The circuit passes the test with a wide margin.

The LT8610A data sheet gives a complete description of the part, operation and application information. The data sheet must be read in conjunction with this quick start guide for demo circuit 2139A.

**Design files for this circuit board are available at <http://www.linear.com/demo>**

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### PERFORMANCE SUMMARY Specifications are at T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C

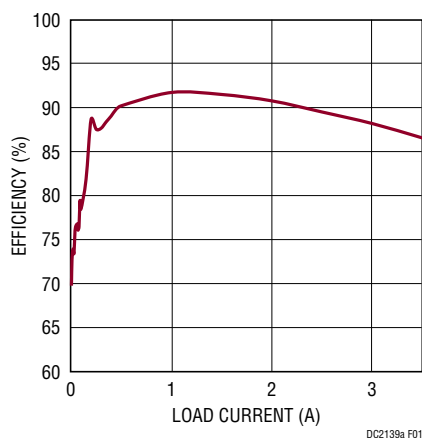
SYMBOL	PARAMETER	CONDITIONS	MIN	TYP	MAX	UNITS
V <sub>IN</sub> *	Input Supply Range		5.5		42	V
V <sub>OUT</sub>	Output Voltage		4.8	5	5.2	V
I <sub>OUT</sub>	Maximum Output Current		3.5			A
F <sub>SW</sub>	Switching Frequency		1.85	2	2.15	MHz
EFE	Efficiency at DC	I <sub>OUT</sub> = 1A		92		%

\*Refer to Figure 2 to determine the maximum input voltage. If IC temperature exceeds target, reduce input voltage, output current or switching frequency.

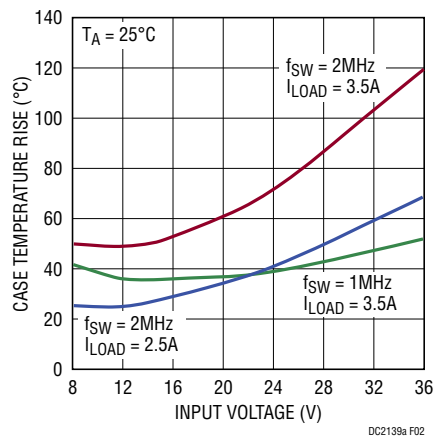
## QUICK START PROCEDURE

Demonstration circuit 2139A is easy to set up to evaluate the performance of the LT8610A. Refer to Figure 6 and Figure 7 for proper measurement equipment setup and follow the procedure below:

1. With power off, connect the input power supply to  $V_{IN}$  and GND. When evaluating EMI performance, input power supply should be connected between VEMI and GND.
2. With power off, connect the load  $V_{OUT}$  and GND.
3. Check JP1 setting
4. Turn on the power at the input.
5. Carefully evaluate other design parameters as needed.



**Figure 1. LT8610A 12V<sub>IN</sub> to 5V<sub>OUT</sub> Efficiency at 2MHz Switching Frequency**



**Figure 2. LT8610A Case Temperature Rise, V<sub>OUT</sub> = 5V, T<sub>A</sub> = 25°C**

## QUICK START PROCEDURE

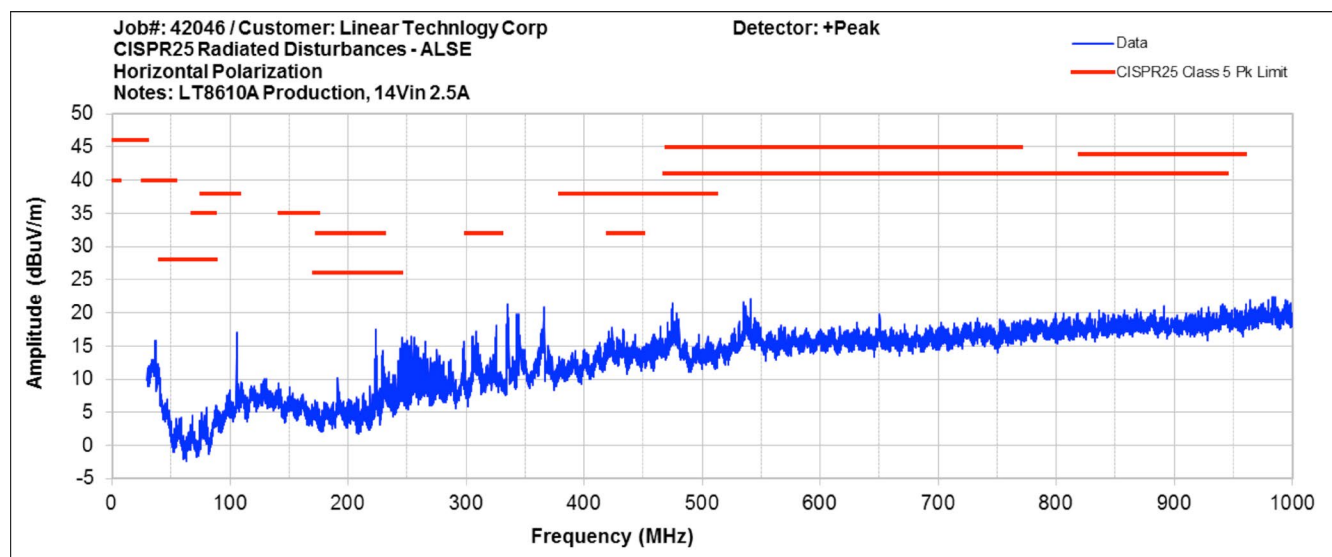


Figure 3. 30MHz to 1GHz Radiated EMI Performance.  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 5V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 2.5A$   
 Antenna Polarization: Horizontal; Switching Frequency: 2MHz.

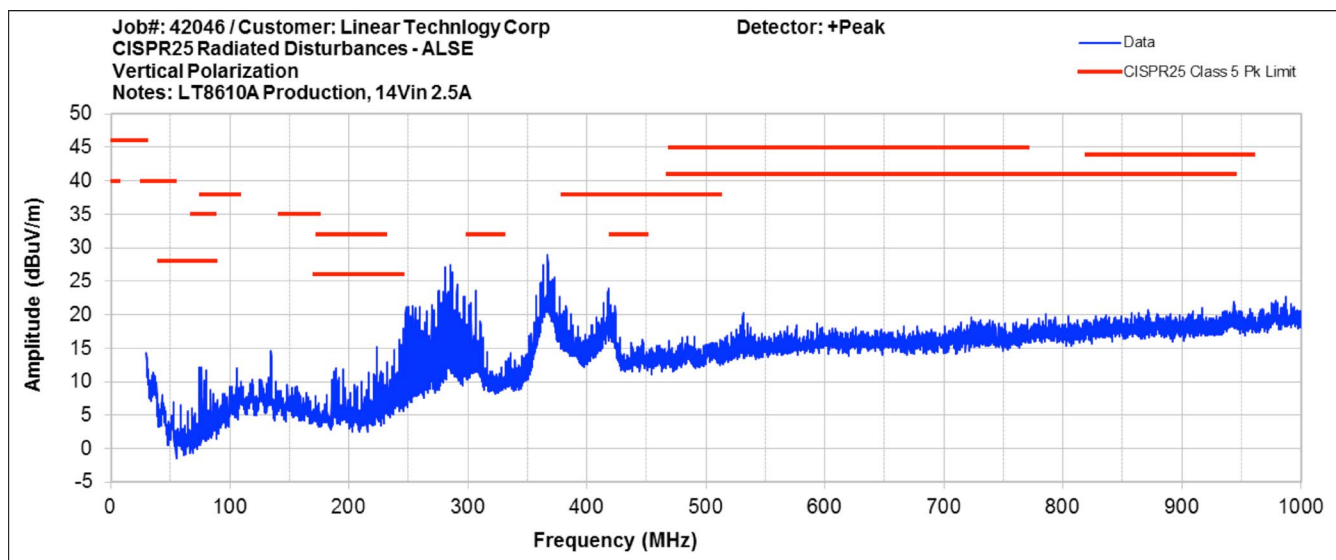
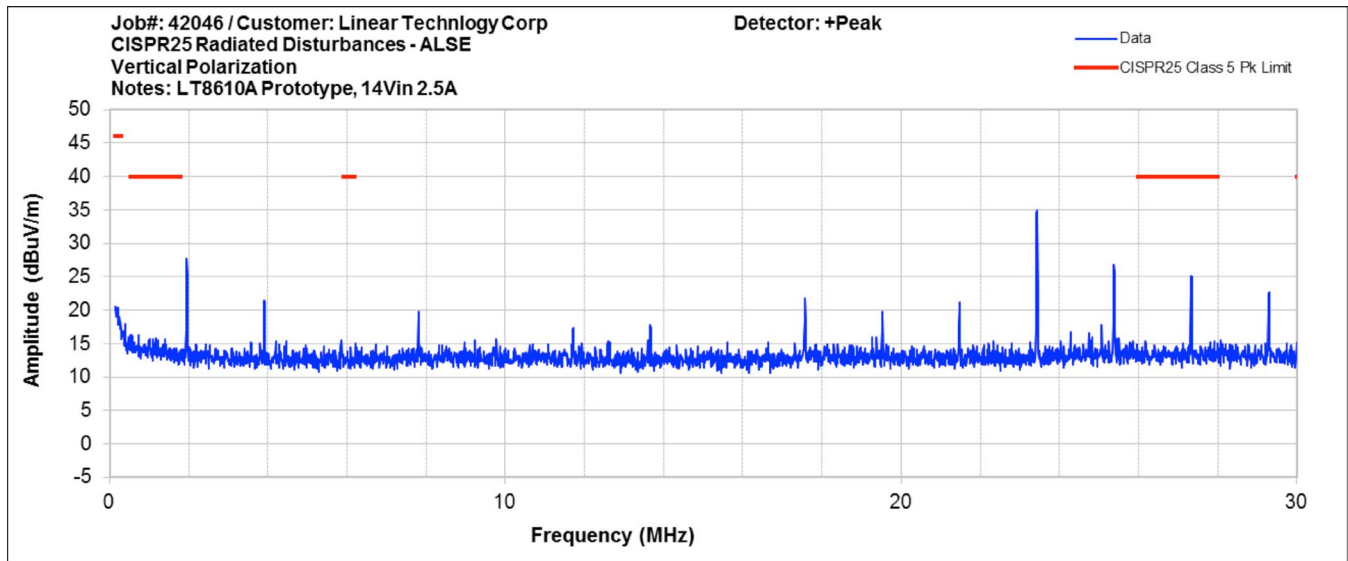


Figure 4. 30MHz to 1GHz Radiated EMI Performance.  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 5V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 2.5A$   
 Antenna Polarization: Vertical; Switching Frequency: 2MHz.

## QUICK START PROCEDURE



**Figure 5. 150kHz to 30MHz Radiated EMI Performance.  $V_{IN} = 12V$ ,  $V_{OUT} = 5V$ ,  $I_{OUT} = 2.5A$   
Antenna Polarization: Vertical; Switching Frequency: 2MHz.  
(In the frequency range between 150kHz and 30MHz, only vertical polarization is required)**

**QUICK START PROCEDURE**

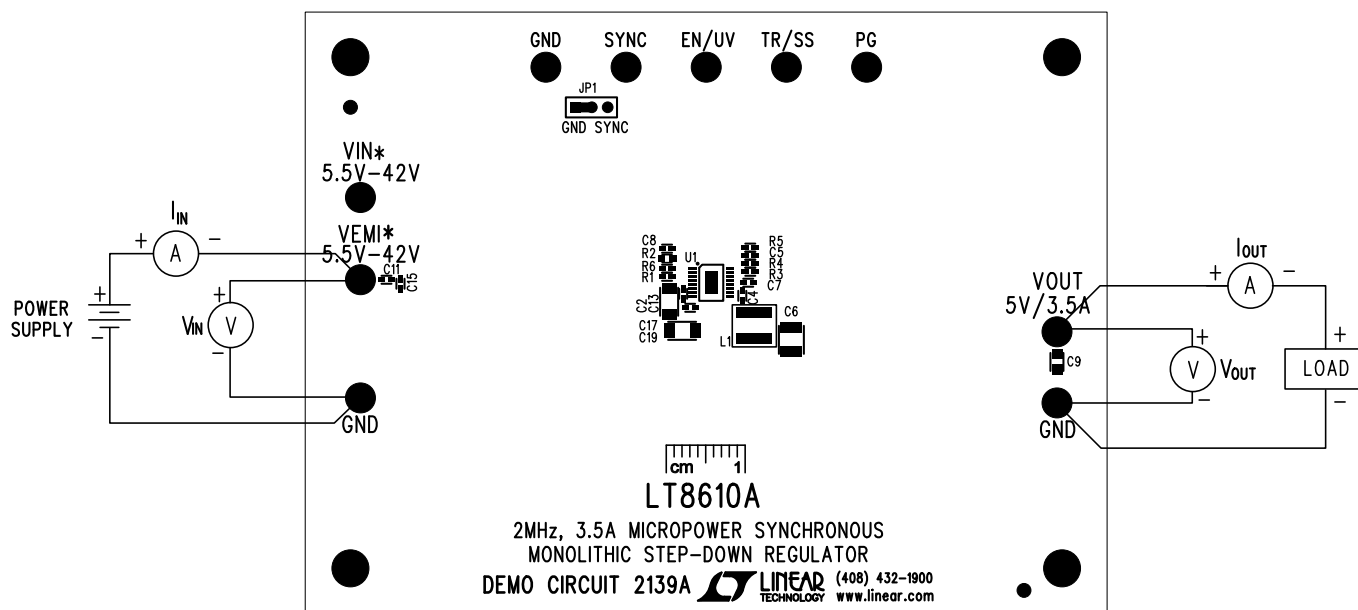


Figure 6. Proper Measurement Equipment Setup

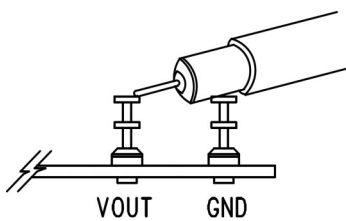


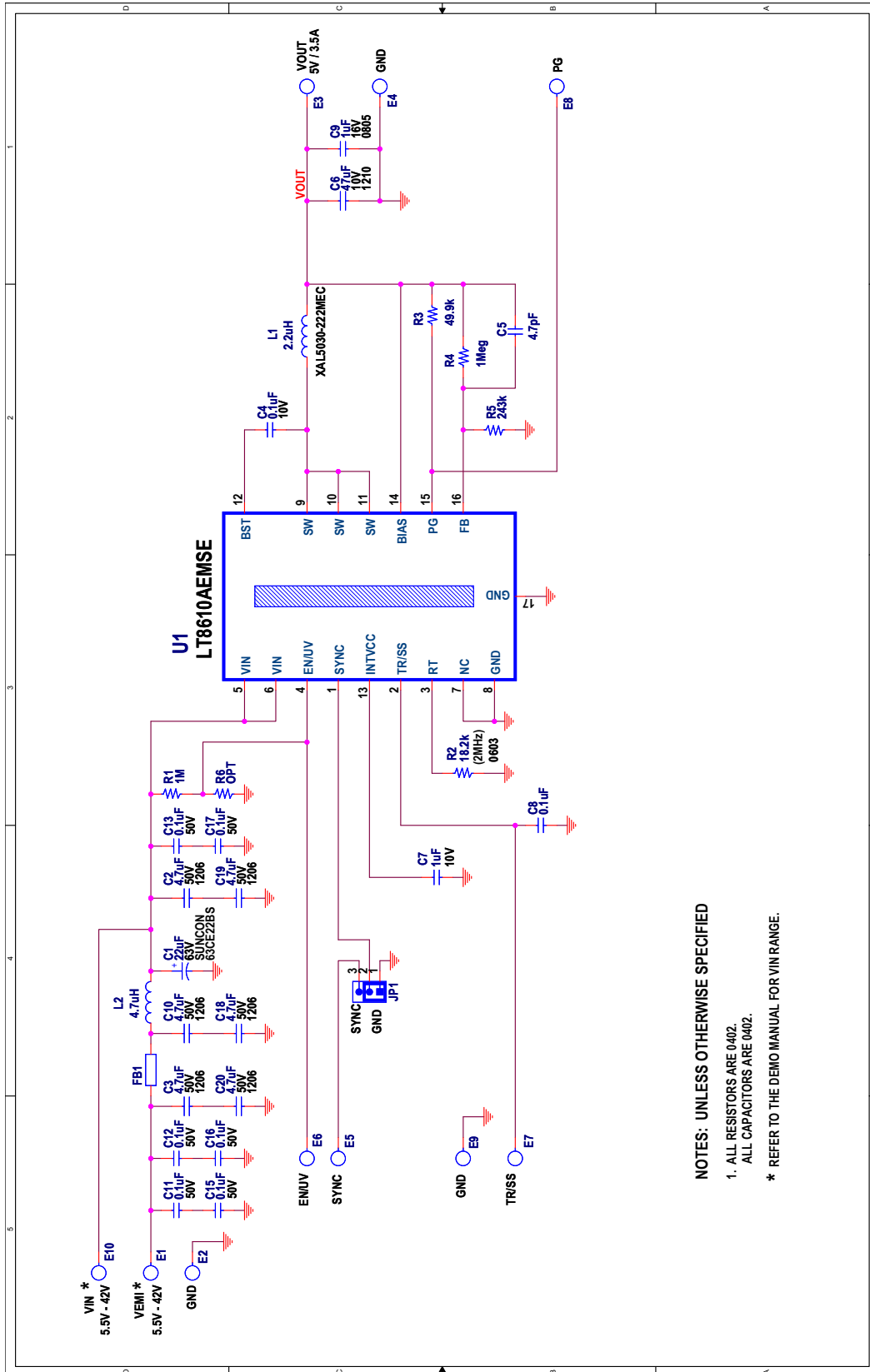
Figure 7. Measure Output Ripple

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## PARTS LIST

ITEM	QTY	REFERENCE	PART DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER/PART NUMBER
<b>Required Circuit Components</b>				
1	2	C2, C19	CAP, X7R, 4.7µF, 50V, 10%, 1206	MURATA, GRM31CR71H475KA12L
2	2	C4, C8	CAP, X7R, 0.1µF, 16V, 10%, 0402	MURATA, GRM155R71C104KA88D
3	1	C5	CAP, C0G, 4.7pF, 25V, ±0.1pF, 0402	MURATA, GRM1555C1E4R7BZ01D
4	1	C6	CAP, X7R, 47µF, 10V, 10%, 1210	MURATA, GRM32ER71A476KE15L
5	1	C7	CAP, X5R, 1µF, 10V, 10%, 0402	MURATA, GRM155R61A105K
6	1	L1	IND, 2.2UH	COILCRAFT, XAL5030-222MEC
7	2	R1, R4	RES, CHIP, 1M, 1/16W, 1% 0402	NIC, NRC04F1004TRF
8	1	R2	RES, CHIP, 18.2k, 1/10W, 1% 0603	VISHAY, CRCW060318K2FKED
9	1	R3	RES, CHIP, 49.9k, 1/16W, 1% 0402	VISHAY, CRCW040249K9FKED
10	1	R5	RES, CHIP, 243k, 1/16W, 1% 0402	VISHAY, CRCW0402243KFKED
11	1	U1	IC, LT8610AEMSE MSE16	LINEAR TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION, LT8610AEMSE#PBF
<b>Additional Demo Board Circuit Components</b>				
1	1	C1	CAP, ALUM, 22µF, 63V	SUN ELECT, 63CE22BS
2	4	C3, C10, C18, C20	CAP, X7R, 4.7µF, 50V, 10%, 1206	MURATA, GRM31CR71H475KA12L
3	1	C9	CAP, X7R, 1µF, 16V, 10%, 0805	AVX, 0805YC105KAT2A
4	6	C11, C12, C13, C15, C16, C17	CAP, X7R, 0.1µF, 50V, 10%, 0402	TDK, C1005X7R1H104K
5	1	FB1	FERRITE BEAD 0805	TDK, MPZ2012S101AT
6	1	L2	IND 4.7UH	VISHAY, IHLP2020BZ-ER4R7M01
7	0	R6	RES, OPT, 0402	OPT
<b>Hardware: For Demo Board Only</b>				
1	10	E1 TO E10	TESTPOINT, TURRET, 0.094" pbf	MILL-MAX, 2501-2-00-80-00-00-07-0
2	1	JP1	3 PIN 0.079 SINGLE ROW HEADER	SAMTEC, TMM103-02-L-S
3	1	XJP1	SHUNT, 0.079" CENTER	SAMTEC, 2SN-BK-G
4	4	MH1 TO MH4	STAND-OFF, NYLON 0.50" TALL	KEYSTONE, 8833(SNAP ON)

**SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM**



**NOTES: UNLESS OTHERWISE SPECIFIED**  
 1. ALL RESISTORS ARE 0402.  
 ALL CAPACITORS ARE 0402.  
 \* REFER TO THE DEMO MANUAL FOR VIN RANGE.

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