

SGx524 Regulating Pulse-Width Modulators

1 Features

- Complete Pulse-Width Modulation (PWM) powercontrol circuitry
- Uncommitted outputs for single-ended or push-pull applications
- 8-mA (TYP) standby current

2 Applications

- Transformer-coupled DC/DC convertors
- Switching-regulators of any polarity

3 Description

The SG2524 and SG3524 devices incorporate all the functions required in the construction of a regulating power supply, inverter, or switching regulator on a single chip. They also can be used as the control element for high-power-output applications. The SG2524 and SG3524 were designed for switching regulators of either polarity, transformer-coupled dcto-dc converters, transformerless voltage doublers, and polarity-converter applications employing fixedfrequency, pulse-width modulation (PWM) techniques. The complementary output allows either single-ended or push-pull application. Each device includes an onchip regulator, error amplifier, programmable oscillator, pulse-steering flip-flop, two uncommitted pass transistors, a high-gain comparator, and currentlimiting and shutdown circuitry.

Typical Application Schematic

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over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted) (1)

(1) Stresses beyond those listed under *Section 6.1* table may cause permanent damage to the device. These are stress ratings only, and functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated under *Section 6.3* table are not implied. Exposure to absolute-maximum-rated conditions for extended periods may affect device reliability.

6.2 ESD Ratings

(1) JEDEC document JEP155 states that 500-V HBM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

(2) JEDEC document JEP157 states that 250-V CDM allows safe manufacturing with a standard ESD control process.

6.3 Recommended Operating Conditions

over operating free-air temperature range (unless otherwise noted)

6.4 Thermal Information

(1) For more information about traditional and new thermal metrics, see the *IC Package Thermal Metrics* application report, [SPRA953.](https://www.ti.com/lit/pdf/spra953)

(2) Maximum power dissipation is a function of Tյ(max), θ JA, and T $_{\rm A}$. The maximum allowable power dissipation at any allowable ambient temperature is PD = (TJ(max) – TA)/θJA. Operation at the absolute maximum TJ of 150°C can impact reliability.

(3) The package thermal impedance is calculated in accordance with JESD 51-7.

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7.1 Electrical Characteristics

over operating free-air temperature range, V_{CC} = 20 V, f = 20 kHz (unless otherwise noted)

(1) All typical values, except for temperature coefficients, are at $T_A = 25^{\circ}$ C.

(2) For conditions shown as MIN or MAX, use the appropriate value specified under recommended operating conditions.

(3) Standard deviation is a measure of the statistical distribution about the mean, as derived from the formula:

$$
\sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{n=1}^{N} (x_n - \bar{x})^2}{N-1}}
$$

7.2 Electrical Characteristics — Continued, Both Parts

over operating free-air temperature range, V_{CC} = 20 V, f = 20 kHz (unless otherwise noted)

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Figure 8-1. General Test Circuit

9 Detailed Description

9.1 Overview

SGx524 is a fixed-frequency pulse-width-modulation (PWM) voltage-regulator control circuit. The regulator operates at a fixed frequency that is programmed by one timing resistor, R_T , and one timing capacitor, C_T . R_T establishes a constant charging current for C_T . This results in a linear voltage ramp at C_T , which is fed to the comparator, providing linear control of the output pulse duration (width) by the error amplifier.

The SGx524 contains an onboard 5-V regulator that serves as a reference, as well as supplying the SGx524 internal regulator control circuitry. The internal reference voltage is divided externally by a resistor ladder network to provide a reference within the common-mode range of the error amplifier as shown in [Figure 10-5,](#page-14-0) or an external reference can be used.

The output is sensed by a second resistor divider network and the error signal is amplified. This voltage is then compared to the linear voltage ramp at C_T . The resulting modulated pulse out of the high-gain comparator then is steered to the appropriate output pass transistor $(Q1 \text{ or } Q2)$ by the pulse-steering flip-flop, which is synchronously toggled by the oscillator output. The oscillator output pulse also serves as a blanking pulse to ensure both outputs are never on simultaneously during the transition times. The duration of the blanking pulse is controlled by the value of C_T .

The outputs may be applied in a push-pull configuration in which their frequency is one-half that of the base oscillator, or paralleled for single-ended applications in which the frequency is equal to that of the oscillator. The output of the error amplifier shares a common input to the comparator with the current-limiting and shut-down circuitry and can be overridden by signals from either of these inputs. This common point is pinned out externally via the COMP pin, which can be employed to either control the gain of the error amplifier or to compensate it. In addition, the COMP pin can be used to provide additional control to the regulator.

9.2 Functional Block Diagram

A. Resistor values shown are nominal.

9.3 Feature Description

9.3.1 Blanking

The output pulse of the oscillator is used as a blanking pulse at the output. This pulse duration is controlled by the value of C_T as shown in [Figure 7-2](#page-6-0). If small values of C_T are required, the oscillator output pulse duration can be maintained by applying a shunt capacitance from OSC OUT to ground.

9.3.2 Error Amplifier

The error amplifier is a differential-input transconductance amplifier. The output is available for DC gain control or AC phase compensation. The compensation node (COMP) is a high-impedance node ($R_1 = 5 M\Omega$). The gain of the amplifier is AV = $(0.002 \Omega - 1)R_1$ and easily can be reduced from a nominal 10,000 by an external shunt resistance from COMP to ground. Refer to [Figure 7-1](#page-6-0) for data.

9.3.3 Compensation

COMP, as previously discussed, is made available for compensation. Since most output filters introduce one or more additional poles at frequencies below 200 Hz, which is the pole of the uncompensated amplifier, introduction of a zero to cancel one of the output filter poles is desirable. This can be accomplished best with a series RC circuit from COMP to ground in the range of 50 kΩ and 0.001 μF. Other frequencies can be canceled by use of the formula $f \approx 1/RC$.

9.3.4 Output Circuitry

SGx524 contains two identical npn transistors, the collectors and emitters of which are uncommitted. Each transistor has antisaturation circuitry that limits the current through that transistor to a maximum of 100 mA for fast response.

9.3.5 Current Limiting

A current-limiting sense amplifier is provided in the SGx524 device. The current-limiting sense amplifier exhibits a threshold of 200 mV ±25 mV and must be applied in the ground line since the voltage range of the inputs is limited to 1 V to –1 V. Caution should be taken to ensure the –1-V limit is not exceeded by either input, otherwise, damage to the device may result.

Foldback current limiting can be provided with the network shown in Figure 9-1. The current-limit schematic is shown in [Figure 9-2.](#page-10-0)

Figure 9-1. Foldback Current Limiting for Shorted Output Conditions

Figure 9-2. Current-Limit Schematic

9.4 Device Functional Modes

9.4.1 Synchronous Operation

When an external clock is desired, a clock pulse of approximately 3 V can be applied directly to the oscillator output terminal. The impedance to ground at this point is approximately 2 kΩ. In this configuration, R_TC_T must be selected for a clock period slightly greater than that of the external clock.

If two or more SGx524 regulators are operated synchronously, all oscillator output terminals must be tied together. The oscillator programmed for the minimum clock period is the master from which all the other SGx524s operate. In this application, the C_TR_T values of the slaved regulators must be set for a period approximately 10% longer than that of the master regulator. In addition, CT (master) = 2 C_T (slave) to ensure that the master output pulse, which occurs first, has a longer pulse duration and, subsequently, resets the slave regulators.

9.4.2 Shutdown Circuitry

COMP also can be employed to introduce external control of the SGx524. Any circuit that can sink 200 μA can pull the compensation terminal to ground and, thus, disable the SGx524.

In addition to constant-current limiting, CURR LIM+ and CURR LIM– also can be used in transformer-coupled circuits to sense primary current and shorten an output pulse should transformer saturation occur. CURR LIM– also can be grounded to convert CURR LIM+ into an additional shutdown terminal.

Application and Implementation

Note

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10.1 Application Information

There are a wide variety of output configurations possible when considering the application of the SG2524 as a voltage-regulator control circuit. They can be segregated into three basic categories:

- Capacitor-diode-coupled voltage multipliers
- Inductor-capacitor-implemented single-ended circuits
- Transformer-coupled circuits

Examples of these categories are shown in Figure 10-1, [Figure 10-2](#page-12-0), and [Figure 10-3](#page-12-0), respectively. *[Section 10.2](#page-13-0)* demonstrates how to set up the SG2524 for a capacitor-diode output design. The same techniques for setting up the internal circuitry of the IC may also be used for the other two output stage examples shown *[Section 10.3](#page-15-0)*.

Figure 10-1. Capacitor-Diode-Coupled Voltage-Multiplier Output Stages

Figure 10-2. Single-Ended Inductor Circuit

Figure 10-3. Transformer-Coupled Outputs

10.2 Typical Application

10.2.1 Capacitor-Diode Output

Figure 10-4. Capacitor-Diode Output Circuit Schematic

10.2.1.1 Design Requirements

- 15-V supply voltage
- –5-V output voltage

10.2.1.2 Detailed Design Procedure

10.2.1.2.1 Oscillator

The oscillator controls the frequency of the SG2524 and is programmed by RT and CT as shown in [Figure 10-6.](#page-14-0)

$$
f \approx \frac{1.30}{R_{\tau}R_{\tau}} \tag{1}
$$

where

- R_T is in kΩ
- C_T is in μ F
- f is in kHz

Practical values of CT fall between 0.001 μF and 0.1 μF. Practical values of RT fall between 1.8 kΩ and 100 kΩ. This results in a frequency range typically from 130 Hz to 722 kHz.

10.2.1.2.2 Voltage Reference

The 5-V internal reference can be employed by use of an external resistor divider network to establish a reference common-mode voltage range (1.8 V to 3.4 V) within the error amplifiers (see [Figure 10-5\)](#page-14-0), or an external reference can be applied directly to the error amplifier. For operation from a fixed 5-V supply, the internal reference can be bypassed by applying the input voltage to both the V_{CC} and V_{REF} terminals. In this configuration, however, the input voltage is limited to a maximum of 6 V.

Figure 10-5. Error-Amplifier Bias Circuits

10.2.1.3 Application Curves

10.3 Examples of Other Output Stages

10.3.1 Flyback Converter

10.3.2 Single-Ended LC

Figure 10-8. Single-Ended LC Circuit Schematic

10.3.3 Push-Pull Transformer-Coupled

Figure 10-9. Push-Pull Transformer-Coupled Circuit Schematic

Power Supply Recommendations

SGx524 is designed to operate from an input voltage supply range between 8 V and 40 V. This input supply should be well regulated. If the input supply is located more than a few inches from the device, additional bulk capacitance may be required in addition to the ceramic bypass capacitors. A tantalum capacitor with a value of 47 μF is a typical choice, however this may vary depending upon the output power being delivered.

10 Layout

10.1 Layout Guidelines

Always try to use a low EMI inductor with a ferrite type closed core. Some examples would be toroid and encased E core inductors. Open core can be used if they have low EMI characteristics and are located a bit more away from the low power traces and components. Make the poles perpendicular to the PCB as well if using an open core. Stick cores usually emit the most unwanted noise.

10.1.1 Feedback Traces

Try to run the feedback trace as far from the inductor and noisy power traces as possible. You would also like the feedback trace to be as direct as possible and somewhat thick. These two sometimes involve a trade-off, but keeping it away from inductor EMI and other noise sources is the more critical of the two. Run the feedback trace on the side of the PCB opposite of the inductor with a ground plane separating the two.

10.1.2 Input/Output Capacitors

When using a low value ceramic input filter capacitor, it should be located as close to the VIN pin of the IC as possible. This will eliminate as much trace inductance effects as possible and give the internal IC rail a cleaner voltage supply. Some designs require the use of a feed-forward capacitor connected from the output to the feedback pin as well, usually for stability reasons. In this case it should also be positioned as close to the IC as possible. Using surface mount capacitors also reduces lead length and lessens the chance of noise coupling into the effective antenna created by through-hole components.

10.1.3 Compensation Components

External compensation components for stability should also be placed close to the IC. Surface mount components are recommended here as well for the same reasons discussed for the filter capacitors. These should not be located very close to the inductor either.

10.1.4 Traces and Ground Planes

Make all of the power (high-current) traces as short, direct, and thick as possible. It is good practice on a standard PCB board to make the traces an absolute minimum of 15 mils (0.381 mm) per ampere. The inductor, output capacitors, and output diode should be as close to each other possible. This helps reduce the EMI radiated by the power traces due to the high switching currents through them. This will also reduce lead inductance and resistance as well, which in turn reduces noise spikes, ringing, and resistive losses that produce voltage errors.

The grounds of the IC, input capacitors, output capacitors, and output diode (if applicable) should be connected close together directly to a ground plane. It would also be a good idea to have a ground plane on both sides of the PCB. This will reduce noise as well by reducing ground loop errors as well as by absorbing more of the EMI radiated by the inductor. For multi-layer boards with more than two layers, a ground plane can be used to separate the power plane (where the power traces and components are) and the signal plane (where the feedback and compensation and components are) for improved performance. On multi-layer boards the use of vias will be required to connect traces and different planes. It is good practice to use one standard via per 200 mA of current if the trace will need to conduct a significant amount of current from one plane to the other.

Arrange the components so that the switching current loops curl in the same direction. Due to the way switching regulators operate, there are two power states. One state when the switch is on and one when the switch is off. During each state there will be a current loop made by the power components that are currently conducting. Place the power components so that during each of the two states the current loop is conducting in the same direction. This prevents magnetic field reversal caused by the traces between the two half-cycles and reduces radiated EMI.

10.2 Layout Example

Figure 10-1. Layout Example for SG2524

11 Device and Documentation Support

11.1 Related Links

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Table 11-1. Related Links

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- E. Reference JEDEC MS-012 variation AC.

MECHANICAL DATA

PLASTIC SMALL-OUTLINE PACKAGE

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NOTES: All linear dimensions are in millimeters. А.

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