

Voltage Drop Compensation on the MC13783 Switchers Line

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1 Introduction

This document proposes a typical and recommended solution to compensate the voltage drop on the MC13783 power management IC switchers line due to the PCB wire resistance. The PCB wire resistance needs to be placed inside the closed loop of the switcher. The goal is to stabilize the voltage on that switcher line output.

2 Typical Configuration

The typical placement and layout of a switcher (single/dual mode) for the MC13783 is shown in [Figure 1 on page 2](#).

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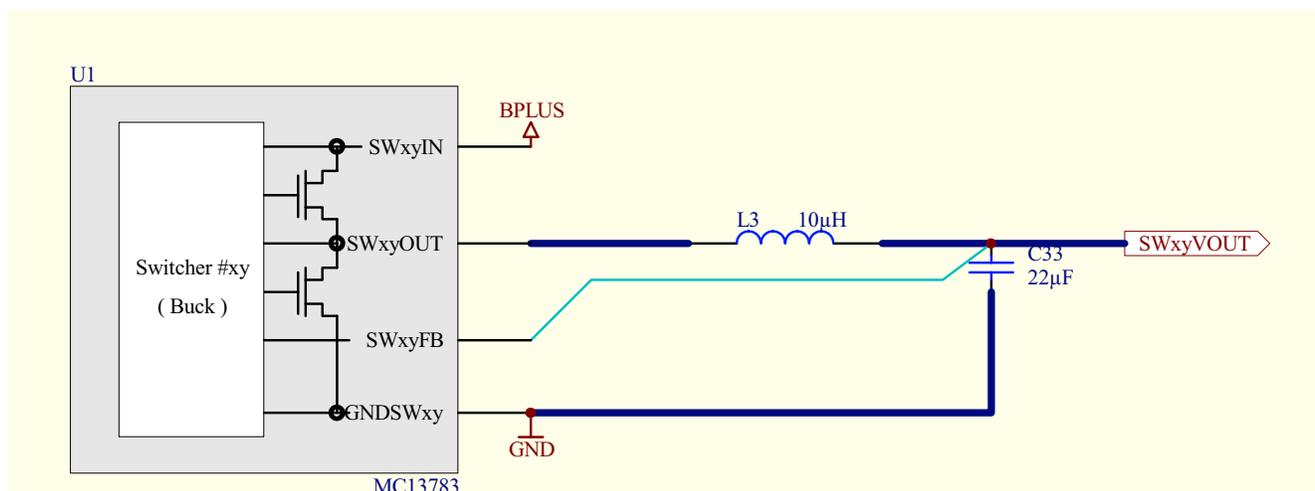


Figure 1. Typical Placement and Layout of a Switcher for the MC13783

The capacitor and coil components L and C are usually placed close to the MC13783 package. The voltage, SWxyVOUT, is equal to the programmed output switcher voltage minus the dropout caused by the PCB trace. This dropout is also dependent of the DC load current on SWxyVOUT. In a typical configuration, the feedback loop is not usually shielded.

3 Recommended Configuration

As shown in [Figure 2 on page 3](#), Freescale recommends following the L and C configuration designated. The output capacitor should be placed near the point where the current is drawn on the output side of the PCB wire resistance as shown in [Figure 2](#). The PCB wire resistance is now inside the closed loop of the switcher so it does not impact the DC voltage at SWxyVOUT.

NOTE

The switcher feedback trace must be shielded as this line is attaching to a high impedance point in the MC13783. Any perturbation on this line must be minimized to ensure stability of the switcher.

The output capacitor can be placed far from the MC13783. The SWxyFB pin is a high impedance input, care must be taken in the layout of this signal as stated in the note. This is the recommended configuration for the MC13783 power management IC to stabilize the voltage on the switcher line.

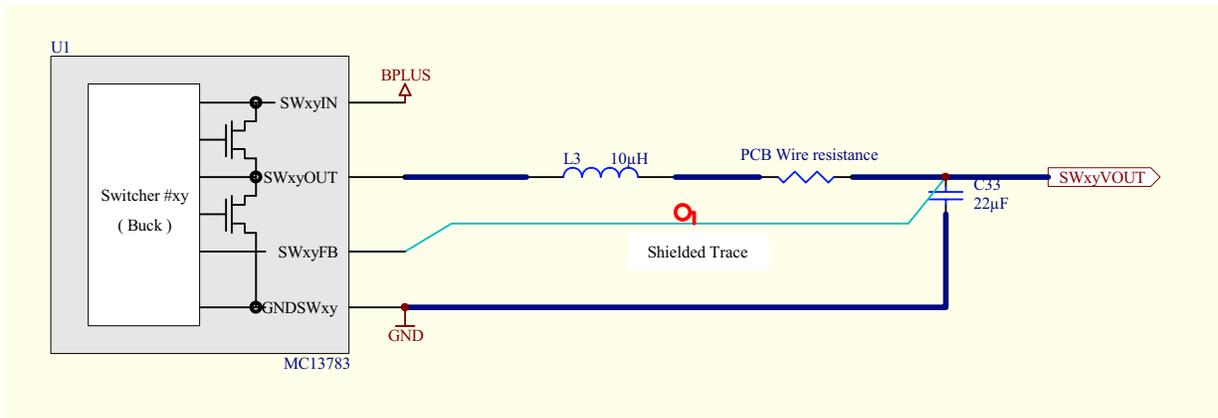


Figure 2. Recommended Configuration

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