

# SC4215 Very Low Input /Very Low Dropout 2 Amp Regulator With Enable

The SC4215 is a high performance positive voltage regula-

tor designed for use in applications requiring very low

input voltage and very low dropout voltage at up to 2

amperes. It operates with a Vin as low as 1.6V, with output

voltage programmable as low as 0.8V. The SC4215 features

ultra low dropout, ideal for applications where Vout is very

close to Vin. Additionally, the SC4215 has an enable pin to

further reduce power dissipation while shut down. The

SC4215 provides excellent regulation over variations in

The SC4215 is available in the SOIC-8-EDP (Exposed Die Pad) package. The output voltage can be set via an exter-

nal divider or to fixed settings of 0.8V and 2.5V depending

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line, load and temperature.

on how the ADJ pin is configured.

## **POWER MANAGEMENT**

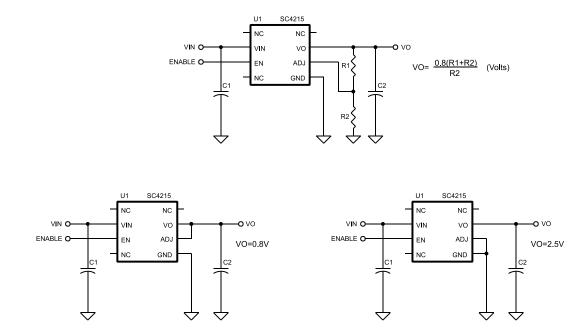
### Features

- Input Voltage as low as 1.6V
- 500mV dropout @ 2A
- Adjustable output from 0.8V
- Over current and over temperature protection
- Enable pin
- 10μA quiescent current in shutdown
- Full industrial temperature range
- Available in SOIC-8-EDP Pb-Free product. RoHS/WEEE and Halogen Free compliant

## **Applications**

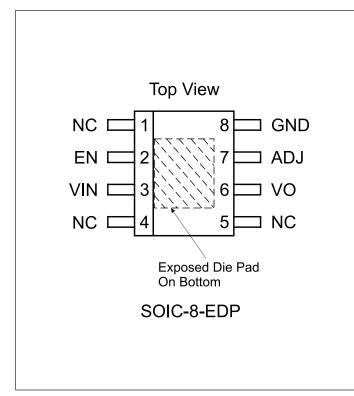
- Telecom/Networking cards
- Motherboards/Peripheral cards
- Industrial applications
- Wireless infrastructure
- Set top boxes
- Medical equipment
- Notebook computers
- Battery powered systems

# **Typical Application Circuit**





# **Pin Configuration**



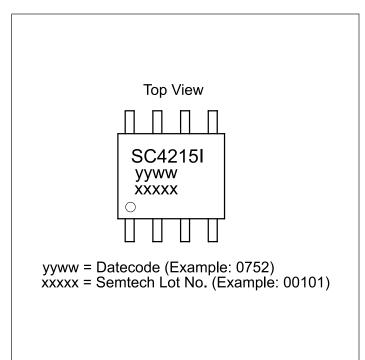
# **Ordering Information**

Device	Package	
SC4215ISTRT <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	SOIC-8-EDP	
SC4215IEVB	Evaluation Board	
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Notes:

- (1) Available in tape and reel only. A reel contains 2,500 devices.
- (2) Available in Pb-Free product only. RoHS/WEEE and Halogen Free compliant.

## **Marking Information**





### **Absolute Maximum Ratings**

VIN, EN, VO, ADJ to GND (V)	0.3 to +7.0
Power Dissipation	Internally Limited
ESD Protection Level <sup>(1)</sup> (kV)	2

### **Recommended Operating Conditions**

VIN (V) $\dots 1.6 \leq V_{IN} \leq 5.5$
Ambient Temperature Range (°C)40 $\leq$ T <sub>A</sub> $\leq$ +85
Junction Temperature Range (°C)40 $\leq$ T <sub>J</sub> $\leq$ +125
Maximum Output Current (A)2

### **Thermal Information**

Thermal Resistance, Junction to $Ambient^{\scriptscriptstyle{(2)}}(^{\circ}C/W)\ \dots 36$
Thermal Resistance, Junction to Case <sup>(2)</sup> (°C/W) 5.5
Maximum Junction Temperature (°C) + 150
Storage Temperature Range (°C)65 to +150
Peak IR Reflow Temperature (10s to 30s) (°C) +260

Exceeding the above specifications may result in permanent damage to the device or device malfunction. Operation outside of the parameters specified in the Electrical Characteristics section is not recommended.

#### NOTES:

- (1) Tested according to JEDEC standard JESD22-A114-B.
- (2) Calculated from package in still air, mounted to 3" x 4.5", 4 layer FR4 PCB with thermal vias under the exposed pad per JESD51 standards.

### **Electrical Characteristics** -

Unless specified:  $V_{EN} = V_{IN'}$ ,  $V_{IN} = 1.6V$  to 5.5V,  $I_{O} = 10\mu$ A to 2A,  $T_{A} = 25^{\circ}$  C. Values in **bold** apply over the full operating temperature range.

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Units	
VIN							
Quiescent Current	I <sub>Q</sub> —	V <sub>IN</sub> = 3.3V, I <sub>O</sub> = 0A		0.75	1.75	mA	
		$V_{IN} = 5.5V, V_{EN} = 0V$		10	50	μΑ	
vo							
Output Voltage <sup>(1)</sup>		$V_{IN} = V_{O} + 0.5V$ , $I_{O} = 10$ mA	-2%	N	+2%	V	
(Fixed Voltage, $V_{ADJ} = 0$ )	V <sub>o</sub>	1.60V ≤ V <sub>IN</sub> ≤ 5.5V, I <sub>0</sub> = 10mA	-3%	V <sub>o</sub>	+3%		
Line Regulation <sup>(1)</sup>	REG (LINE)	I <sub>o</sub> =10mA 0.2 <b>0.4</b>		0.4	%/V		
Load Regulation <sup>(1)</sup>	REG <sub>(LOAD)</sub>	I <sub>o</sub> =10mA to 2A 0.5		1.0	%		



## **Electrical Characteristics (continued)**

Parameter	Symbol	Cond	litions	Min	Тур	Max	Units
Dropout Voltage <sup>(1)(2)</sup>		I <sub>o</sub> =1A			90	300	- mV
						400	
		I <sub>0</sub> =1.5A			200	400	
	V <sub>DO</sub>					500	
			V <sub>IN</sub> =V <sub>0</sub> + 0.5V		300	500	-
		$I_0 = 2A$	V <sub>IN</sub> =V <sub>0</sub> + 0.6V			600	
Minimum Load Current <sup>(3)(4)</sup>	I <sub>o</sub>	V <sub>IN</sub> =V	<sub>o</sub> + 0.5V		1	10	μΑ
Current Limit <sup>(4)</sup>	I <sub>CL</sub>			2.2	3	4.5	A
ADJ							1
Reference Voltage <sup>(1)</sup>		$V_{_{REF}}$ $V_{_{IN}} = 3.3V, V_{_{FB}} = V_{_{OUT}}, I_{_{O}} = 10mA$		0.792		0.808	- v
	V <sub>REF</sub>			0.784	0.8	0.816	
Adjust Pin Current <sup>(4)</sup>	I <sub>ADJ</sub>	$V_{ADJ} = V_{REF}$			80	200	nA
Adjust Pin Threshold <sup>(5)</sup>	V <sub>TH(ADJ)</sub>			0.05	0.16	0.40	v
EN						1	1
Enable Pin Current	I <sub>EN</sub>	$V_{EN} = 0V, V_{IN} = 3.3V$			1.5	10	μΑ
Enable Pin Threshold	V <sub>IH</sub>	V <sub>IN</sub> =3.3V		1.6			
	V <sub>IL</sub>					0.4	V
Over Temperature Protection	II				1	1	1
High Trip Level	T <sub>HI</sub>				160		°C
Hysteresis	T <sub>HYST</sub>				10		°C

Notes:

(1) Low duty cycle pulse testing with Kelvin connections required.

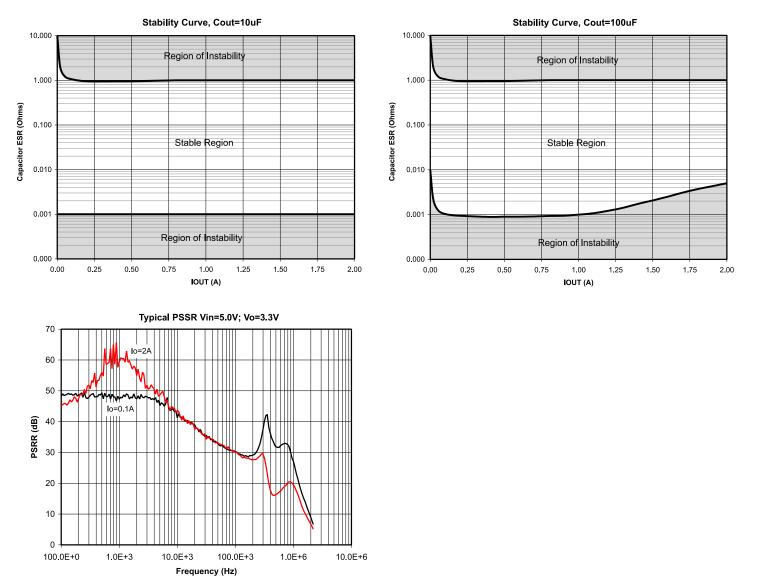
(2)  $V_{DO} = V_{IN} - V_{O}$  when  $V_{O}$  decreases by 1.5% of its nominal output voltage.

(3) Required to maintain regulation. Voltage set resistors R1 and R2 are usually utilized to meet this requirement. Adjustable mode only.(4) Guaranteed by design.

(5) When V<sub>ADJ</sub> exceeds this threshold, the "Sense Select" switch disconnects the internal feedback chain from the error amplifier and connects V<sub>ADJ</sub> instead.



# **Typical Characteristics**



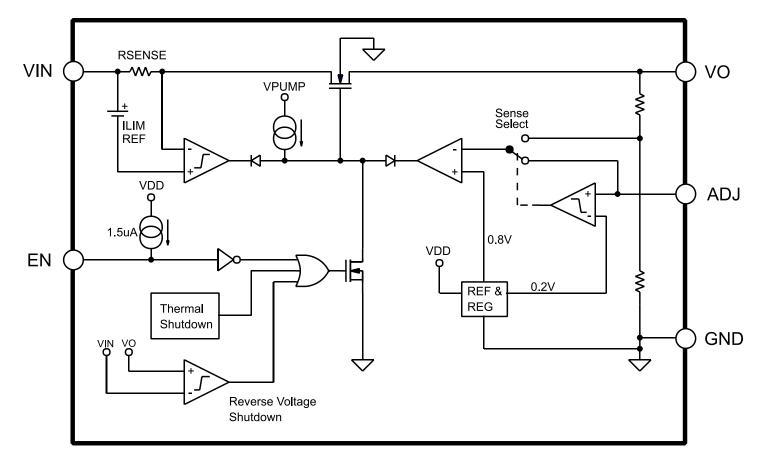
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# **Pin Descriptions**

Pin #	Pin Name	Pin Function
2	EN	Enable Input. Pulling this pin below 0.4V turns the regulator off, reducing the quiescent current to a fraction of its operating value. The device will be enabled if this pin is left open. Connect to VIN if not being used.
3	VIN	Input voltage. For regulation at full load, the input to this pin must be between (VO+ 0.5V) and 5.5V. Minimum VIN = 1.6V. A large bulk capacitance should be placed closely to this pin to ensure that the input supply does not sag below 1.6V. Also a minimum of 4.7uF ceramic capacitor should be placed directly at this pin.
6	VO	The pin is the power output of the device. A minimum of 10uF capacitor should be placed directly at this pin.
7	ADJ	When this pin is grounded, an internal resistor divider sets the output voltage to 2.5V. If connected to the Vo pin, the output voltage will be set at 0.8V. If external feedback resistors are used, the output voltage will be determined by the resistor ratio (See Application Circuits on page 1):
8	GND	Reference ground. The GND pin and the exposed die pad must be connected together at the IC pin.
1, 4, 5	NC	No Connection.
	THERMAL PAD	Pad for heatsinking purposes. Connect to ground plane using multiple vias.

## **Block Diagram**





#### **Applications Information (continued)**

#### Introduction

The SC4215 is intended for applications where high current capability and very low dropout voltage are required. It provides a very simple, low cost solution that uses very little PCB real estate. Additional features include an enable pin to allow for a very low power consumption standby mode, and a fully adjustable output.

#### **Component Selection**

**Input capacitor:** A large bulk capacitance  $\geq 10\mu$ F/A (output load) should be closely placed to the input supply pin of the SC4215 to ensure that Vin does not sag below 1.4V. Also a minimum of 4.7 $\mu$ F ceramic capacitor is recommended to be placed directly next to the Vin pin. This allows for the device being some distance from any bulk capacitance on the rail. Additionally, input droop due to load transients is reduced, improving load transient response. Additional capacitance may be added if required by the application.

**Output capacitor:** A minimum bulk capacitance of  $\geq$  10µF/A (output load), along with a 0.1µF ceramic decoupling capacitor is recommended. Increasing the bulk capacitance will improve the overall transient response. The use of multiple lower value ceramic capacitors in parallel to achieve the desired bulk capacitance will not cause stability issues. Although designed for use with ceramic output capacitors, the SC4215 is extremely tolerant of output capacitor ESR values and thus will also work comfortably with tantalum output capacitors.

**Noise immunity:** In very electrically noisy environments, it is recommended that  $0.1\mu$ F ceramic capacitors be placed from IN to GND and OUT to GND as close to the device pins as possible.

**Internal voltage selection:** By connecting the ADJ pin to GND, an internal resistor divider will regulate the output voltage to 2.5V.

If the ADJ pin is connected directly to the VO pin, the output voltage will be regulated to the 0.8V internal reference.

**External voltage selection resistors:** The use of 1% resistors, and designing for a current flow  $\ge 10\mu$ A is recommended to ensure a well regulated output (thus R2

 $\leq$ 50k $\Omega$ ). A suitable value for R2 can be chosen in the range of 1k $\Omega$  to 50k $\Omega$ . R1 can then be calculated from.

$$\mathbf{R}_{1} = \mathbf{R}_{2} \cdot \frac{\left(\mathbf{V}_{0} - \mathbf{V}_{\mathsf{REF}}\right)}{\mathbf{V}_{\mathsf{REF}}}$$

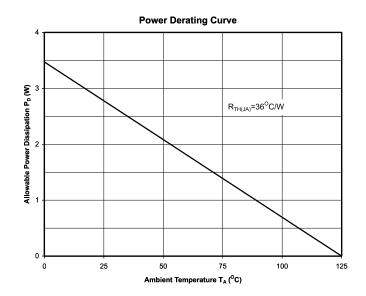
**Enable:** Pulling this pin below 0.4V turns the regulator off, reducing the quiescent current to a fraction of its operating value. A pull up resistor up to 400kOhms should be connected from this pin to the VIN pin in applications where supply voltages of Vin < 1.9V are required. For applications with higher voltages than 1.9V, EN pin could be left open or connected to VIN.

#### **Thermal Considerations**

The power dissipation in the SC4215 is given by:

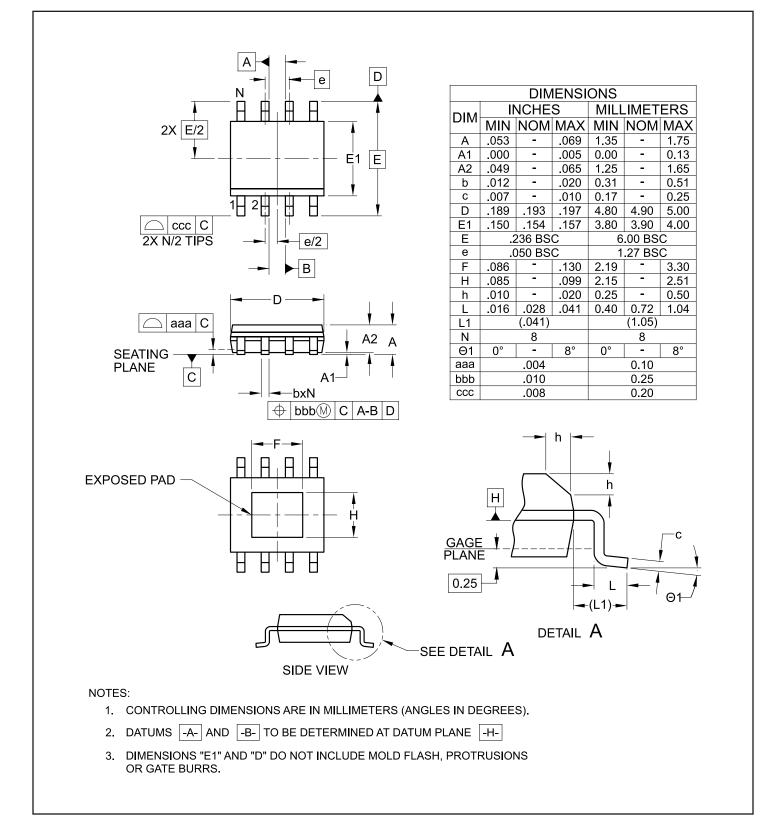
$$\mathbf{P}_{\mathrm{D}} \approx \mathbf{I}_{\mathrm{O}} \cdot \left( \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{IN}} - \mathbf{V}_{\mathrm{O}} \right)$$

The allowable power dissipation will be dependent on the thermal impedance achieved in the application. The derating curve below is valid for the thermal impedance specified in the Thermal Information section on page 3.



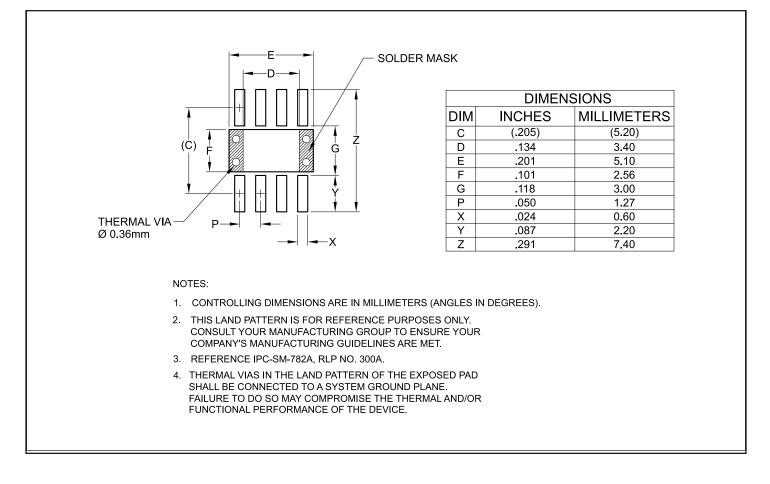


## **Outline Drawing — SOIC-8-EDP-3**





#### Land Pattern — SOIC-8-EDP-3



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