

### Features

- Requires few external components
- NPN output switches 3.0A, can stand off 65V
- Wide input voltage range: 3.5V to 40V
- Current-mode operation for improved transient response, line regulation, and current limit
- 52 kHz internal oscillator
- Soft-start function reduces in-rush current during start-up
- Output switch protected by current limit, under-voltage lockout, and thermal shutdown

### Applications

- Simple boost regulator
- Flyback and forward regulators
- Multiple-output regulator

### General Description

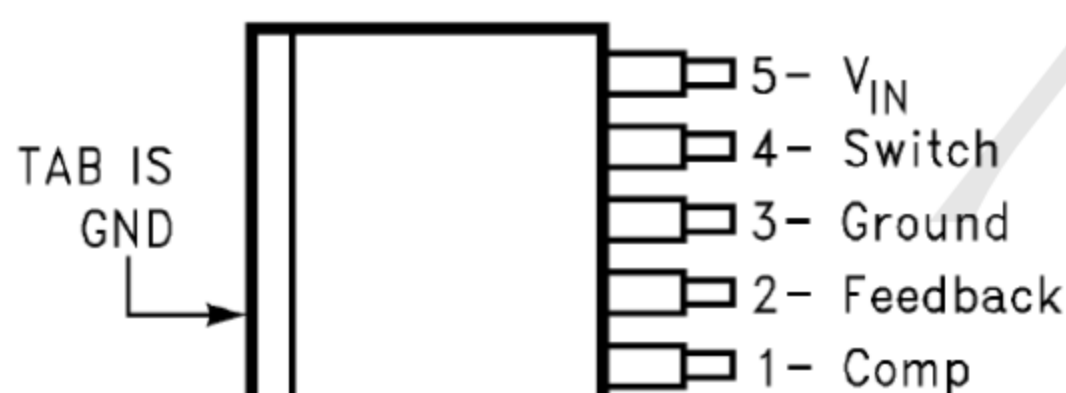
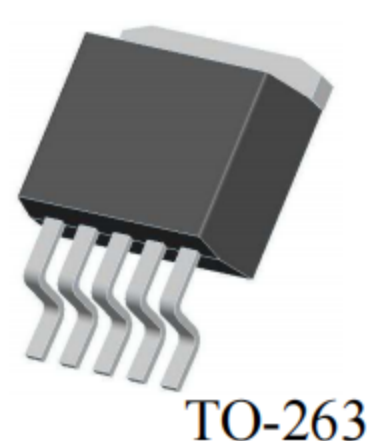
The LM2577S-ADJ is a monolithic integrated circuit that provide all of the power and control functions for step-up (boost), flyback, and forward converter switching regulators.

Requiring a minimum number of external components, these regulators are cost effective, and simple to use. Listed in this data sheet are a family of standard inductors and flyback transformers designed to work with these switching regulators.

Included on the chip is a 3.0A NPN switch and its associated protection circuitry, consisting of current and thermal limiting, and undervoltage lockout. Other features include a 52 kHz fixed-frequency oscillator that requires no external components, a soft start mode to reduce in-rush current during start-up, and current mode control for improved rejection of input voltage and output load transients.

The LM2577S-ADJ is available in TO263-5L package.

## PIN CONFIGURATION



## Absolute Maximum Ratings

Characteristic	Limit	Unit
Supply voltage	45	V
Output switch voltage	65	V
Output switch current *2	6.0	A
Power dissipation	Internally limited	
Storage temperature range	-65~+150	°C
Lead temperature (soldering, 10 sec.)	260	°C
Maximum junction temperature	150	°C
Minimum ESD rating (C=100pF, R=1.5kΩ)	2	kV

**Note 1:** Absolute Maximum Ratings indicate limits beyond which damage to the device may occur. Operating ratings indicate conditions the device is intended to be functional, but device parameter specifications may not be guaranteed under these conditions. For guaranteed specifications and test conditions, see the Electrical Characteristics.

**Note 2:** Due to timing considerations of the LM2577S-ADJ current limit circuit, output current cannot be internally limited when the LM2577S-ADJ is used as a step-up regulator. To prevent damage to the switch, its current must be externally limited to 6.0A. However, output current is internally limited when the LM2577S-ADJ is used as a flyback or forward converter regulator in accordance to the Application Hints.

## Recommended Operating Rating

Characteristic	Limit	Unit
Supply voltage	3.5~40	V
Output switch voltage	0~60	V
Output switch current	≤3.0	A
Junction temperature range	-40~+125	°C



## Electrical Characteristics

Characteristic	Symbol	Test conditions	Min.	Typ.	Max	Unit
<b>System Parameters</b> circuit of figure 3 *4						
Output voltage	$V_{OUT}$	$V_{IN}=5V$ to $10V$ $I_{LOAD}=100mA$ to $800mA$ *5	11.60/ 11.40	12	12.40/ 12.60	V
Line regulation	$\frac{\Delta V_{OUT}}{\Delta V_{IN}}$	$V_{IN}=3.5V$ to $10V$ $I_{LOAD}=300mA$		20	50/ 100	mV
Load regulation	$\frac{\Delta V_{OUT}}{\Delta I_{LOAD}}$	$V_{IN}=5V$ , $I_{LOAD}=100mA$ to $800mA$		20	50/ 100	mV
Efficiency	$\eta$	$V_{IN}=5V, I_{LOAD}=800mA$		80		%
<b>Device Parameters</b>						
Input supply current	$I_S$	$V_{FEEDBACK}=1.5V$ (switch off)		7.5	10.0/ 14.0	mA
		$I_{SWITCH}=2.0A$ $V_{COMP}=2.0V$ (max duty cycle)		25	50/ 85	mA
Input supply undervoltage lockout	$V_{UV}$	$I_{SWITCH}=100mA$	2.70/ 2.65	2.90	3.10/ 3.15	V
Oscillator frequency	$f_O$	Measured at switch pin $I_{SWITCH}=100mA$	48/ 42	52	56/ 62	kHz
Output reference voltage	$V_{REF}$	Measured at feedback pin $V_{IN}=3.5V$ to $40V$ $V_{COMP}=1.0V$	1.214/ 1.206	1.230	1.246/ 1.254	V
Output reference voltage line regulator	$\frac{\Delta V_{REF}}{\Delta V_{IN}}$	$V_{IN}=3.5V$ to $40V$		0.5		mV
Error amp input bias current	$I_B$	$V_{COMP}=1.0V$		100	300/8 00	nA
transconductance	$G_M$	$I_{COMP}=-30\mu A$ to $+30\mu A$	2400/1	3700	5800	$\mu mho$
Error amp voltage gain	$A_{VOL}$	$V_{COMP}=1.1V$ to $1.9V$	500/	800		V/V
Error amplifier output				24		V
		$V_{FEEDBACK}=1.5V$		0.3	0.40/	V
Error amplifier output			$\pm 130/$	$\pm 200$	$\pm 300/$	$\mu A$
Soft start current	$I_{SS}$		1.5	5.0	9.5	$\mu A$
Maximum duty cycle	D			95		%
Switch transconductance	$\frac{\Delta I_{SWITCH}}{\Delta V_{COMP}}$			12.5		A/V

Switch leakage current	$I_L$	$V_{SWITCH}=65V$ $V_{FEEDBACK}=1.5V(\text{switch off})$		10	300/ 600	$\mu A$
Switch saturation current	$V_{SAT}$	$I_{SWITCH}=2.0A$ $V_{COMP}=2.0V(\text{max duty cycle})$		0.5	0.7/ 0.9	V
NPN switch current limit		$V_{COMP}=2.0V$	3.7/ 3.0	4.3	5.3/ 6.0	A

### Thermal Paramters(All Versions)

Characteristic	Symbol	Test conditions	Min.	Typ	Max	Unit
	$\theta_{JA}$	TO-263, Junction to ambient *7		37		$^{\circ}C/W$

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\*3: All limits guaranteed at room temperature (standard type face) and at temperature extremes (boldface type).

All room temperature limits are 100% production tested. All limits at temperature extremes are guaranteed via correlation using standard Statistical Quality Control (SQC) methods.

\*4: External components such as the diode, inductor, input and output capacitors can affect switching regulator performance. When the LM2577S-ADJ is used as shown in the Test Circuit, system performance will be as specified by the system parameters.

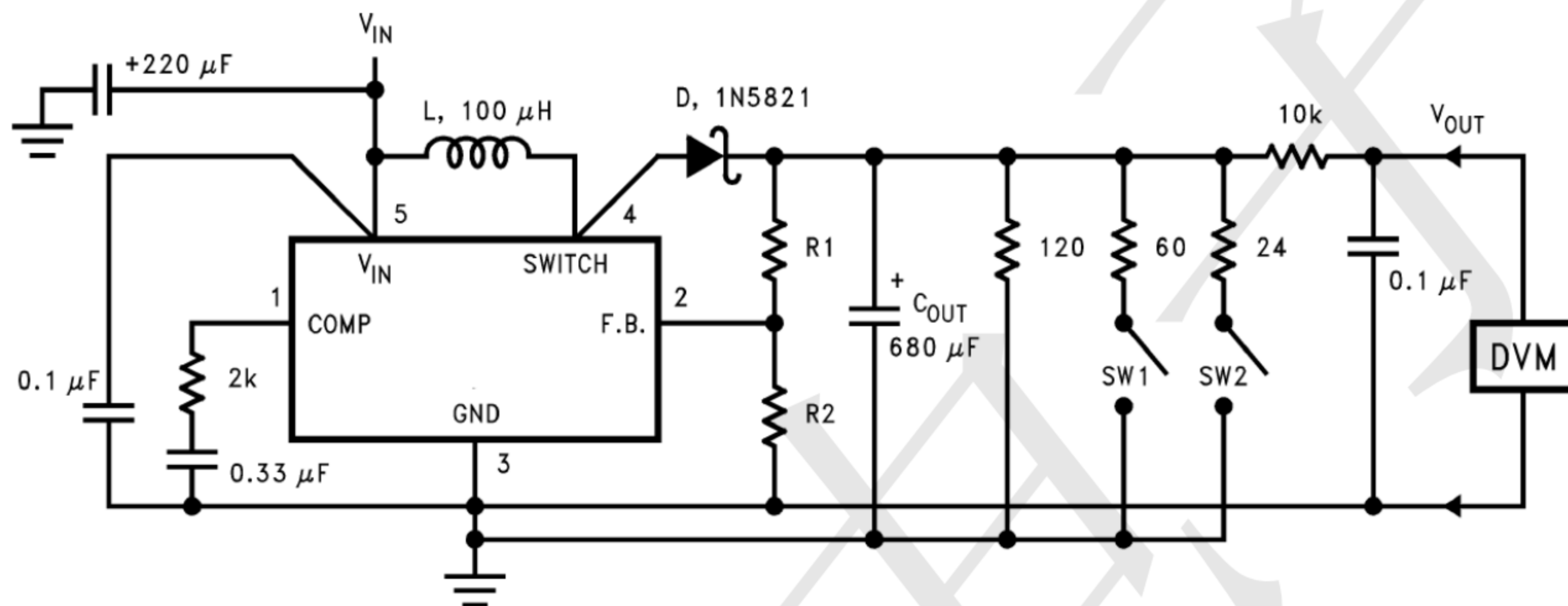
\*5: All limits guaranteed at room temperature (standard type face) and at temperature extremes (boldface type). All limits are used to calculate Outgoing Quality Level, and are 100% production tested.

\*6: A 1.0 M $\Omega$  resistor is connected to the compensation pin (which is the error amplifier's output) to ensure accuracy in measuring AVOL. In actual applications, this pin's load resistance should be  $\geq 10$  M $\Omega$ , resulting in AVOL that is typically twice the guaranteed minimum limit.

\*7: If the TO-263 package is used, the thermal resistance can be reduced by increasing the PC board copper area thermally connected to the package. Using 0.5 square inches of copper area,  $\theta_{JA}$  is 50 $^{\circ}C/W$ ; with 1 square inch of copper area,  $\theta_{JA}$  is 37 $^{\circ}C/W$ ; and with 1.6 or more square inches of copper area,  $\theta_{JA}$  is 32 $^{\circ}C/W$ .



### Test Circuit



**FIGURE 3.** Circuit Used to Specify System Parameters for ADJ Versions

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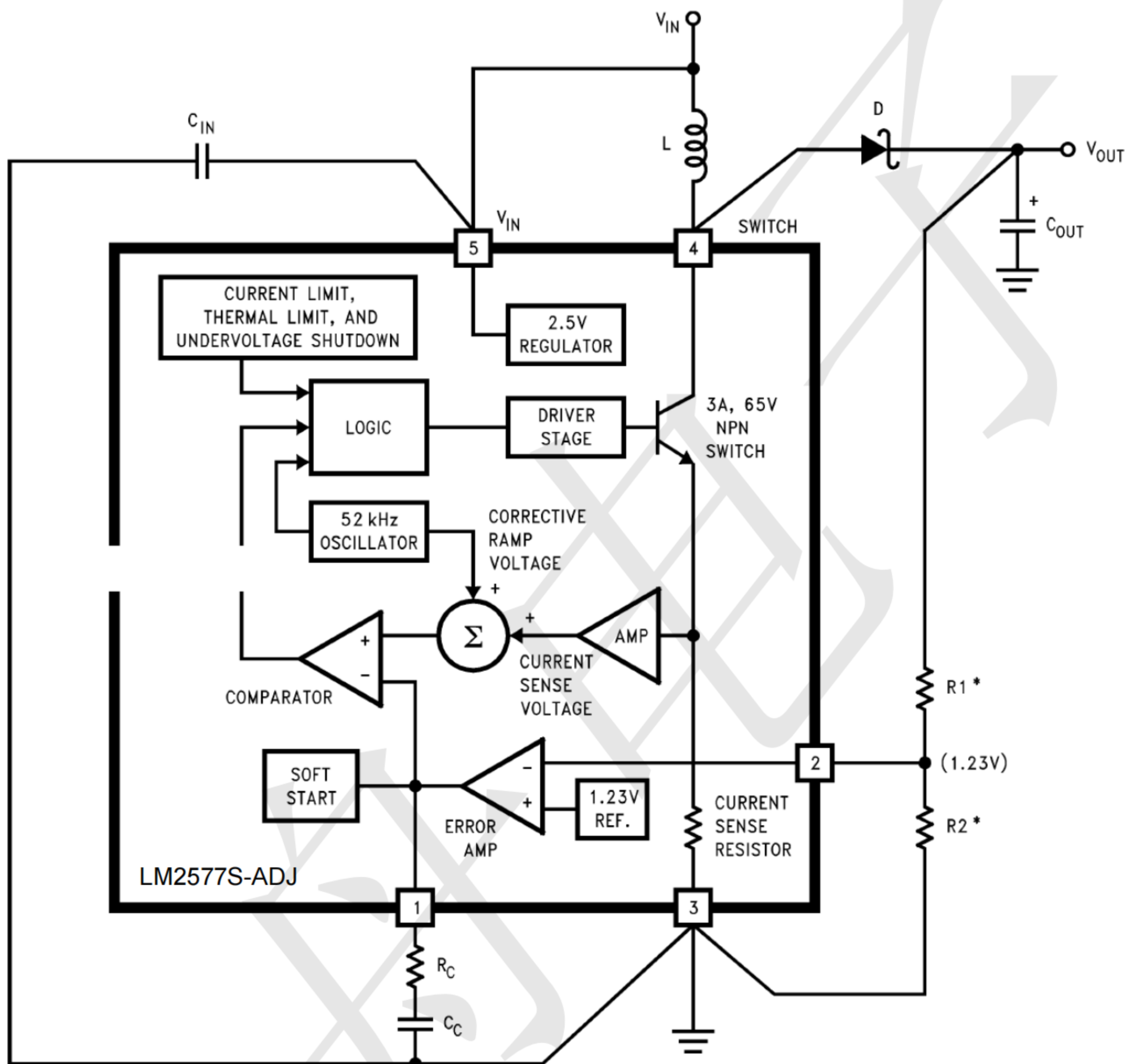
D = any manufacturer

COUT = Sprague Type 673D

Electrolytic 680 μF, 20V

R1 = 48.7k in series with 511Ω (1%)

R2 = 5.62k (1%)



**FIGURE 4. LM2577S-ADJ Block Diagram and Boost Regulator Application**

### Step-Up (boost) Regulator

Figure 4 shows the LM2577S-ADJ used as a Step-Up Regulator. This is a switching regulator used for producing an output voltage greater than the input supply voltage. The LM2577S-ADJ-12 and LM2577S-ADJ-15 can also be used for step-up regulators with 12V or 15V outputs (respectively), by tying the feedback pin directly to the regulator output.

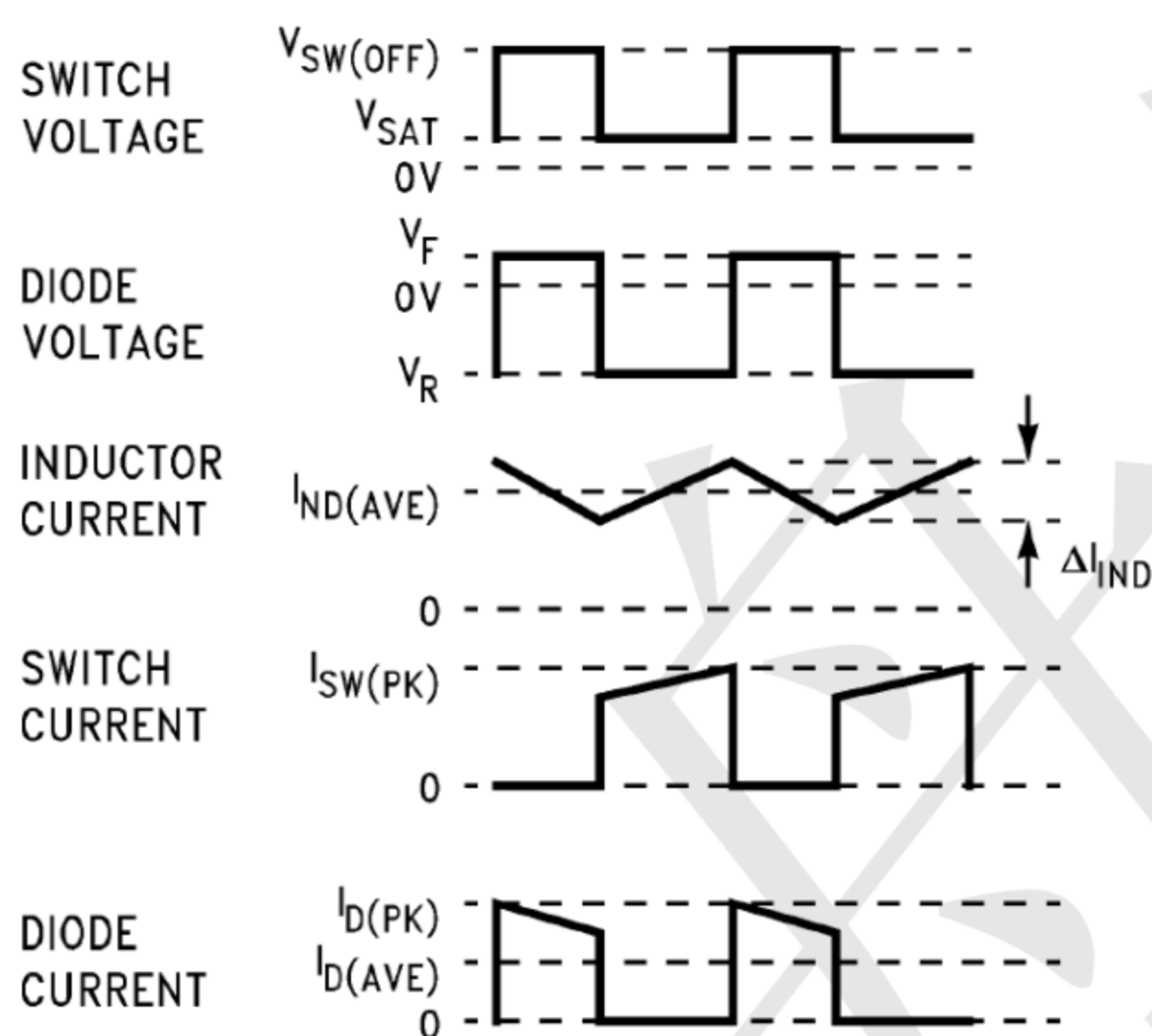
A basic explanation of how it works is as follows. The LM2577S-ADJ turns its output switch on and off at a frequency of 52 kHz, and this creates energy in the inductor (L). When the NPN switch turns on, the inductor current charges up at a rate of  $V_{IN}/L$ , storing current in the inductor. When the switch turns off, the lower end of



the inductor flies above  $V_{IN}$ , discharging its current through diode (D) into the output capacitor ( $C_{OUT}$ ) at a rate of  $(V_{OUT} - V_{IN})/L$ . Thus, energy stored in the inductor during the switch on time is transferred to the output during the switch off time. The output voltage is controlled by the amount of energy transferred which, in turn, is controlled by modulating the peak inductor current. This is done by feeding back a portion of the output voltage to the error amp,

which amplifies the difference between the feedback voltage and a 1.230V reference. The error amp output voltage is compared to a voltage proportional to the switch current (i.e., inductor current during the switch on time).

The comparator terminates the switch on time when the two voltages are equal, thereby controlling the peak switch current to maintain a constant output voltage. Voltage and current waveforms for this circuit are shown in Figure 5, and formulas for calculating them are given in Figure 6.



**FIGURE 5.** Step-Up Regulator Waveforms

Duty Cycle	D	$\frac{V_{OUT} + V_F - V_{IN}}{V_{OUT} + V_F - V_{SAT}} \approx \frac{V_{OUT} - V_{IN}}{V_{OUT}}$
Average Inductor Current	$I_{IND(AVE)}$	$\frac{I_{LOAD}}{1 - D}$
Inductor Current Ripple	$\Delta I_{IND}$	$\frac{V_{IN} - V_{SAT}}{L} \frac{D}{52,000}$
Peak Inductor Current	$I_{IND(PK)}$	$\frac{I_{LOAD(max)}}{1 - D_{(max)}} + \frac{\Delta I_{IND}}{2}$
Peak Switch Current	$I_{SW(PK)}$	$\frac{I_{LOAD(max)}}{1 - D_{(max)}} + \frac{\Delta I_{IND}}{2}$
Switch Voltage When Off	$V_{SW(OFF)}$	$V_{OUT} + V_F$
Diode Reverse Voltage	$V_R$	$V_{OUT} - V_{SAT}$
Average Diode Current	$I_{D(AVE)}$	$I_{LOAD}$
Peak Diode Current	$I_{D(PK)}$	$\frac{I_{LOAD}}{1 - D_{(max)}} + \frac{\Delta I_{IND}}{2}$
Power Dissipation of D2577	$P_D$	$0.25\Omega \left( \frac{I_{LOAD}}{1 - D} \right)^2 D + \frac{I_{LOAD} D V_{IN}}{50 (1 - D)}$

$V_F$  = Forward Biased Diode Voltage  
 $I_{LOAD}$  = Output Load Current

**FIGURE 6.** Step-Up Regulator Formulas

### Step-Up Regulator Design Procedure

The following design procedure can be used to select the appropriate external components for the circuit in

Figure 4, based on these system requirements.

**Given:**

$V_{IN(min)}$  = Minimum input supply voltage

$V_{OUT}$  = Regulated output voltage

$I_{LOAD(max)}$  = Maximum output load current

Before proceeding any further, determine if the LM2577S-ADJ can provide these values of  $V_{OUT}$  and  $I_{LOAD(max)}$  when operating with the minimum value of  $V_{IN}$ . The upper limits for  $V_{OUT}$  and  $I_{LOAD(max)}$  are given by the following equations.

$$V_{OUT} \leq 60V$$

$$\text{and } V_{OUT} \leq 10 \times V_{IN(min)}$$

$$I_{LOAD(max)} \leq \frac{2.1A \times V_{IN(min)}}{V_{OUT}}$$

These limits must be greater than or equal to the values specified in this application.

**1. Inductor Selection (L)**

**A. Voltage Options:**

1. For 12V or 15V output From Figure 7 (for 12V output) or Figure 8 (for 15V output), identify inductor code for region indicated by  $V_{IN(min)}$  and  $I_{LOAD(max)}$ . The shaded region indicates conditions for which the LM2577S-ADJ output switch would be operating beyond its switch current rating. The minimum operating voltage for the LM2577S-ADJ is 3.5V. From here, proceed to step C.

2. For Adjustable version Preliminary calculations:

The inductor selection is based on the calculation of the following three parameters:

$D_{(max)}$ , the maximum switch duty cycle ( $0 \leq D \leq 0.9$ ):

$$D_{(max)} = \frac{V_{OUT} + V_F - V_{IN(min)}}{V_{OUT} + V_F - 0.6V}$$

where  $V_F = 0.5V$  for Schottky diodes and  $0.8V$  for fast recovery diodes (typically);

$E \cdot T$ , the product of volts x time that charges the inductor:

$$E \cdot T = \frac{D_{(max)} (V_{IN(min)} - 0.6V) 10^6}{52,000 \text{ Hz}} \quad (V \cdot \mu s)$$

$I_{IND,DC}$ , the average inductor current under full load;

$$I_{IND,DC} = \frac{1.05 \times I_{LOAD(max)}}{1 - D_{(max)}}$$

**B. Identify Inductor Value:**

1. From Figure 9, identify the inductor code for the region indicated by the intersection of  $E \cdot T$  and  $I_{IND,DC}$ . This



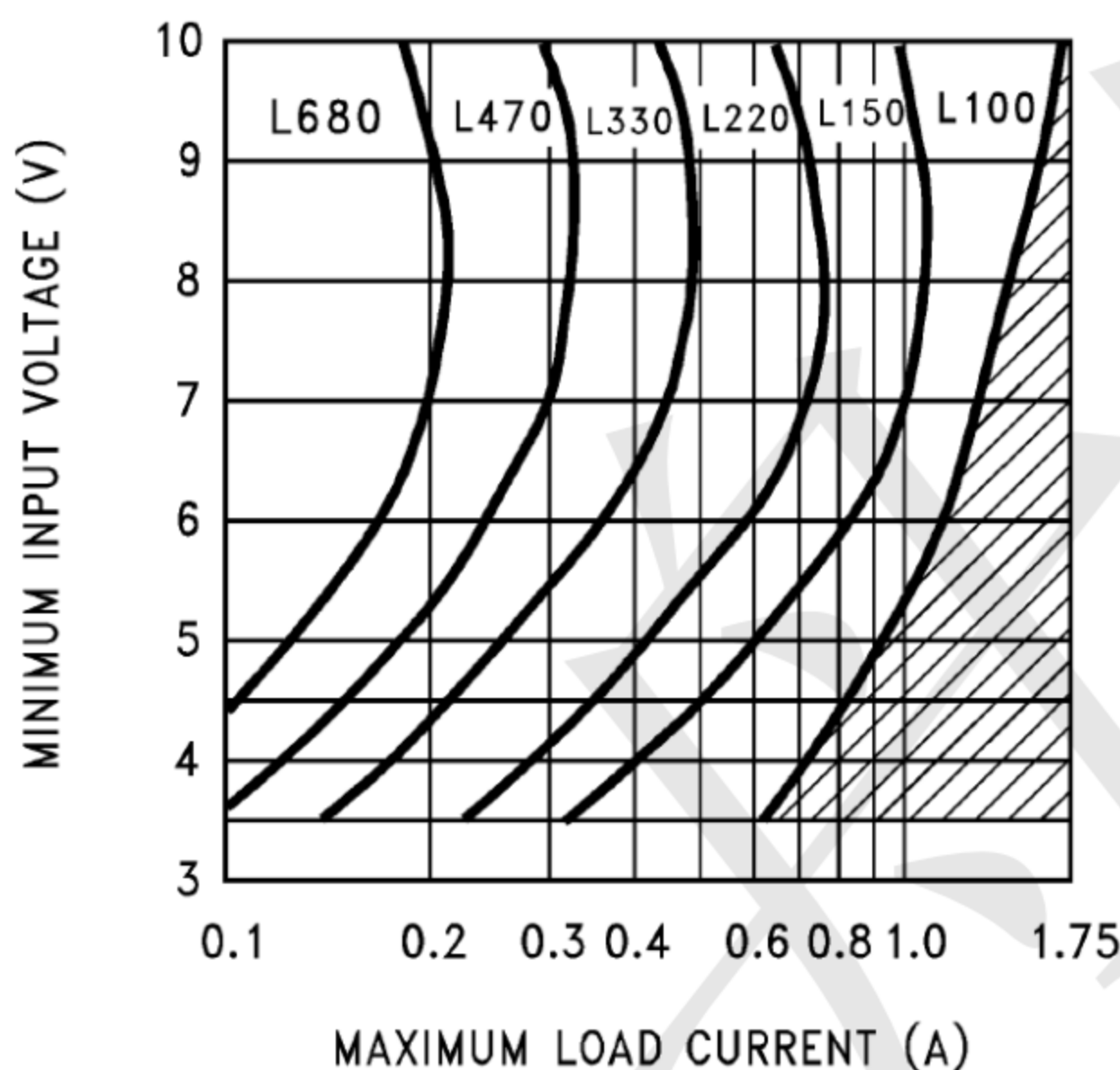
code gives the inductor value in microhenries. The L or H prefix signifies whether the inductor is rated for a maximum  $E \cdot T$  of  $90 \text{ V} \cdot \mu\text{s}$  (L) or  $250 \text{ V} \cdot \mu\text{s}$  (H).

2. If  $D < 0.85$ , go on to step C. If  $D \geq 0.85$ , then calculate the minimum inductance needed to ensure the switching regulator's stability:

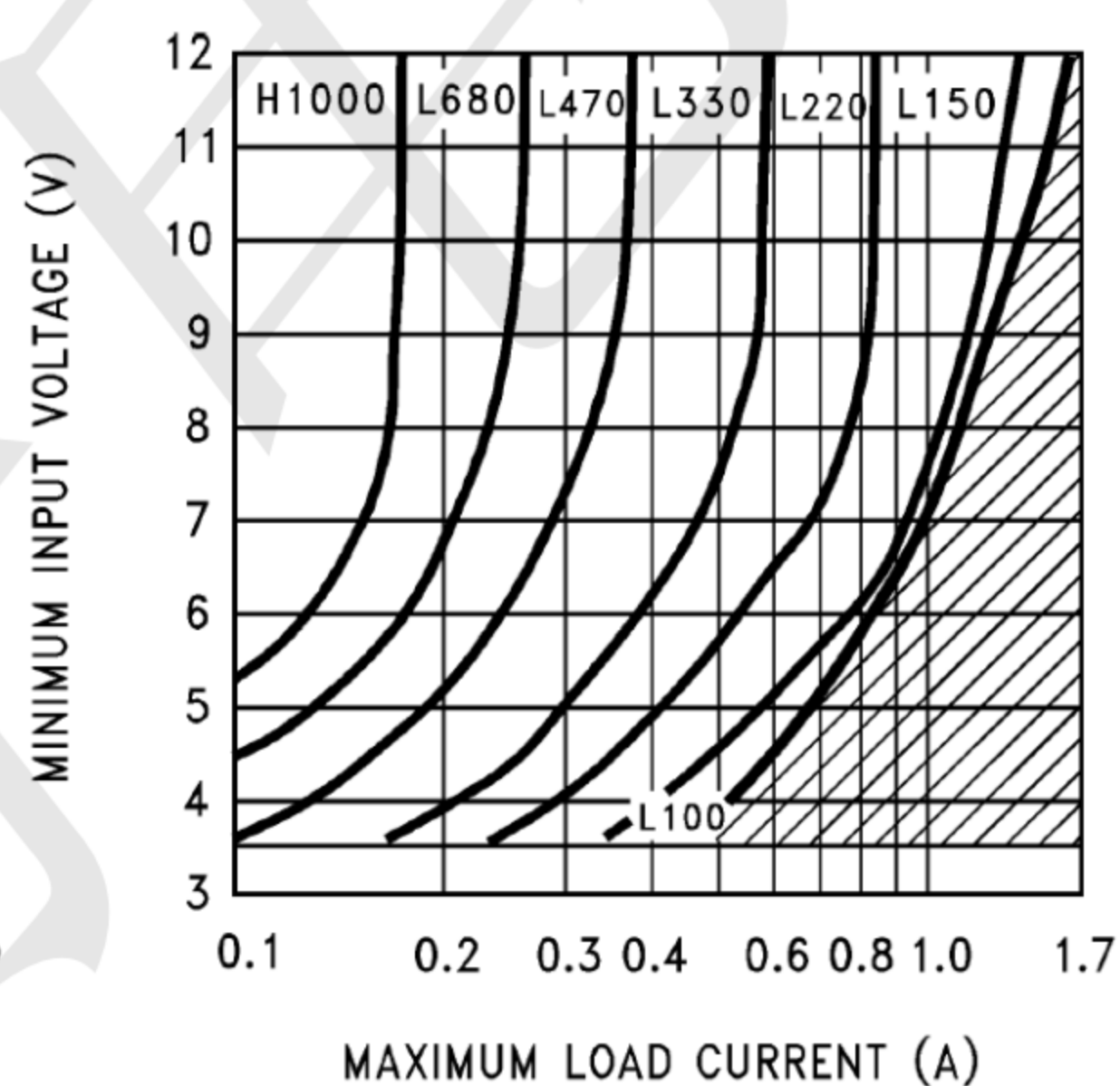
$$L_{\text{MIN}} = \frac{6.4 (V_{\text{IN}(\text{min})} - 0.6\text{V}) (2D_{(\text{max})} - 1)}{1 - D_{(\text{max})}} \quad (\mu\text{H})$$

If  $L_{\text{MIN}}$  is smaller than the inductor value found in step B1, go on to step C. Otherwise, the inductor value found in step B1 is too low; an appropriate inductor code should be obtained from the graph as follows:

1. Find the lowest value inductor that is greater than  $L_{\text{MIN}}$ .
2. Find where  $E \cdot T$  intersects this inductor value to determine if it has an L or H prefix. If  $E \cdot T$  intersects both the L and H regions, select the inductor with an H prefix.

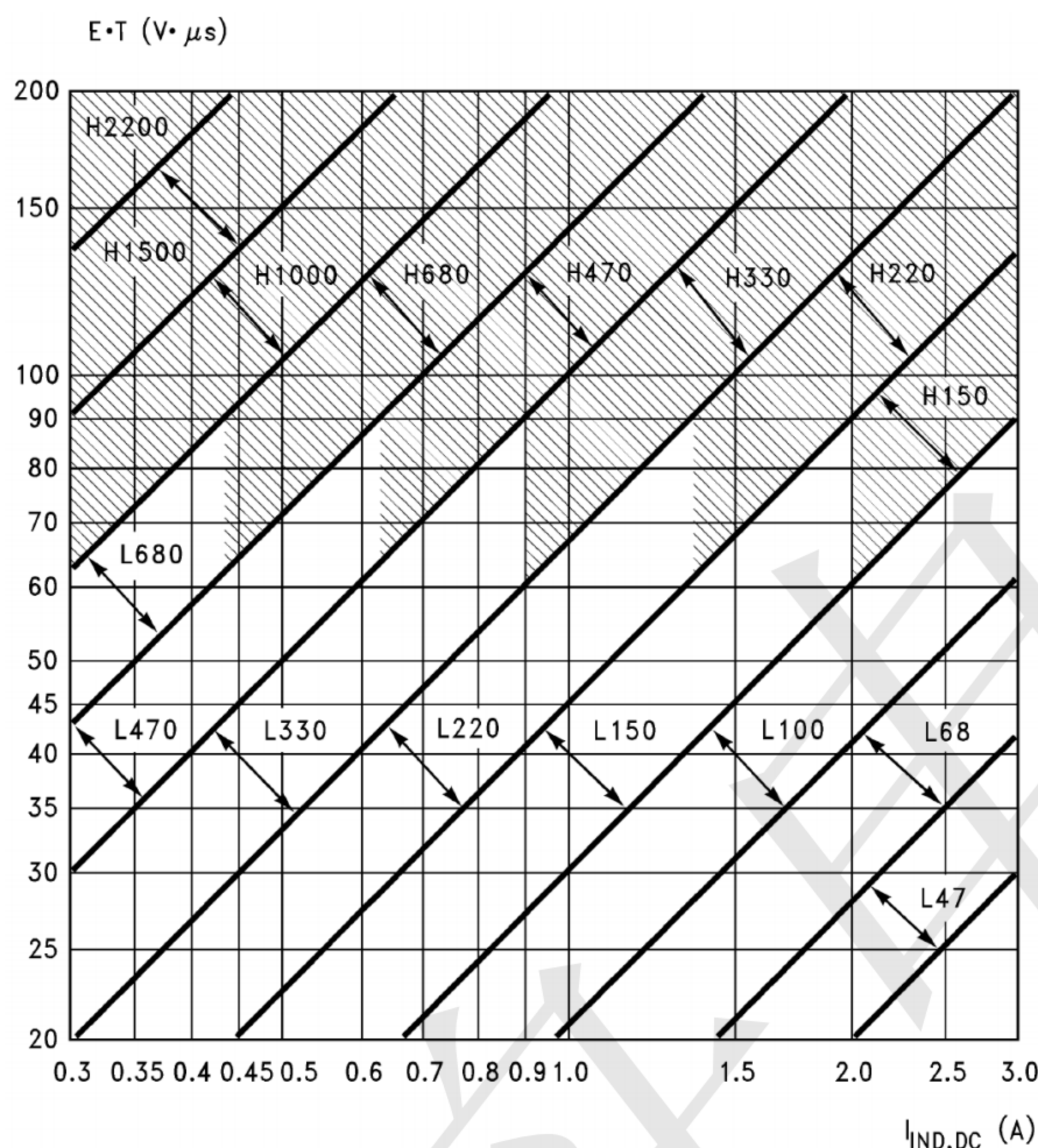


**FIGURE 7.** LM2577S-ADJ-12 Inductor Selection Guide  
Inductor Selection Guide



**FIGURE 8.** LM2577S-ADJ-15





**Note:** These charts assume that the inductor ripple current inductor is approximately 20% to 30% of the average inductor current (when the regulator is under full load). Greater ripple current causes higher peak switch currents and greater output ripple voltage; lower ripple current is achieved with larger-value inductors. The factor of 20 to 30% is chosen as a convenient balance between the two

**FIGURE 9.** LM2577S\_ADJ Inductor Selection Graph

C. Select an inductor from the table of Figure 10 which cross-references the inductor codes to the part numbers of three different manufacturers. Complete specifications for these inductors are available from the respective manufacturers. The inductors listed in this table have the following characteristics:

AIE: ferrite, pot-core inductors; Benefits of this type are low electro-magnetic interference (EMI), small physical size, and very low power dissipation (core loss). Be careful not to operate these inductors too far beyond their maximum ratings for E•T and peak current, as this will saturate the core.

Pulse: powdered iron, toroid core inductors; Benefits are low EMI and ability to withstand E•T and peak current above rated value better than ferrite cores.

Renco: ferrite, bobbin-core inductors; Benefits are low cost and best ability to withstand E•T and peak current above rated value. Be aware that these inductors generate more EMI than the other types, and this may interfere with signals sensitive to noise.



Inductor Code	Manufacturer's Part Number		
	Schott	Pulse	Renco
L47	67126980	PE - 53112	RL2442
L68	67126990	PE - 92114	RL2443
L100	67127000	PE - 92108	RL2444
L150	67127010	PE - 53113	RL1954
L220	67127020	PE - 52626	RL1953
L330	67127030	PE - 52627	RL1952
L470	67127040	PE - 53114	RL1951
L680	67127050	PE - 52629	RL1950
H150	67127060	PE - 53115	RL2445
H220	67127070	PE - 53116	RL2446
H330	67127080	PE - 53117	RL2447
H470	67127090	PE - 53118	RL1961
H680	67127100	PE - 53119	RL1960
H1000	67127110	PE - 53120	RL1959
H1500	67127120	PE - 53121	RL1958
H2200	67127130	PE - 53122	RL2448

**FIGURE 10.** Table of Standardized Inductors and Manufacturer's Part Numbers

## 2. Compensation Network ( $R_C$ , $C_C$ ) and Output Capacitor( $C_{OUT}$ ) Selection

$R_C$  and  $C_C$  form a pole-zero compensation network that stabilizes the regulator. The values of  $R_C$  and  $C_C$  are mainly dependant on the regulator voltage gain,  $I_{LOAD(max)}$ ,  $L$  and  $C_{OUT}$ . The following procedure calculates values for  $R_C$ ,  $C_C$ , and  $C_{OUT}$  that ensure regulator stability. Be aware that this procedure doesn't necessarily result in  $R_C$  and  $C_C$  that provide optimum compensation. In order to guarantee optimum compensation, one of the standard procedures for testing loop stability must be used, such as measuring  $V_{OUT}$  transient response when pulsing  $I_{LOAD}$  (see Figure 15).

A. First, calculate the maximum value for  $R_C$ .

$$R_C \leq \frac{750 \times I_{LOAD(max)} \times V_{OUT}^2}{V_{IN(min)}^2}$$

Select a resistor less than or equal to this value, and it should also be no greater than 3 k $\Omega$ .

B. Calculate the minimum value for  $C_{OUT}$  using the following two equations.

$$C_{OUT} \geq \frac{0.19 \times L \times R_C \times I_{LOAD(max)}}{V_{IN(min)} \times V_{OUT}}$$

and

$$C_{OUT} \geq \frac{V_{IN(min)} \times R_C \times (V_{IN(min)} + (3.74 \times 10^5 \times L))}{487,800 \times V_{OUT}^3}$$

The larger of these two values is the minimum value that ensures stability.

C. Calculate the minimum value of  $C_C$ .

$$C_C \geq \frac{58.5 \times V_{OUT}^2 \times C_{OUT}}{R_C^2 \times V_{IN(min)}}$$

The compensation capacitor is also part of the soft start circuitry. When power to the regulator is turned on, the switch duty cycle is allowed to rise at a rate controlled by this capacitor (with no control on the duty cycle, it would immediately rise to 90%, drawing huge currents from the input power supply). In order to operate properly, the soft start circuit requires  $C_C \geq 0.22 \mu F$ .

The value of the output filter capacitor is normally large enough to require the use of aluminum electrolytic capacitors. Figure 11 lists several different types that are recommended for switching regulators, and the following parameters are used to select the proper capacitor.

**Working Voltage (WVDC):** Choose a capacitor with a working voltage at least 20% higher than the regulator output voltage.

**Ripple Current:** This is the maximum RMS value of current that charges the capacitor during each switching cycle. For step-up and flyback regulators, the formula for ripple current is

$$I_{RIPPLE(RMS)} = \frac{I_{LOAD(max)} \times D_{(max)}}{1 - D_{(max)}}$$

Choose a capacitor that is rated at least 50% higher than this value at 52 kHz.

**Equivalent Series Resistance (ESR) :** This is the primary cause of output ripple voltage, and it also affects the values of  $R_C$  and  $C_C$  needed to stabilize the regulator. As a result, the preceding calculations for  $C_C$  and  $R_C$  are only valid if ESR doesn't exceed the maximum value specified by the following equations.

$$ESR \leq \frac{0.01 \times V_{OUT}}{I_{RIPPLE(P-P)}} \text{ and } \leq \frac{8.7 \times (10) - 3 \times V_{IN}}{I_{LOAD(max)}}$$

where

$$I_{RIPPLE(P-P)} = \frac{1.15 \times I_{LOAD(max)}}{1 - D_{(max)}}$$

Select a capacitor with ESR, at 52 kHz, that is less than or equal to the lower value calculated. Most electrolytic capacitors specify ESR at 120 Hz which is 15% to 30% higher than at 52 kHz. Also, be aware that ESR increases by a factor of 2 when operating at  $-20^\circ C$ .

In general, low values of ESR are achieved by using large value capacitors ( $C \geq 470 \mu F$ ), and capacitors with high WVDC, or by paralleling smaller-value capacitors.

### 3. Output Voltage Selection (R1 and R2)

This section is for applications using the LM2577S-ADJ. Skip this section if the LM2577S-ADJ-12 or LM2577S-ADJ-15 is being



used. With the LM2577S-ADJ, the output voltage is given by

$$V_{OUT} = 1.23V (1 + R1/R2)$$

Resistors R1 and R2 divide the output down so it can be compared with the LM2577S-ADJ internal 1.23V reference. For a given desired output voltage  $V_{OUT}$ , select R1 and R2 so that

$$\frac{R1}{R2} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{1.23V} - 1$$

#### 4. Diode Selection (D)

The switching diode used in the boost regulator must withstand a reverse voltage equal to the circuit output voltage, and must conduct the peak output current of the LM2577S-ADJ. A suitable diode must have a minimum reverse breakdown voltage greater than the circuit output voltage, and should be rated for average and peak current greater than  $I_{LOAD(max)}$  and  $I_{D(PK)}$ . Schottky barrier diodes are often favored for use in switching regulators. Their low forward voltage drop allows higher regulator efficiency than if a (less expensive) fast

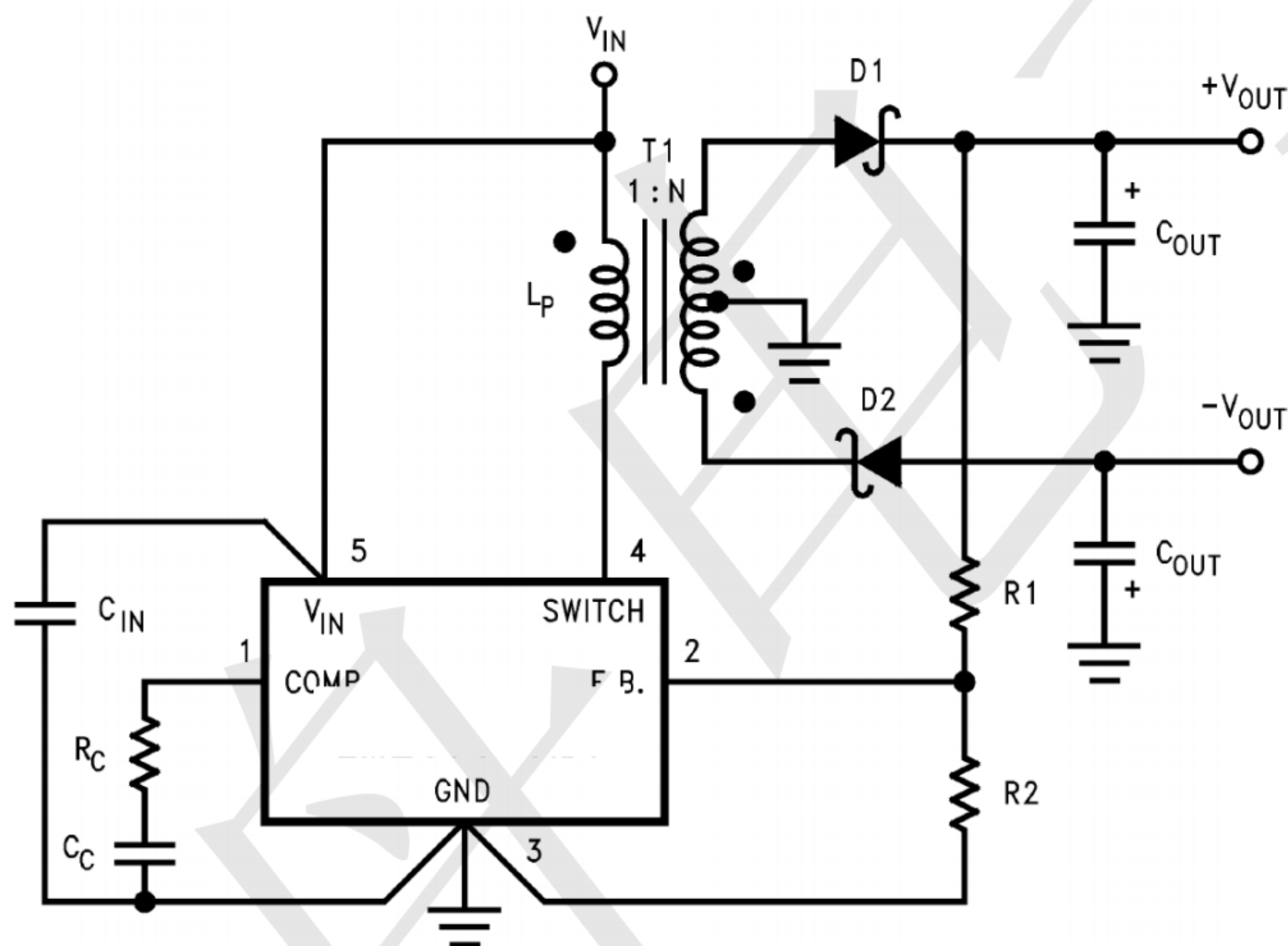
$V_{OUT}$ (max)	Schottky		Fast Recovery	
	1A	3A	1A	3A
20V	1N5817 MBR120P	1N5820 MBR320P		
30V	1N5818 MBR130P 11DQ03	1N5821 MBR330P 31DQ03		
40V	1N5819 MBR140P 11DQ04	1N5822 MBR340P 31DQ04		
50V	MBR150 11DQ05	MBR350 31DQ05	1N4933 MUR105	
100V			1N4934 HER102 MUR110 10DL1	MR851 30DL1 MR831 HER302

**FIGURE 11.** Diode Selection Chart

## Flyback Regulator Design Procedure

### 1. Transformer Selection

A family of standardized flyback transformers is available for creating flyback regulators that produce dual output voltages, from  $\pm 10\text{V}$  to  $\pm 15\text{V}$ , as shown in Figure 17. Figure 19 lists these transformers with the input voltage, output voltages and maximum load current they are designed for.



T1 = Pulse Engineering, PE-65300

D1, D2 = 1N5821

**FIGURE 17.** LM2577S-ADJ Flyback Regulator with  $\pm$  Outputs



Duty Cycle	D	$\frac{V_{OUT} + V_F}{N(V_{IN} - V_{SAT}) + V_{OUT} + V_F} \approx \frac{V_{OUT}}{N(V_{IN}) + V_{OUT}}$
Primary Current Variation	$\Delta I_P$	$\frac{D(V_{IN} - V_{SAT})}{L_P \times 52,000}$
Peak Primary Current	$I_{P(PK)}$	$\frac{N}{\eta} \times \frac{\Sigma I_{LOAD}}{1 - D} + \frac{\Delta I_{PK}}{2}$
Switch Voltage when Off	$V_{SW(OFF)}$	$V_{IN} + \frac{V_{OUT} + V_F}{N}$
Diode Reverse Voltage	$V_R$	$V_{OUT} + N(V_{IN} - V_{SAT})$
Average Diode Current	$I_{D(AVE)}$	$I_{LOAD}$
Peak Diode Current	$I_{D(PK)}$	$\frac{I_{LOAD}}{1 - D} + \frac{\Delta I_{IND}}{2}$
Short Circuit Diode Current		$\approx \frac{6A}{N}$
Power Dissipation of D2577	$P_D$	$0.25\Omega \left( \frac{N \Sigma I_{LOAD}}{1 - D} \right)^2 + \frac{N I_{LOAD} D}{50(1 - D)} V_{IN}$

$N$  = Transformer Turns Ratio =  $\frac{\text{number of secondary turns}}{\text{number of primary turns}}$

$\eta$  = Transformer Efficiency (typically 0.95)

$\Sigma I_{LOAD} = | +I_{LOAD} | + | -I_{LOAD} |$

**FIGURE 18.** Flyback Regulator Formulas

C. Calculate the minimum value of  $C_C$

$$C_C \geq \frac{58.5 \times C_{OUT} \times V_{OUT} \times (V_{OUT} + (V_{IN(min)} \times N))}{R_C^2 \times V_{IN(min)} \times N}$$

D. Calculate the maximum ESR of the  $+V_{OUT}$  and  $-V_{OUT}$  output capacitors in parallel.

$$ESR + ||ESR|| \leq \frac{8.7 \times 10^{-3} \times V_{IN(min)} \times V_{OUT} \times N}{\Sigma I_{LOAD(max)} \times (V_{OUT} + (V_{IN(min)} \times N))}$$

This formula can also be used to calculate the maximum ESR of a single output regulator.

At this point, refer to this same section in the Step-Up Regulator Design Procedure for more information regarding the selection of  $C_{OUT}$ .

### 3. Output Voltage Selection

This section is for applications using the LM2577S-ADJ. Skip this section if the LM2577S-ADJ 12 or LM2577S-ADJ-15 is being used. With the LM2577S-ADJ, the output voltage is given by

$$V_{OUT} = 1.23V (1 + R1/R2)$$

Resistors R1 and R2 divide the output voltage down so it can be compared with the LM2577S-ADJ internal 1.23V reference. For a desired output voltage  $V_{OUT}$ , select R1 and R2 so that

$$\frac{R1}{R2} = \frac{V_{OUT}}{1.23V} - 1$$

### 4. Diode Selection

The switching diode in a flyback converter must withstand the reverse voltage specified by the following equation.

$$V_R = V_{OUT} + \frac{V_{IN}}{N}$$

A suitable diode must have a reverse voltage rating greater than this. In addition it must be rated for more than the average and peak diode currents listed in Figure 18.

### 5. Input Capacitor Selection

The primary of a flyback transformer draws discontinuous pulses of current from the input supply. As a result, a flyback regulator generates more noise at the input supply than a step-up regulator, and this requires a larger bypass capacitor to decouple the LM2577S-ADJ  $V_{IN}$  pin from this noise. For most applications, a low ESR, 1.0  $\mu F$  cap will be sufficient, if it is connected very close to the  $V_{IN}$  and Ground pins.



Transformer Type		Input Voltage	Dual Output Voltage	Maximum Output Current	Transformer Type	Manufacturers' Part Numbers		
						AIE	Pulse	Renco
1	$L_p = 100 \mu H$ $N = 1$	5V	$\pm 10V$	325 mA	1	326-0637	PE-65300	RL-2580
		5V	$\pm 12V$	275 mA	2	330-0202	PE-65301	RL-2581
		5V	$\pm 15V$	225 mA	3	330-0203	PE-65302	RL-2582
2	$L_p = 200 \mu H$ $N = 0.5$	10V	$\pm 10V$	700 mA				
		10V	$\pm 12V$	575 mA				
		10V	$\pm 15V$	500 mA				
		12V	$\pm 10V$	800 mA				
		12V	$\pm 12V$	700 mA				
		12V	$\pm 15V$	575 mA				
3	$L_p = 250 \mu H$ $N = 0.5$	15V	$\pm 10V$	900 mA				
		15V	$\pm 12V$	825 mA				
		15V	$\pm 15V$	700 mA				

**FIGURE 19.** Flyback Transformer  
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In addition to this bypass cap, a larger capacitor ( $\geq 47 \mu F$ ) should be used where the flyback transformer connects to the input supply. This will attenuate noise which may interfere with other circuits connected to the same input supply voltage.

## Package information

