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Evaluates: MAX17553 (MAX17553A) MAX17553A Evaluation Kit

General Description

The MAX17553A evaluation kit (EV kit) is a fully assembled and tested circuit board that demonstrates the performance of the MAX17553A, a 4V to 60V, 50mA, Ultra-Small, High Efficiency, Synchronous Step-Down DC-DC Converter in an 8-pin TDFN (2mm x 2mm) package. The EV kit is designed to operate over a 4.5V to 60V input and provides a 3.3V, 50mA output. The EV kit is set up to turn ON at 8V(max) and turn OFF at 4.4V(max) using EN/UV and HYST pins. The step-down converter is programmed to switch at a 150kHz frequency and delivers a peak efficiency of 91% with supplied components.

The EV kit is simple to use and easily configurable with minimal external components. The MAX17553A features programmable input EN/UV and HYST threshold, programmable frequency, and an open-drain **RESET** signal. The device offers built-in hiccup mode protection for overload and short circuit conditions, and thermal shutdown. The EV kit is complaint with CISPR32 class B standard.

Features

- 4.5V to 60V Input-Voltage Range for the Step-Down Converter
- 3.3V Output Voltage, Up To 50mA Continuous Load Current
- 91% Peak Efficiency
- Minimal Number of External Components
- 150kHz Switching Frequency
- Resistor Programmable Input Enable-Undervoltage (EN/UV) and Hysteresis (HYST)
- Internal Loop Compensation
- 3.2ms (typ) Internal Soft-Start Time
- Open-Drain **RESET** Output to Monitor Output Voltage
- Boot-strap from output voltage to Improve Efficiency
- Hiccup-mode Overcurrent and Overtemperature Protection
- Proven PCB Layout
- Fully Assembled and Tested

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EV Kit Photo



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Quick Start

Configuration Diagram

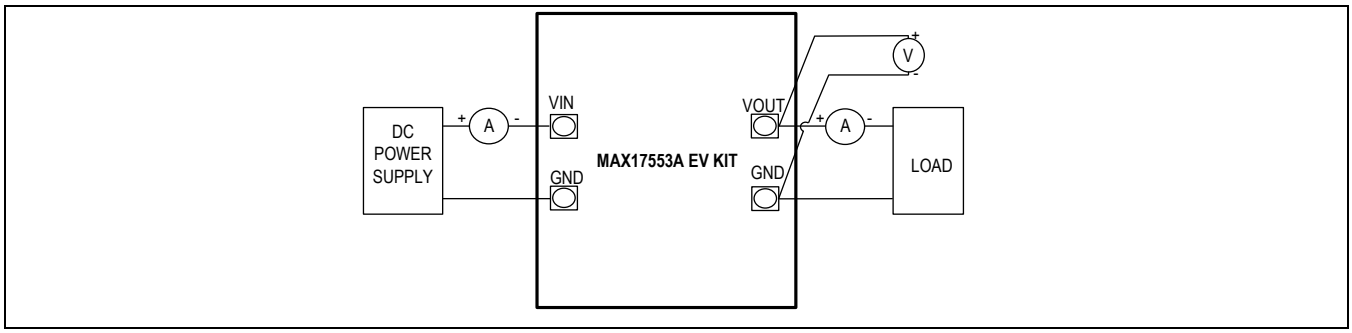


Figure 1. MAX17553A EV Kit Setup Diagram

Required Equipment

- MAX17553AEVKIT#
- 60V adjustable, 0.5A DC power supply
- Load resistors capable of sinking up to 50mA at 3.3V
- Digital multimeters (DMM)

EV Kit Setup and Procedure

A typical bench setup for the MAX17553A EV kit is shown in *Figure 1*.

The EV kit is fully assembled and tested. Follow the steps to verify and test the operation of individual converters.

Warning:

- Do not turn on the power supply until all connections are completed.
- Do not touch any part of the circuit with bare hands or conductive materials when powered up.
- Make sure all high-voltage capacitors are fully discharged before handling. Allow 5 minutes after disconnecting the input power source before touching circuit parts.

Equipment Setup and Procedure

1. Set the power supply to a voltage between 8V and 60V. Disable the power supply.
2. Connect the positive terminal of the power supply to the VIN PCB pad and the negative terminal to the nearest GND PCB pad. Connect the positive terminal of the 50mA load to the VOUT PCB pad and the negative terminal to the nearest GND PCB pad.
3. Set the digital multimeter to voltage mode and connect across the VOUT PCB pad and the nearest GND PCB pad.
4. Enable the power supply.
5. Verify that the output voltmeter displays 3.3V and, if required, measure the output current using a DMM in ammeter mode.
6. If required, vary the input voltage from 4.5V to 60V and the load current from 0mA to 50mA, then verify that the output voltage is 3.3V with respect to GND.

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Detailed Description

The MAX17553A EV kit provides a proven design to evaluate the MAX17553A, a 4V to 60V, 50mA ultra-small, high efficiency, synchronous step-down DC-DC converter. The EV kit comes with installed components for delivering 3.3V, 50mA (max) output current from a 4.5V to 60V input. The EV kit can be used to verify the EN/UV and HYST features of the MAX17553A. The EV kit is programmed to switch at a fixed frequency of 150kHz. The EV kit can be programmed to switch at a different frequency with an appropriate output inductor (L1) and an output capacitor (C6). The EV kit can also be used to verify the output overload or short circuit protection, and thermal shutdown protection. Refer to the MAX17553A IC datasheet to change the EV kit configuration to a different specification.

Setting the Input EN/UV Level with HYST

The device offers an adjustable input undervoltage and adjustable hysteresis levels. Set the voltage at which the device turns on and turns off with a resistor network connected between IN, EN/UV, HYST, and GND pins (see *Figure 2*). Choose R1 to be 3.32MΩ (max) and then calculate R2 and R3 as follows:

$$R2 = \frac{V_{ENF} \times R1}{\left(V_{IN(OFF)} - V_{ENF}\right)}$$

$$R3 = \frac{V_{ENR} \times R1 \times R2}{\left(V_{IN(ON)} \times R2 - V_{ENR} \times (R1 + R2)\right)}$$

where $V_{IN(ON)}$ and $V_{IN(OFF)}$ are the voltages at which the device is required to turn on and turn off respectively. Refer to the MAX17553 IC data sheet for more information.

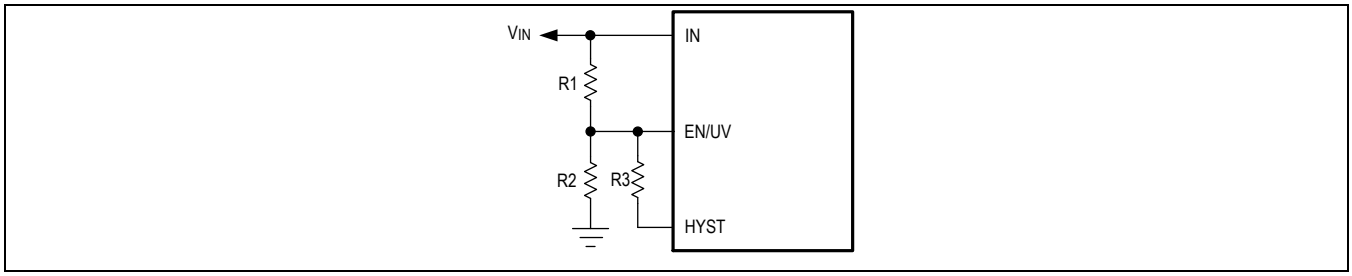


Figure 2. Setting the Input Undervoltage Level with Hysteresis

$\overline{\text{RESET}}$ Output

The EV kit provides a **$\overline{\text{RESET}}$** PCB pad to monitor the stepdown converter output. **$\overline{\text{RESET}}$** goes to high impedance 30µs after the step-down converter outputs rise above 95% of the programmed output voltage. **$\overline{\text{RESET}}$** goes low when the regulator output voltage drops below 92% (typ) of the programmed output voltage. **$\overline{\text{RESET}}$** also goes low when EN/UV voltage falls below its threshold value. Refer to the MAX17553 IC data sheet for more information.

Hot Plug-In and Long Input Cables

The MAX17553AEVKIT# PCB layout provides an optional electrolytic capacitor (C5). This capacitor limits the peak voltage at the input of the converter when the DC input source is hot-plugged to the EV kit input terminals with long input cables. The equivalent series resistance (ESR) of the electrolytic capacitor dampens the oscillations caused by interaction between the inductance of the long input cables and the ceramic capacitors at the buck converter input.

Electromagnetic Interference

Compliance to conducted emission (CE) standards requires an electromagnetic interference (EMI) filter at the input of a switching power converter. The EMI filter attenuates high-frequency currents drawn by the switching power converter and limits the noise injected back into the input power source.

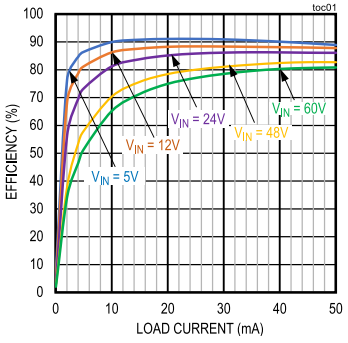
The MAX17553AEVKIT# has designated footprints for the placement of conducted EMI filter components as per the bill of materials (BOM). Use of these filter components results in lower conducted EMI below CISPR32 Class B limits. Cut open the trace at L2 before installing conducted EMI filter components. The EV kit layout is also designed to limit radiated emissions from switching nodes of the power converter and complies with CISPR32 Class B RE limits.

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Typical Operating Characteristics

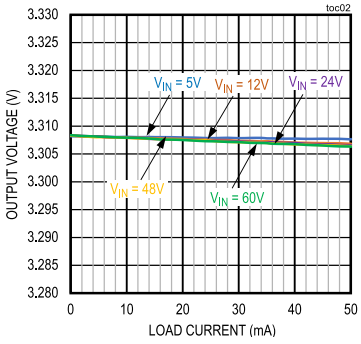
(V_{IN} = V_{EN} = 24V, T_A = +25°C, unless otherwise noted.)

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EFFICIENCY vs. LOAD CURRENT



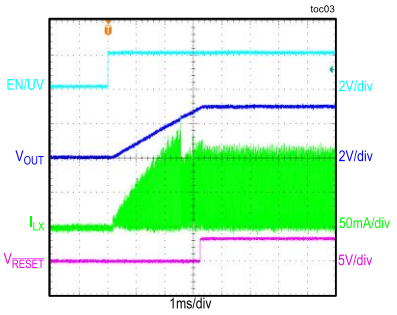
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OUTPUT VOLTAGE vs. LOAD CURRENT



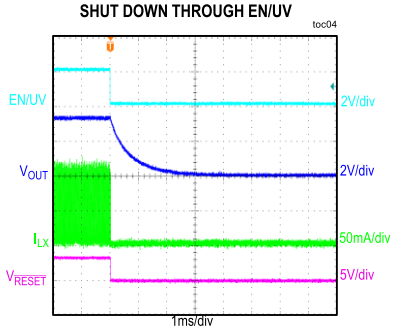
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SOFT-START THROUGH EN/UV



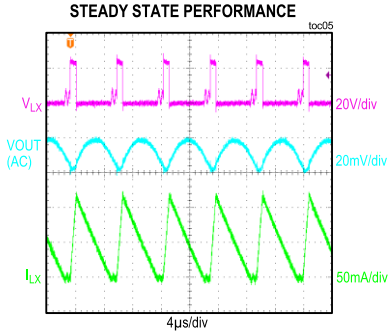
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SHUT DOWN THROUGH EN/UV



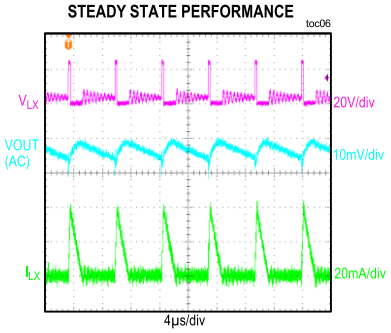
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STEADY STATE PERFORMANCE



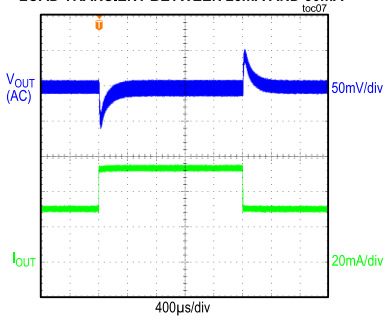
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STEADY STATE PERFORMANCE



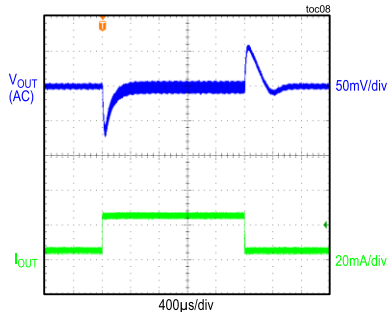
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LOAD TRANSIENT BETWEEN 25mA AND 50mA



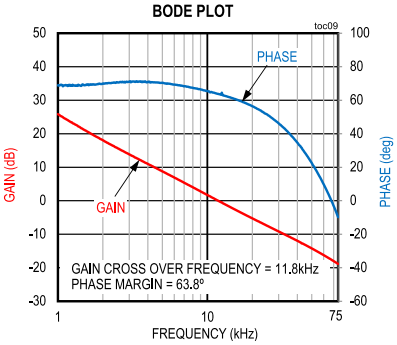
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LOAD TRANSIENT BETWEEN 5mA AND 25mA



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BODE PLOT



CONDITIONS: 3.3V OUTPUT, 50mA LOAD, f_{SW} = 150kHz

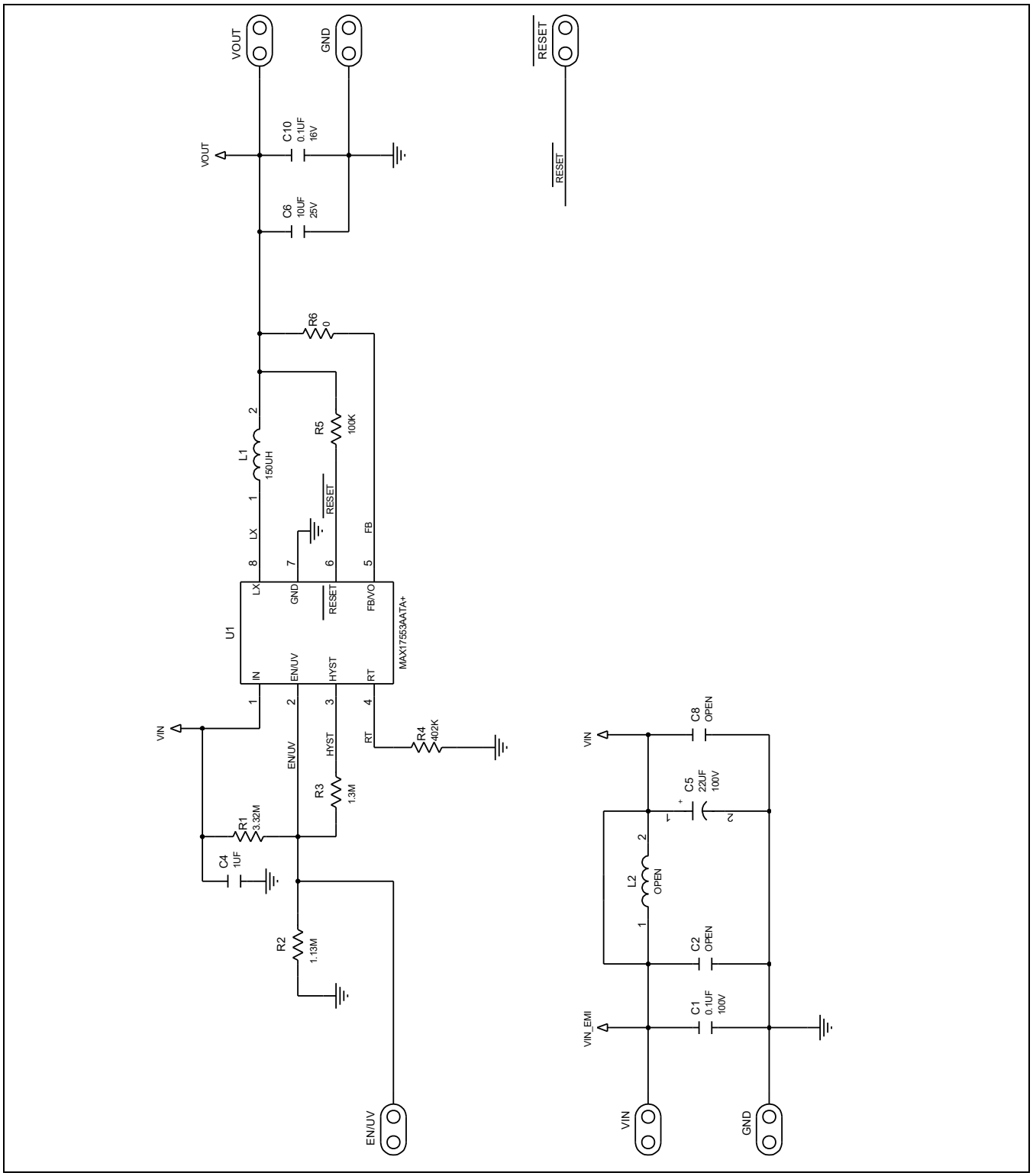
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MAX17553A EV Kit Bill of Materials

ITEM	QTY	DESIGNATOR	DESCRIPTION	MANUFACTURER PART NUMBER
1	1	C1	0.1µF, 10%, 100V, X7R,Ceramic capacitor (0603)	MURATA GRM188R72A104KA35
2	1	C4	1µF, 10%, 100V, X7R,Ceramic capacitor (1206)	TDK C3216X7R2A105K160AA
3	1	C5	22µF, 20%, 100V, Electrolytic capacitor	PANASONIC EEE-TG2A220UP
4	1	C6	10µF, 10%, 25V, X7R,Ceramic capacitor (0805)	MURATA GRM21BZ71E106KE15
5	1	C10	0.1µF, 10%, 16V, X7R, Ceramic capacitor (0402)	MURATA GRM155R71C104KA88
6	1	R1	3.32MΩ, ±1%, 1/16W, resistor (0402)	VISHAY CRCW04023M32FK
7	1	R2	1.13MΩ, ±1%, 1/16W, resistor (0402)	VISHAY CRCW04021M13FK
8	1	R3	1.3MΩ, ±1%, 1/16W, resistor (0402)	VISHAY CRCW04021M30FK
9	1	R4	402kΩ, ±1%, 1/16W, resistor (0402)	VISHAY CRCW0402402KFK
10	1	R5	100kΩ, ±1%, 1/16W, resistor (0402)	VISHAY CRCW0402100KFK
11	1	R6	0Ω, 1/10W, resistor (0402)	PANASONIC ERJ-2GE0R00
12	1	L1	INDUCTOR, 150µH, 0.30A	COILCRAFT LPS4018-154MR
13	1	U1	4V to 60V, 50mA, Step-Down DC-DC Converter	MAXIM MAX17553AATA+
14	0	L2	INDUCTOR, 15µH, 0.58A	COILCRAFT LPS3015-153MR
15	0	C2	Ceramic capacitor (0805)	NA
16	0	C8	Ceramic capacitor (1206)	NA

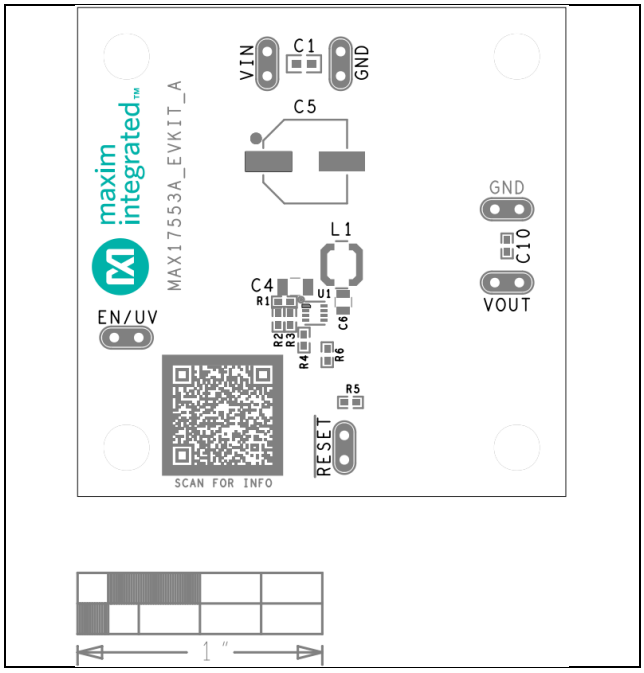
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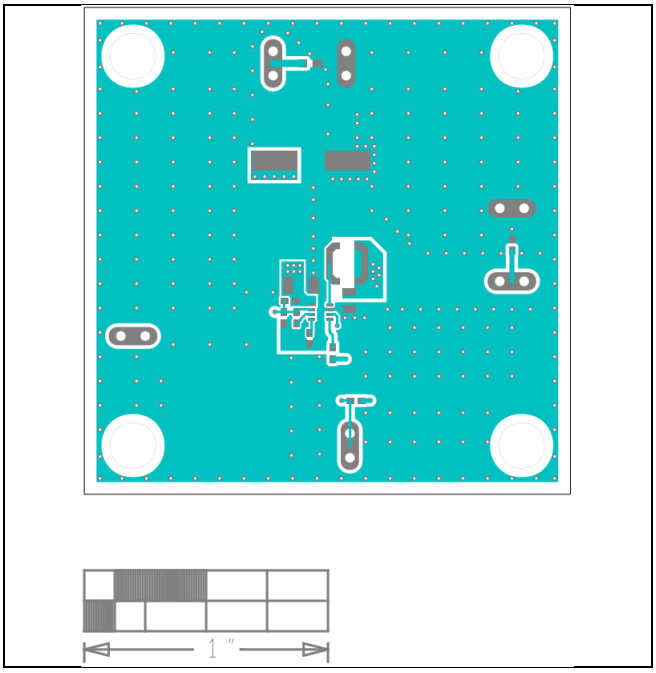


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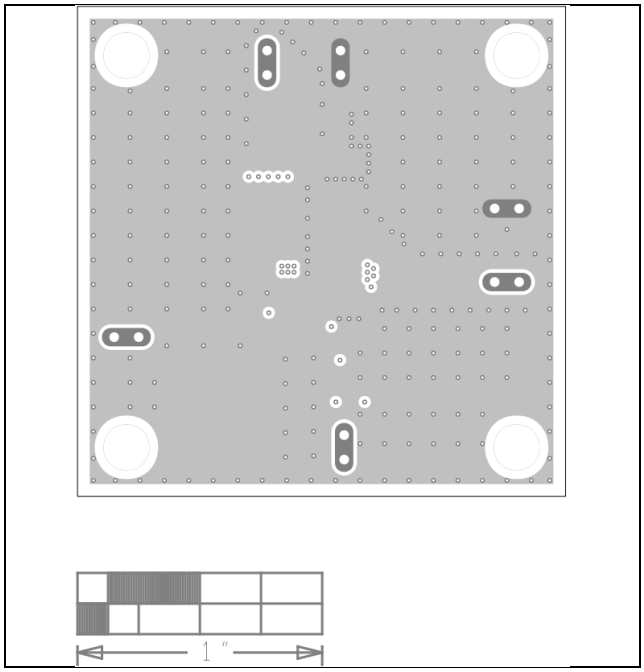
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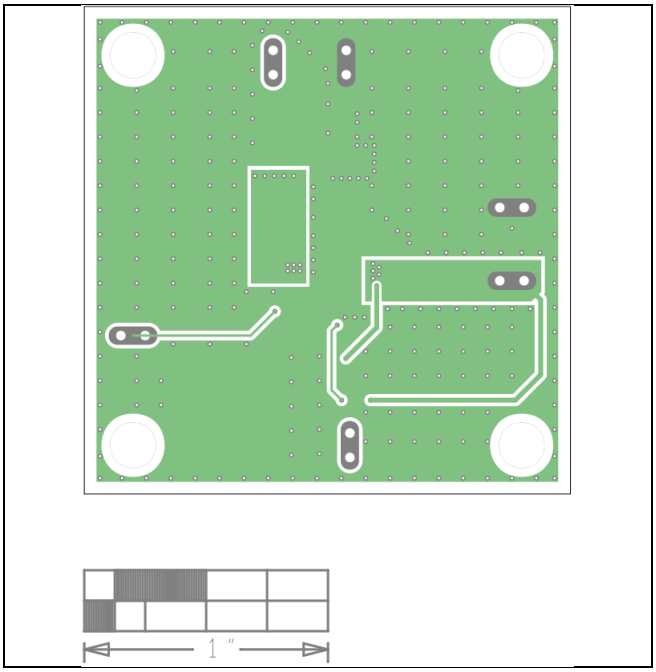
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MAX17553A EV Kit PCB Layout—Top Layer



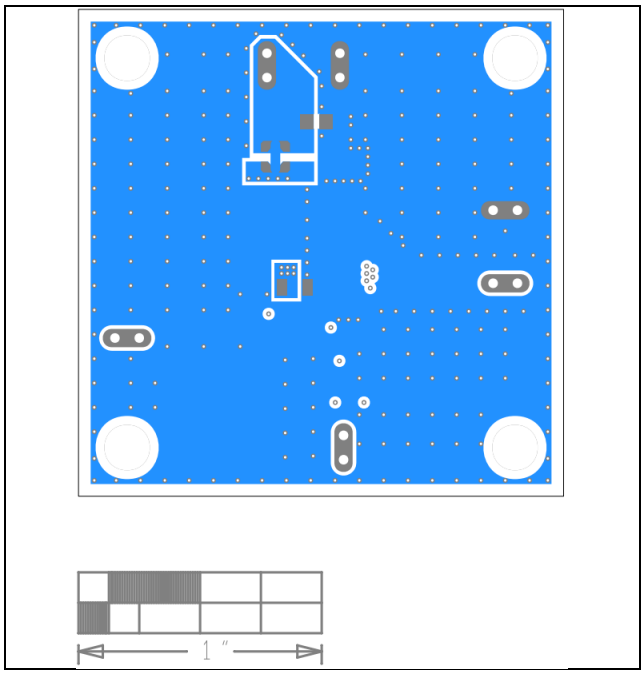
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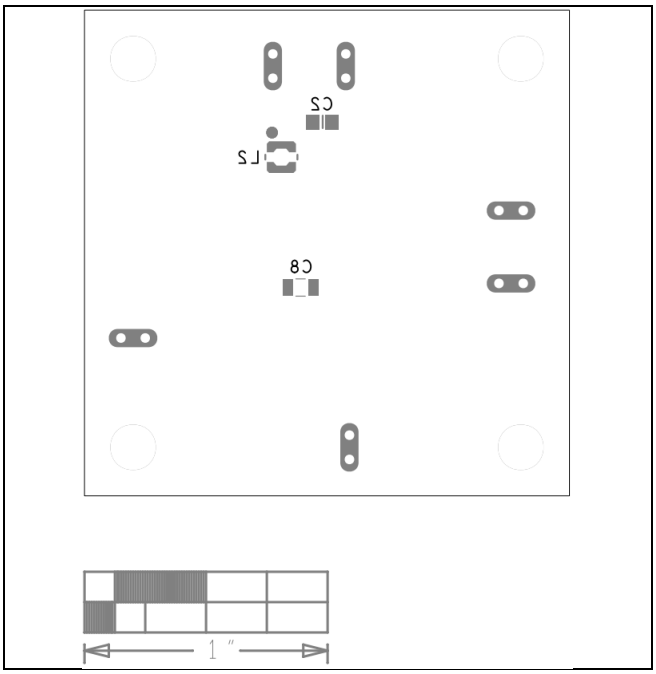
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MAX17553A EV Kit PCB Layout—Bottom Layer



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