

Why is Your I_Q Too High?

nanoPower Boost Converter

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10 ³	킬로 (kilo)	k	천	1 000
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10 ⁻¹	데시 (deci)	d	십분의 일	0.1
10 ⁻²	센티 (centi)	c	백분의 일	0.01
10 ⁻³	밀리 (milli)	m	천분의 일	0.001
10 ⁻⁶	마이크로 (micro)	μ	백만분의 일	0.000 001
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Agenda

- Lower I_Q : nanoPower defined
- Emerging applications
- Unique requirements

nanoPower ICs

Very low power ICs that have quiescent current
< 1 μ A

- Extending battery life

Key applications

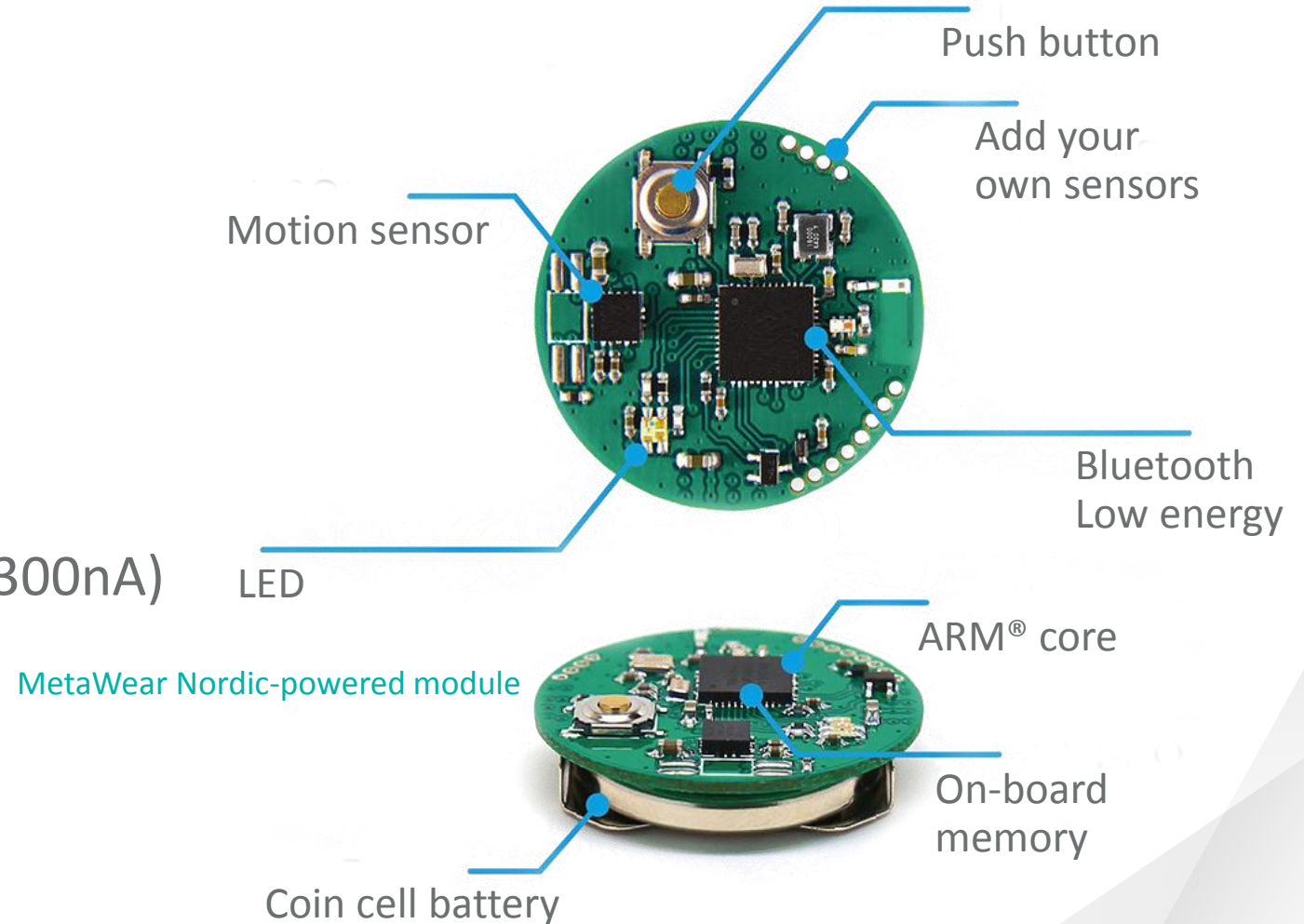
- Wearable devices
- IoT sensors
- Battery-powered medical equipment
- Low-power wireless communication



Don't Overlook the Regulated Supply!

A boost converter can extend battery life & reduce PCB size

- Every little bit counts
- Shrinking product size
 - > Small coin cell battery
 - > Small footprint
- Extended battery life
 - > Low quiescent boost converter (300nA)
 - > Minimized leakage loss
 - > True shutdown for long shelf life
 - > High/low load efficiency



Why nanoPower Regulators?

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Specifications	Energizer CR1215
Nominal voltage	3.0 volts
Typical capacity	34 mAh (to 2.0 volts) Rated at 62K ohms at 21°C
Self discharge	~1% / year

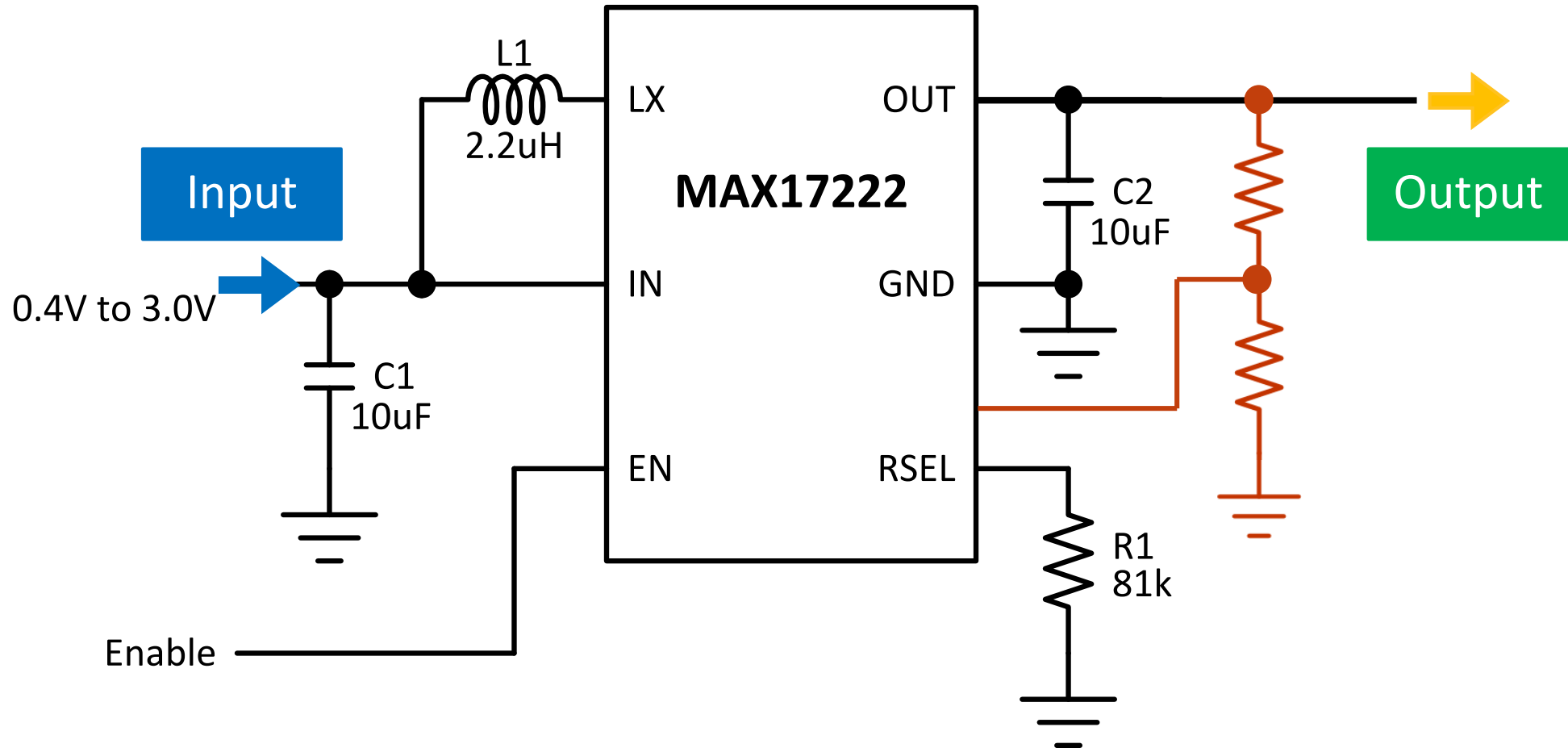
Why nanoPower Regulators?

nanoPower regulators

- Need to power circuitry with long idle states
 - > **15mA** for 10ms every minute = 2.5uA
 - > **300nA** (nanopower boost)/2.5uA = 12% loss
 - > 1uA (non-nano boost)/2.5uA = 50% loss

Regulator quiescent current should compete with battery self-discharge

nanoPower Boost with True Shutdown™



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Low I_Q architecture

- 300nA low-power mode optimizes quiescent current

Small external components

- 2MHz switching frequency, small inductor

True Shutdown

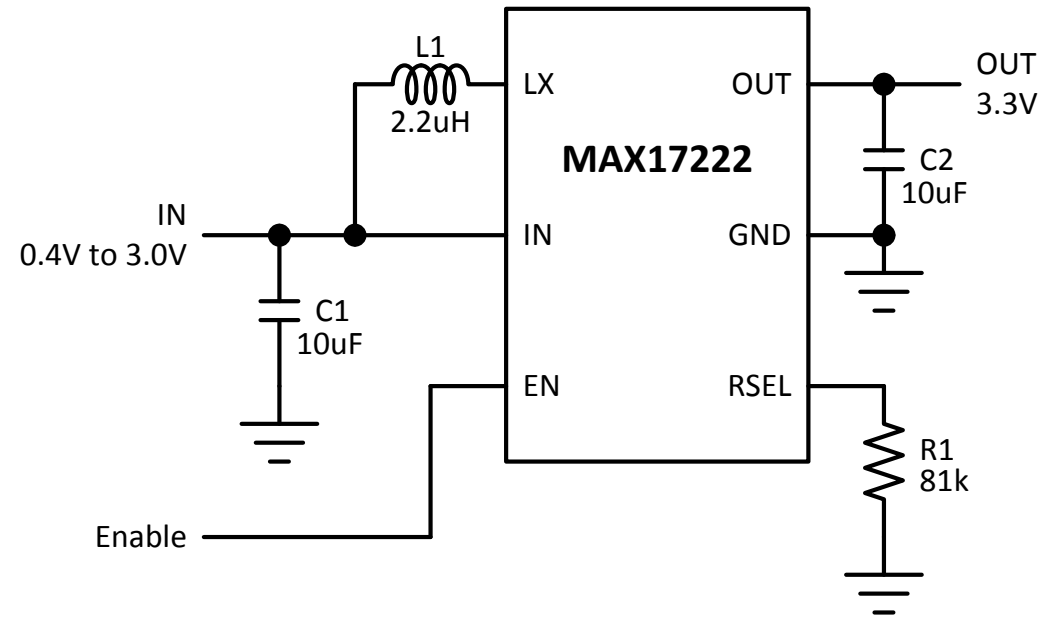
- No quiescent current, V_{OUT} from 0V to 5.5V

No resistive feedback

- Current loses

Efficiency

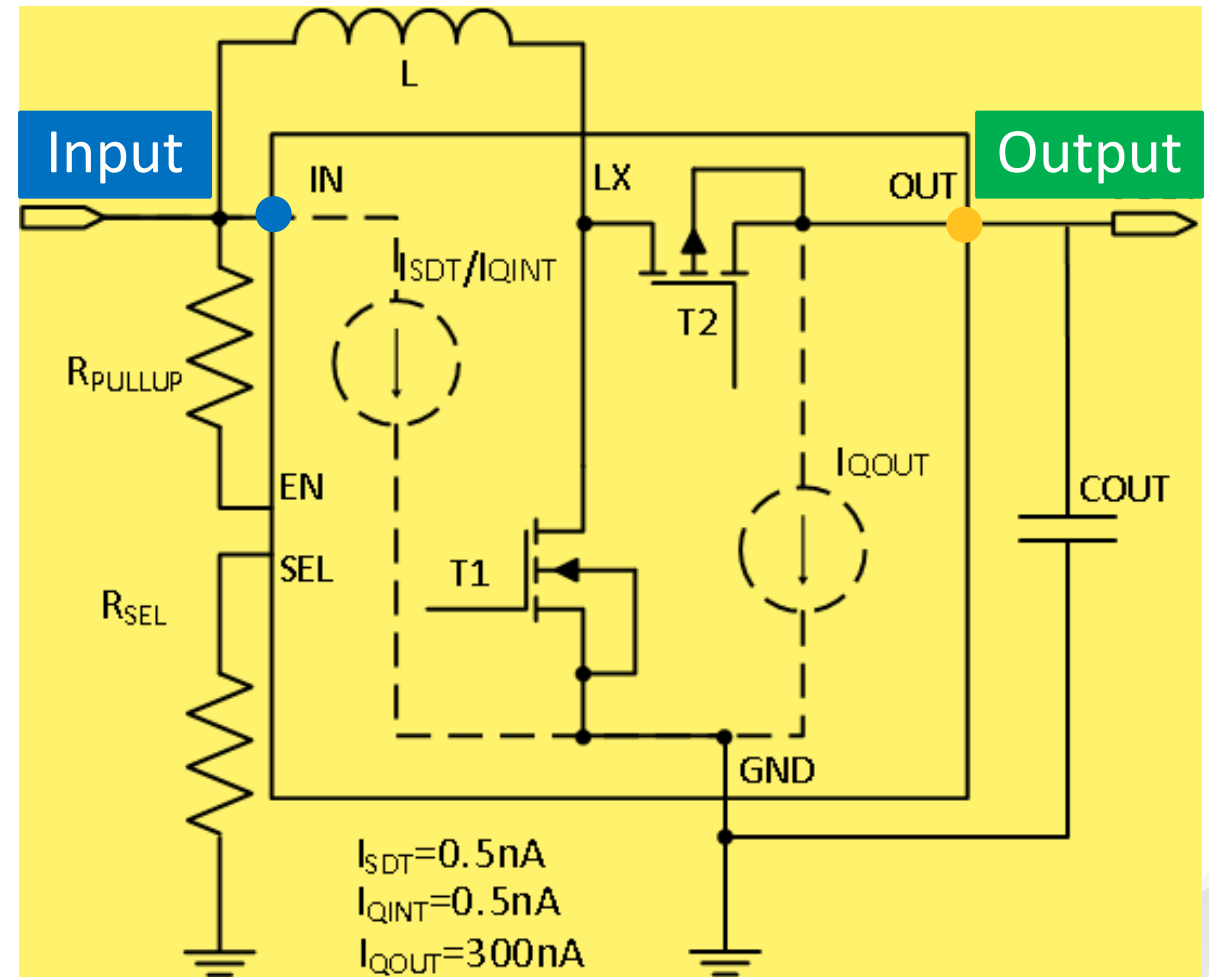
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True Shutdown

- Storables (medical patches)
- Long shelf life
- Only 0.5nA leakage in shutdown
- Battery self-discharge dominates



Extending Usable Battery

Battery voltage drops
as stored energy is drained

How do we get more usable power

- operates down to 0.4V input
- How do we keep the device enabled?

0.4V operation

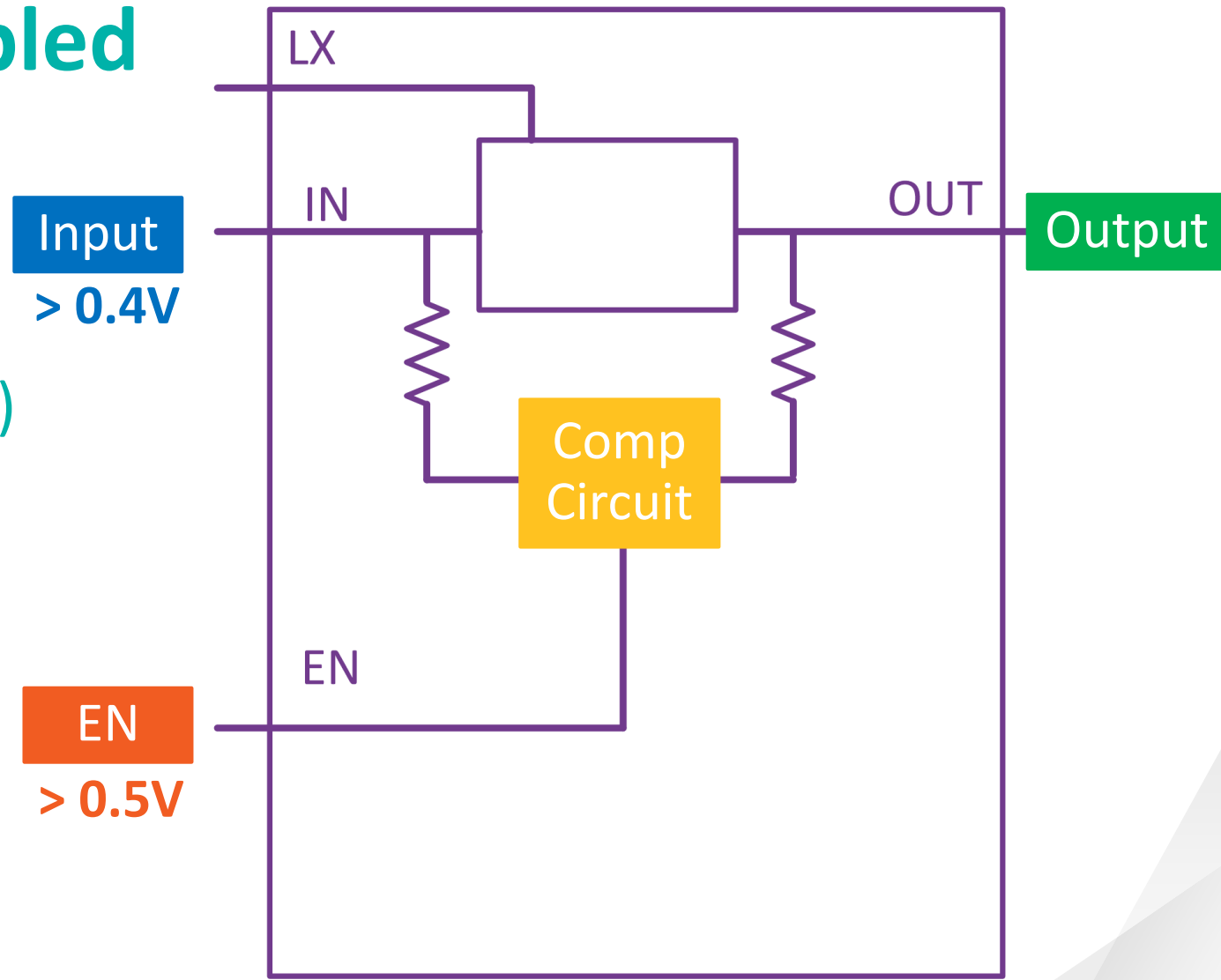


Keeping the Boost Enabled

How do we keep the circuit alive?

Unique internal enable circuit (EN)

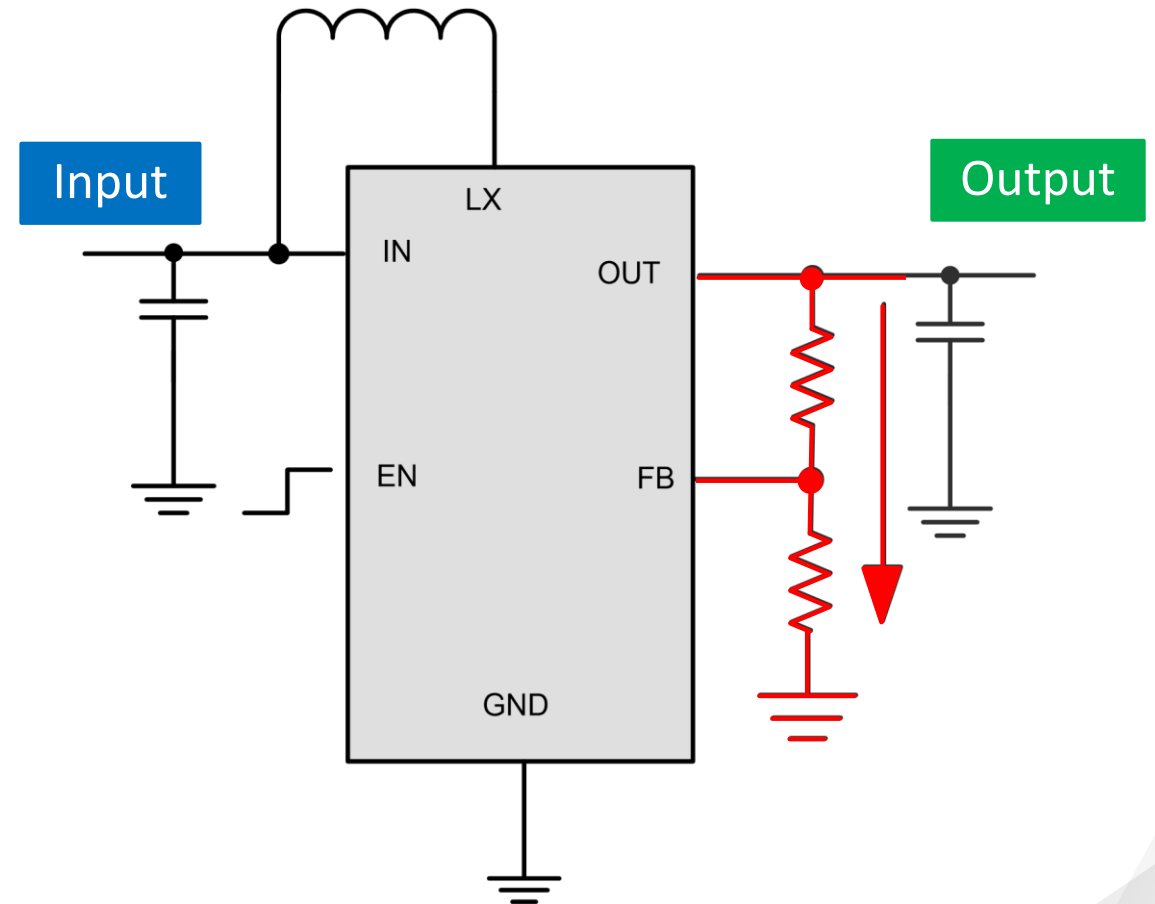
- Internal pull-up resistors
- Choose between IN and OUT



Losses Through the Feedback

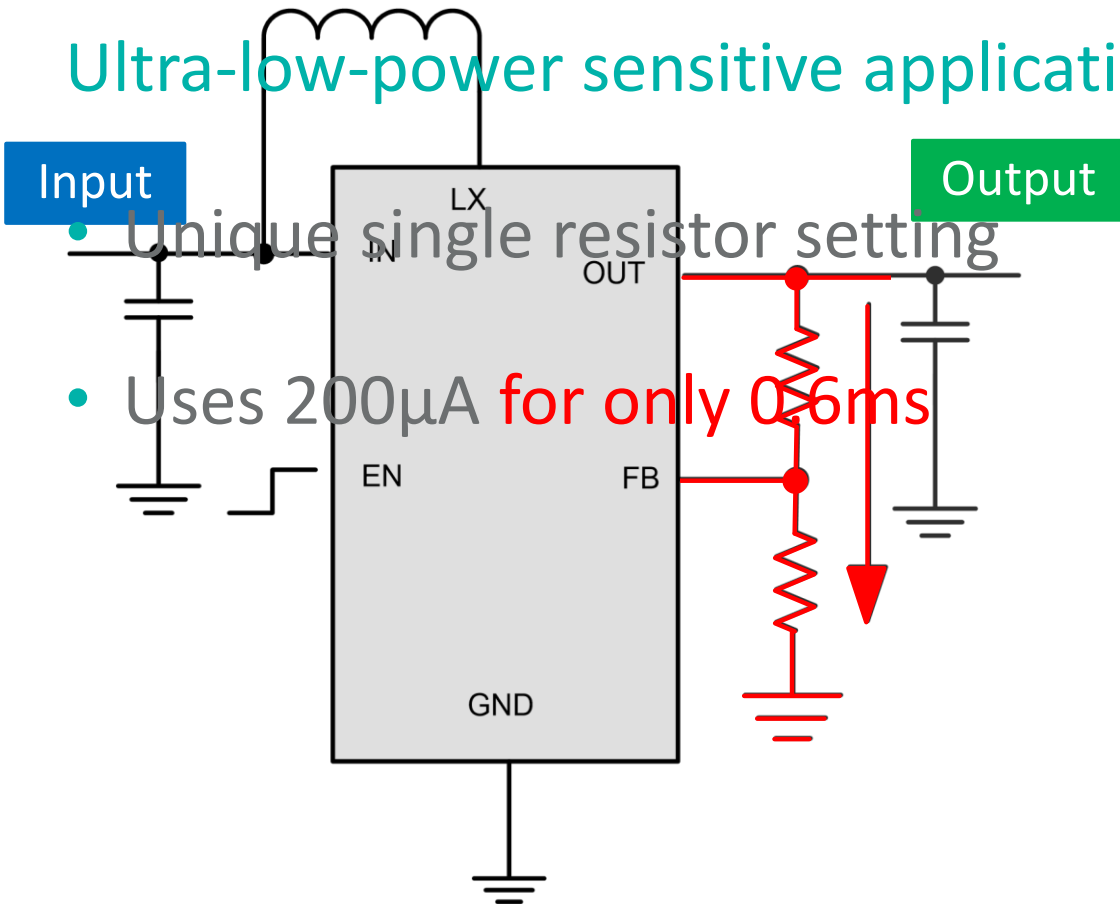
Feedback network

- Setting output voltage
- High impedance resistor
- $10\text{M}\Omega$ to $30\text{M}\Omega$ = 125 nA
- $10\text{k}\Omega$ to $30\text{k}\Omega$ = 125 000 nA
= 125uA @always

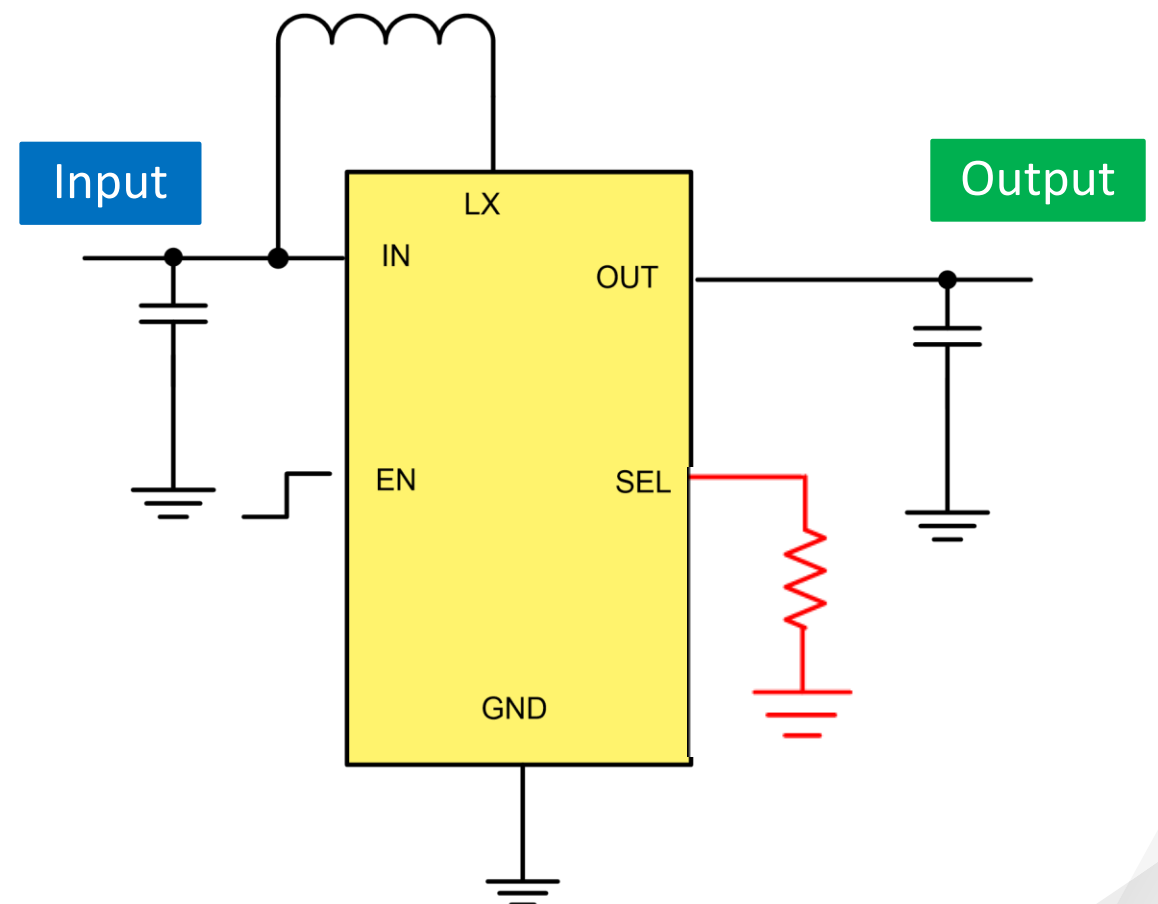


Losses Through the Feedback

Ultra-low-power sensitive applications

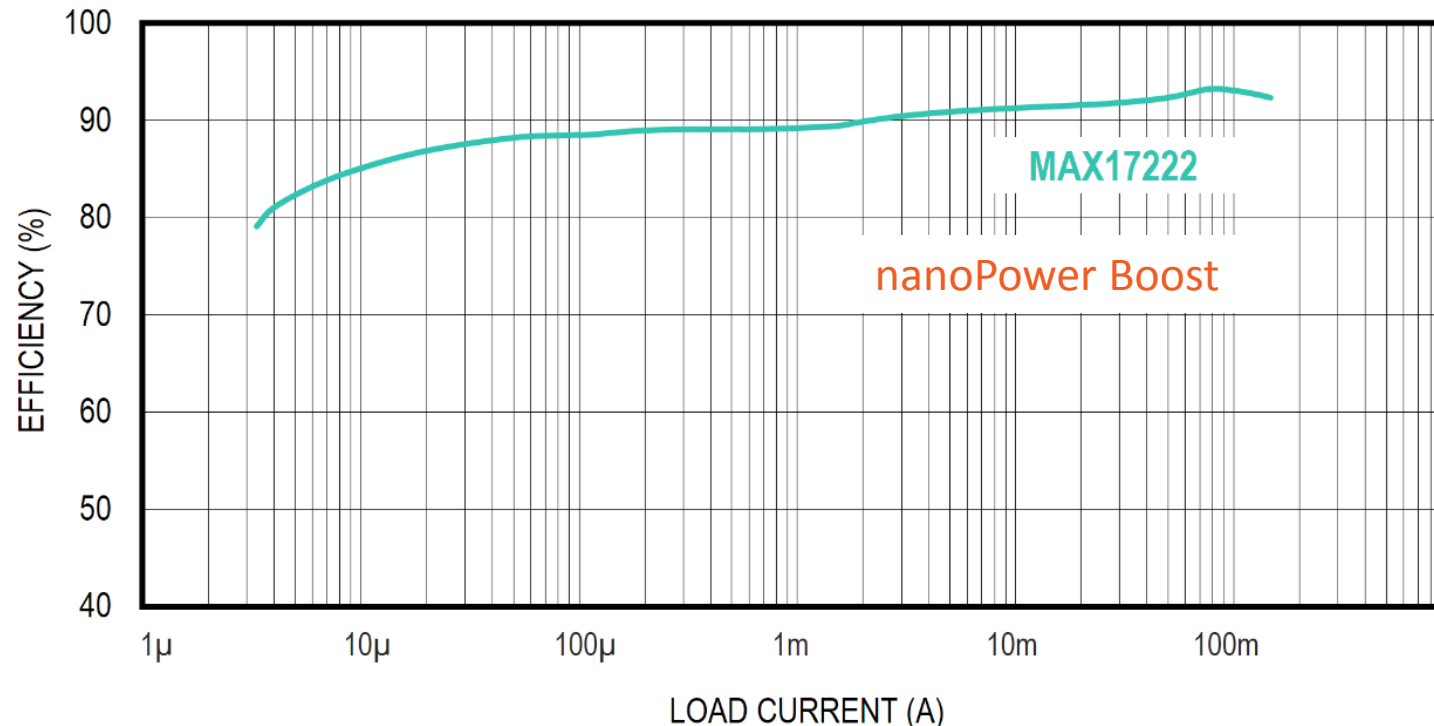


- Unique single resistor setting
- Uses 200 μ A for only 0.6ms

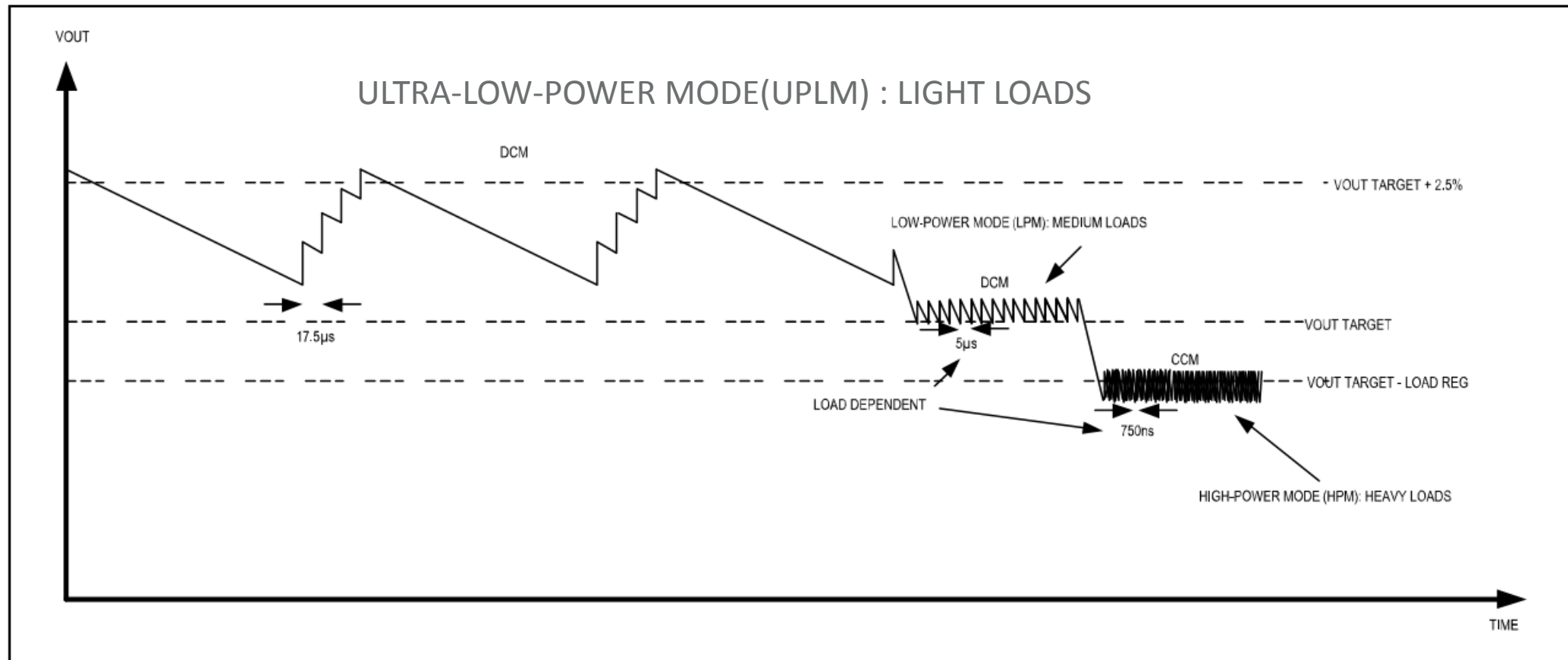


High Efficiency Throughout the Load Range

- Key contributor to power loss
- High losses at low output
- Many long-life IoT applications run on ultra-low power



ULPM, LPM, and HPM Waveforms

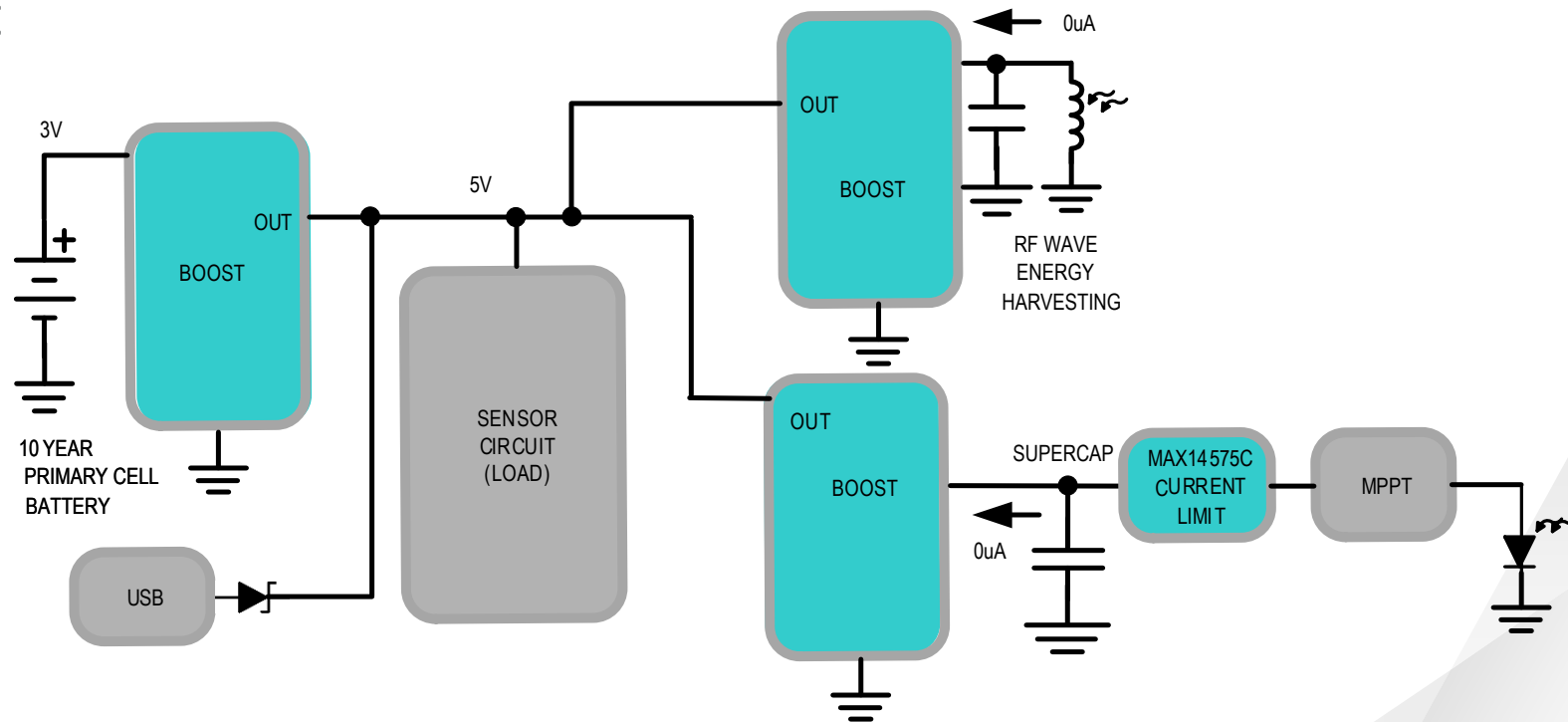


Multi-Source Systems

Working with Multiple Power Sources

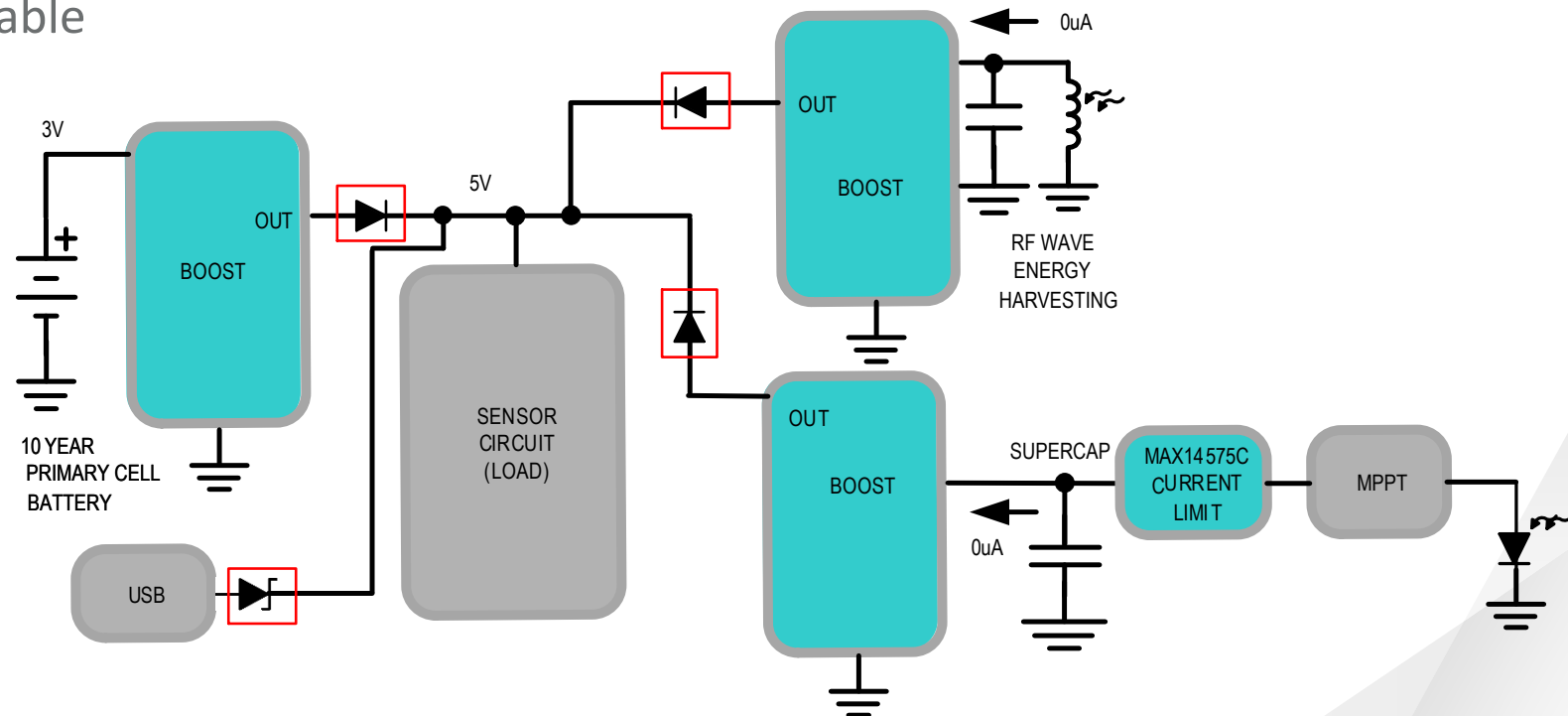
- Battery detection
- Disconnects body diode
- Soft start slowly ramps output
- No overvoltage oscillations

IOT SENSING SYSTEM WITH MULTIPLE ENERGY SOURCES



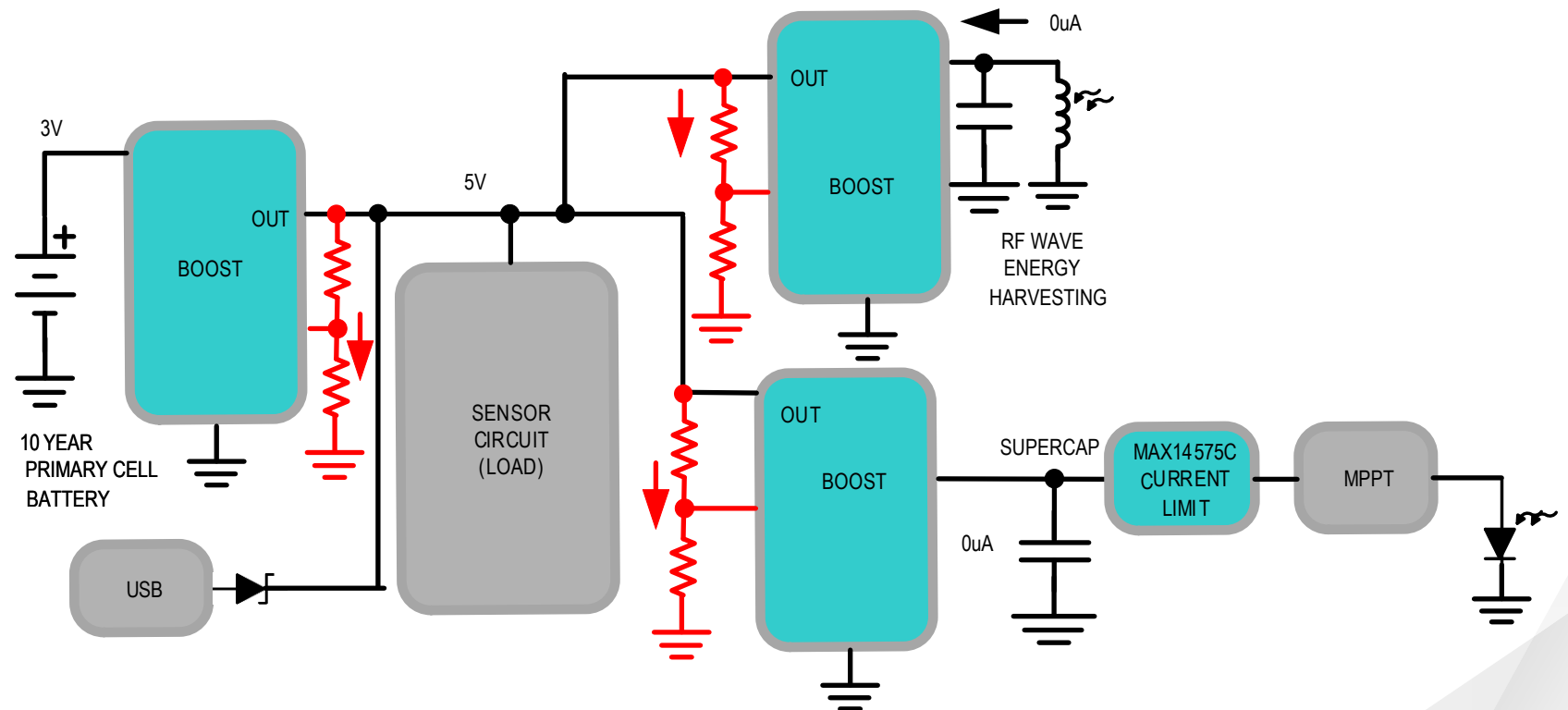
Isolate Each Power Source

- Eliminating reverse current leakage
- Diodes are commonly used in higher power systems
 - > Large voltage drops are undesirable
- Ideal diodes
 - > Need power
 - > Take up board space
 - > Need to be controlled



Other Hidden Loses

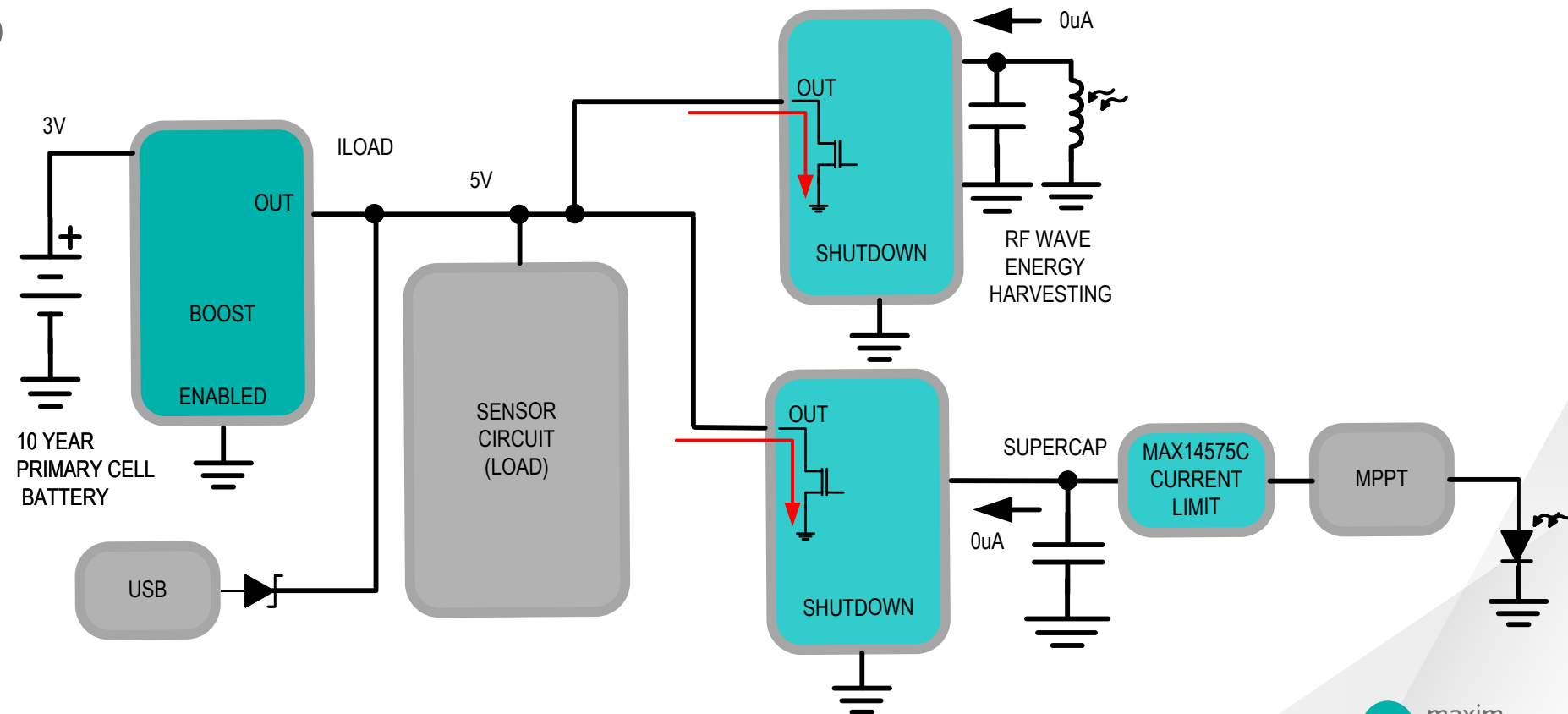
- Leakage through the divider network
- Costly loss of power for IoT devices



Watch Out for Active Load Discharge

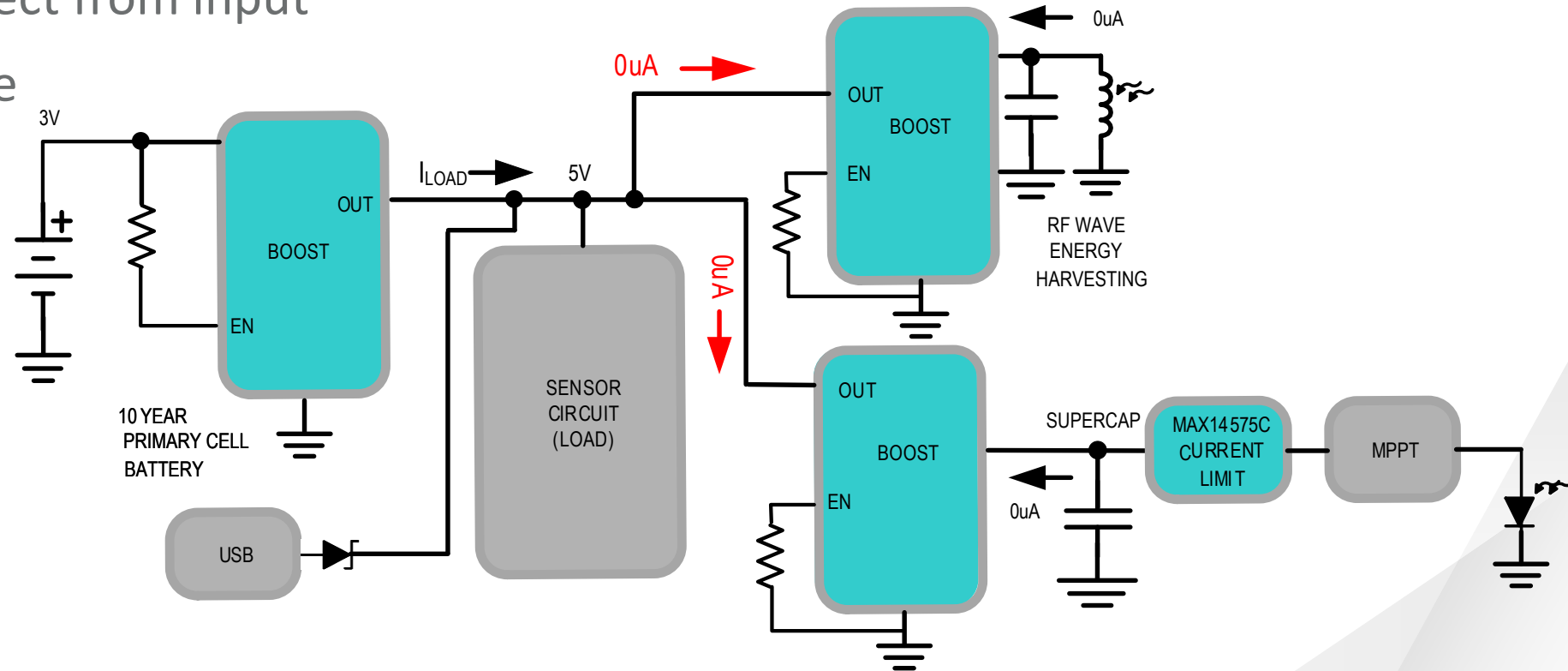
- Feature found on many boost converters
- To discharge the load circuit in SHDN
- Direct short to GND

SHORT TO GROUND WITH ACTIVE LOAD DISCHARGE



Working with Multiple Power Sources

- MAX17222 ideal for multiple source applications
- 0.5nA True Shutdown
- True output disconnect from input
- No feedback resistive network leak



Our Latest nanoPower Portfolio

Part Number	Description
MAX9634	nanoPower, precision current sense amplifier
MAX16056 – MAX059	125nA nanoPower supervisory circuit with capacitor adjustable reset and watchdog
MAX16072 – MAX16074	700nA nanoPower supervisory circuit in tiny WLP package
MAX17220 – MAX17225	0.4V to 5.5V input, nanoPower synchronous boost converter with True Shutdown
MAX40000 – MAX40001	900nA nanoPower comparator
MAX40002 – MAX40005	500nA nanoPower
MAX40007	1.7V to 5.5V, nanoPower op-amp

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Conclusion

- Consumer products are getting smaller and smaller
- Battery size determines product size
- New nanoPower boost converters solve the need for lower I_Q requirements
- A good boost converter reduces unwanted current losses
- The MAX17222 is ideal for ultra-low-power, multi-source applications

Questions and Answers

Thank You