

ELECTRICAL CHARACTERISTICS

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Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min	Тур	Max	Unit
DELAY						
Upper charging level	V _{DELU}	V _{FB} > K _{RESU} x V _{FBR}	1.6	1.9	2.15	V
Lower detection threshold	V _{DELTH}	V _{DELAY} decreasing	0.7	0.9		

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Figure 16. Minimum On Time vs. Junction Temperature Figure 17. Minimum Off Time vs. Junction Temperature

GENERAL INFORMATION

INPUT VOLTAGE

An Undervoltage Lockout (UVLO) circuit monitors the input, and inhibits switching and resets the Soft start circuit if there is insufficient voltage for proper regulation. The NCV890204 can regulate a 3.3 V output with input voltages above 4.5 V and a 5.0 V output with an input above 6.5 V.

The NCV890204 withstands input voltages up to 40 V.

To limit the power lost in generating the drive voltage for the Power Switch, the switching frequency is reduced by a factor of 2 when the input voltage exceeds the V_{IN} Frequency Foldback threshold V_{FLDUP} (see Figure 25). Frequency reduction is automatically terminated when the input voltage drops back below the V_{IN} Frequency Foldback threshold V_{FLDDN} .

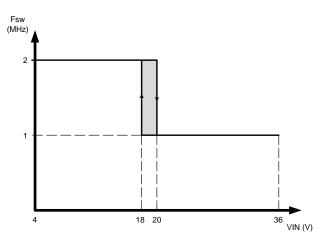


Figure 25. NCV890204 Switching Frequency Reduction at High Input Voltage

ENABLE

The NCV890204 is designed to accept either a logic level signal or battery voltage as an Enable signal. EN low induces a 'sleep mode' which shuts off the regulator and minimizes its supply current to a couple of μ A typically (I_{qSD}) by disabling all functions. Upon enabling, voltage is established at the DRV pin, followed by a soft start of the switching regulator output.

SOFT-START

Upon being enabled or released from a fault condition, and after the DRV voltage is established, a soft start circuit ramps the switching regulator error amplifier reference voltage to the final value. During soft start, the average switching frequency is lower than its normal mode value (typically 2 MHz) until the output voltage approaches regulation.

SLOPE COMPENSATION

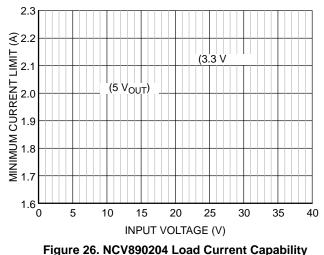
A fixed slope compensation signal is generated internally and added to the sensed current to avoid increased output voltage ripple due to bifurcation of inductor ripple current at duty cycles above 50%. The fixed amplitude of the slope compensation signal requires the inductor to be greater than a minimum value, depending on output voltage, in order to avoid sub harmonic oscillations. For 3.3 V and 5 V output voltages, the recommended inductor value is 4.7 μ H.

SHORT CIRCUIT FREQUENCY FOLDBACK

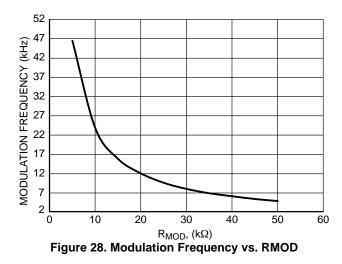
During severe output overloads or short circuits, the NCV890204 automatically reduces its switching frequency. This creates duty cycles small enough to limit the peak current in the power components, while maintaining the ability to automatically reestablish the output voltage if the overload is removed. If the current is still too high after the switching frequency folds back to 500 kHz, the regulator enters an auto recovery burst mode that further reduces the dissipated power.

CURRENT LIMITING

Due to the ripple on the inductor current, the average output current of a buck converter is lower than the peak current setpoint of the regulator. Figure 26 shows for a 4.7 μ H inductor how the variation of inductor peak current with input voltage affects the maximum DC current the NCV890204 can deliver to a load.



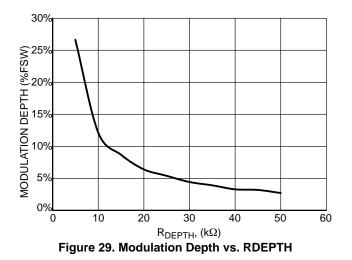
with 4.7 µH Inductor

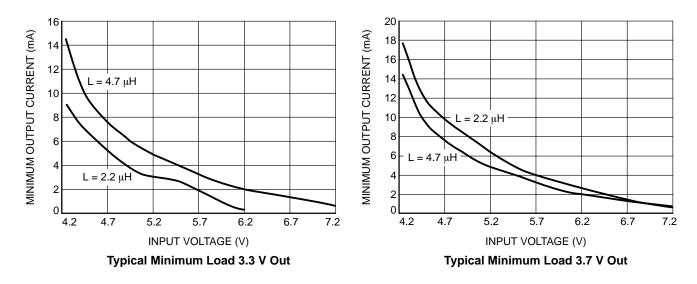


Spread spectrum is automatically turned off when there is a short to GND or an open circuit on either the RMOD pin or the RDEPTH pin.

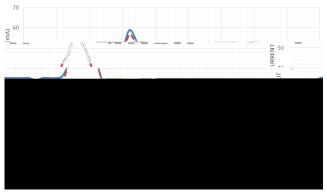
BOOTSTRAP

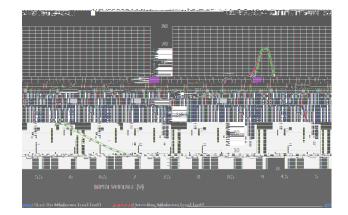
At the DRV pin an internal regulator provides a ground referenced voltage to an external capacitor (C_{DRV}), to allow fast recharge of the external bootstrap capacitor (C_{BST}











Typical Minimum Load 5.5 V Out, L1 = 4.7 μ H

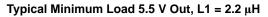


Figure 30. Minimum Load Current with Different Input and Output Voltages



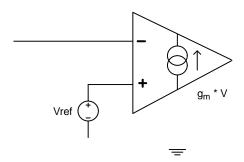
When operating in continuous conduction mode (CCM), the output voltage is equal to the input voltage multiplied by the duty ratio. Because the NCV890204 needs a sufficient bootstrap voltage to operate, its duty cycle cannot be 100%: it needs a minimum off time (t_{OFFmin}) to periodically re fuel the bootstrap capacitor C_{BST}. This imposes a maximum duty ratio

$$D_{MAX} = 1 - t_{OFFmin} \cdot F_{SW(min)}$$
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with the switching frequency being folded back down to $F_{SW(min)} = 500$ kHz to keep regulating at the lowest input voltage possible.

The drop due to the on state resistance is simply the voltage drop across the Switch resistance R_{DSON} at the given output current:

 $V_{SWdrop} = I_{OUT} \cdot R_{DSon}$ Which773(TD-.0006 Tc9).8 of



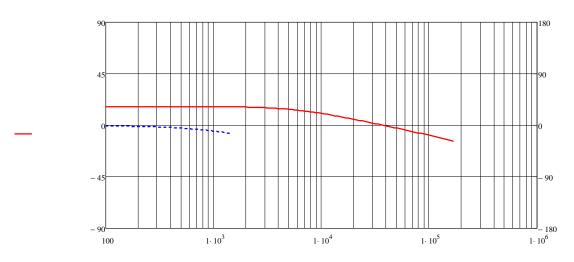


Figure 33. Power Stage Bode Plots

Figure 35 shows the bode plot of the OTA compensator

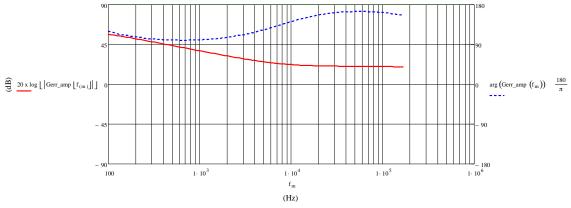
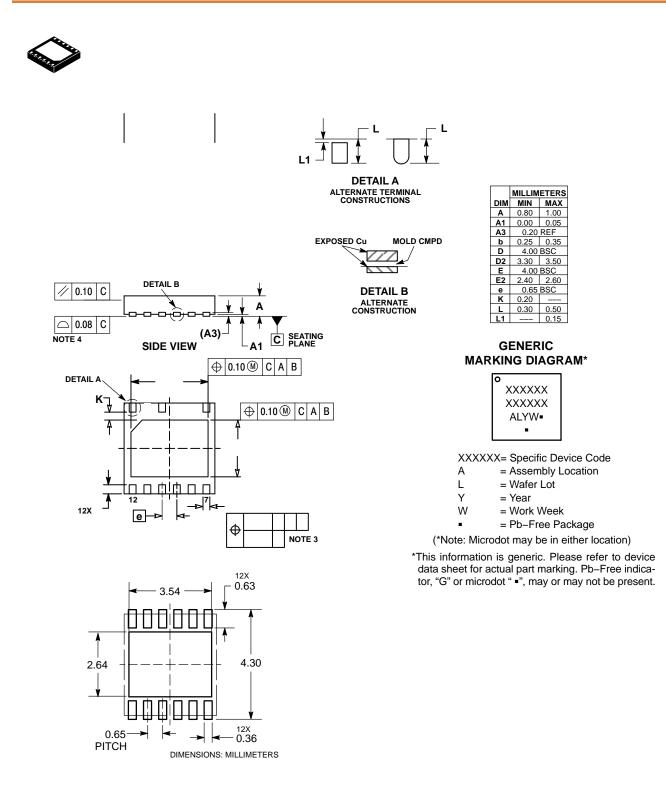


Figure 35. Bode Plot of the OTA Compensator



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