LMZ12003 3A Demo Board SIMPLE SWITCHER® Power Module Quick Start Guide

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Description

The LMZ12003 SIMPLE SWITCHER power module is a complete, easy to use step-down DC-DC solution capable of driving up to 3A load The LMZ12003 is available in an innovative, easy to use package that enhances thermal performance and allows for hand or machine soldering.

The LMZ12003 demo board can accept an input voltage rail between 4.5V and 20V and deliver an adjustable and highly accurate output voltage as low as 0.8V. The LMZ12003 only requires three external resistors and four external capacitors to complete the power solution. The LMZ12003 is a reliable and robust solution with the following protection features: thermal shutdown, input under-voltage lockout, output over-voltage protection, short-circuit protection, output current limit, and allows startup into a pre-biased output. A single resistor adjusts switching frequency up to 1 MHz.

Packaging Highlights

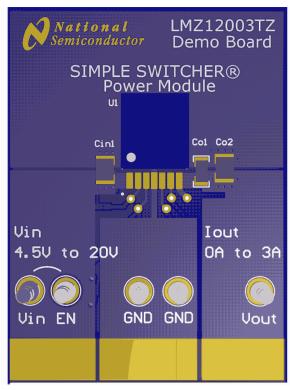
- 7 lead module package (Similar to TO-263)
- Single exposed die attach pad for enhanced thermal performance
- 10.2 x 13.8 x 4.6 mm module package
- High power density
- 1.7" x 2.3" reduced size demo board form factor

Demo Board Features

- Power input voltage range 4.5V-20V
- UVLO programmed at 4.5V
- · Adjustable output voltage range 0.8V to 6V
- · Up to 3A output current
- · Integrated shielded inductor in module
- Efficiency up to 92%
- All ceramic capacitor design
- No loop compensation required
- Starts into pre-biased loads
- · Short circuit protection
- · Thermal Shutdown
- Only 9 external passives plus module
- 2 layer low cost assembly

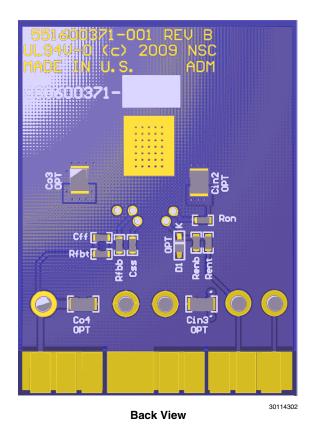
Typical Applications

- Point of load conversions from 5V and 12V input rails
- Space constrained applications
- · Industrial controls
- Telecom
- Networking equipment



Front View

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Absolute Maximum Module Ratings Demo Board Operating Ratings

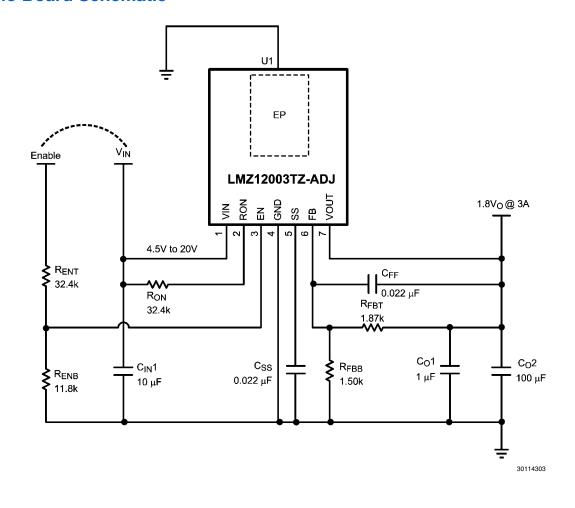
VIN, RON to GND	-0.3V to 25V
EN, FB, SS to	-0.3V to 7V
GND	

Module Operating Ratings

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VIN	4.5V to 20V
EN (Input on pin 3	0V to 6.5V
module pin)	
Junction	- 40C to +125C
Temperature	
Range (Tj)	

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VIN	4.5V to 20V
VOUT (Default	1.8V
setting)	
IOUT	0A to 3A
EN (Input on demo	0V to 20V
board post)	
UVLO setting on	4.5V
ENable input	
Soft-start time	2.2 mSec
Operating	- 40C to +70C (at
Temperature	full 3A load)
Range (Tj)	

Demo Board Schematic



Demo Board Bill of Materials

Ref Des	Description	Case	Manufacturer Part Number
Ron	32.4 kohm 1% resistor	603	
Rent	32.4 kohm 1% resistor	603	
Renb	11.8 kohm 1% resistor	603	
Rfbt	1.87 kohm 1% resistor	603	
Rfbb	1.50 kohm 1% resistor	603	
Cff	0.022 uF 50V X7R ceramic capacitor	603	
Css	0.022 uF 50V X7R ceramic capacitor	603	
Cin	10 uF 50V X5R ceramic capacitor	1210	UMK325BJ106M M-T
Cout1	1.0 uF 50V X7R ceramic capacitor	1206	UMK316B7105KL -T
Cout2	100 uF 6.3V X5R ceramic capacitor	1210	JMK325BJ107M M-T
U1	LMZ12003 SIMPLE SWITCHER Power Module	TO-PMOD	LMZ12003TZ- ADJ

Alternate resistor values for alternative output voltages			
VOUT	RFBT	RFBB	RON
6	2.49k	383 ohm	124k
5	5.62k	1.07k	100k
3.3	3.32k	1.07k	61.9k
2.5	2.26k	1.07k	47.5k
1.8	1.87k	1.50k	32.4k
1.5	1.00k	1.13k	28.0k
1.2	4.22k	8.45k	22.6k
0.8	0.0K	39.2k	24.9k

Demo Board Hookup

VOUT Connect the load to VOUT and one of the GND posts. The module can source up to a 3A load current.

Connect Vin to a positive voltage in the 4.5 to 20V range. Connect the negative terminal of the source supply to one of the posts labeled GND.

The Enable input post is configured for direct connection to the Vin post. With the chosen resistor values this results in an under voltage lockout level of 4.5V input. The top enable resistor is RENT (aka REN1) and the bottom enable resistor is RENB (aka REN2).

If the Enable post is disconnected, the module will be disabled and about 20 uA of supply current will flow from Vin to ground while in the disabled mode. With the enable input connected to Vin via the resistor divider there will be about 1.5 mA of noload quiescent current into the Vin input. Additional current flows into the enable divider string.

Demo Board Passive Components

Soft-start capacitor The soft-start capacitor controls the rise time of the output voltage when power is first applied and following the clearing of a fault mode.

Feedback divider Regulator output voltage is programmed though the selection of the two resistors. RFBT (aka RFB1) and RFB (aka RFB2) A feed forward capacitor (CFF) is located in parallel with the upper feedback divider resistor. This capacitor improves the step response to abrupt changes in load current. Refer to the table above when modifying the board for a different output voltage. Resistor values shown will minimize error in output voltage setting.

RON Resistor: The primary function of the RON resistor is to set the On-Time interval of the internal control section switch-

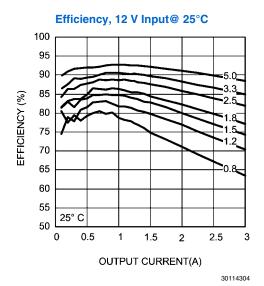
ing cycle. The secondary function of the RON resistor is to create a nearly constant operating frequency over the input operating voltage range. If the output voltage of the regulator is changed by adjusting the feedback divider then it is generally required that the RON resistor value also be changed in order to maintain the same operating frequency.

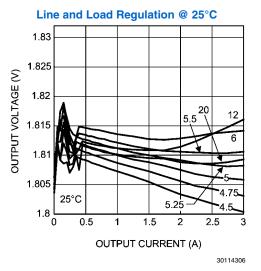
Cout A parallel connection of a 1uF 50V and a 100uF 6.3V multilayer ceramic are used for the output capacitor. Loca-

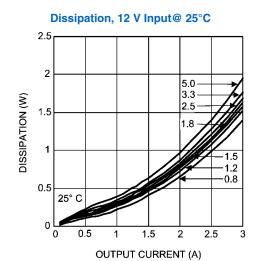
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CinA 10 uF 50V multilayer ceramic is connected as the input filter. Locations are provided on the PCB assembly for experimenting with additional input capacitors.

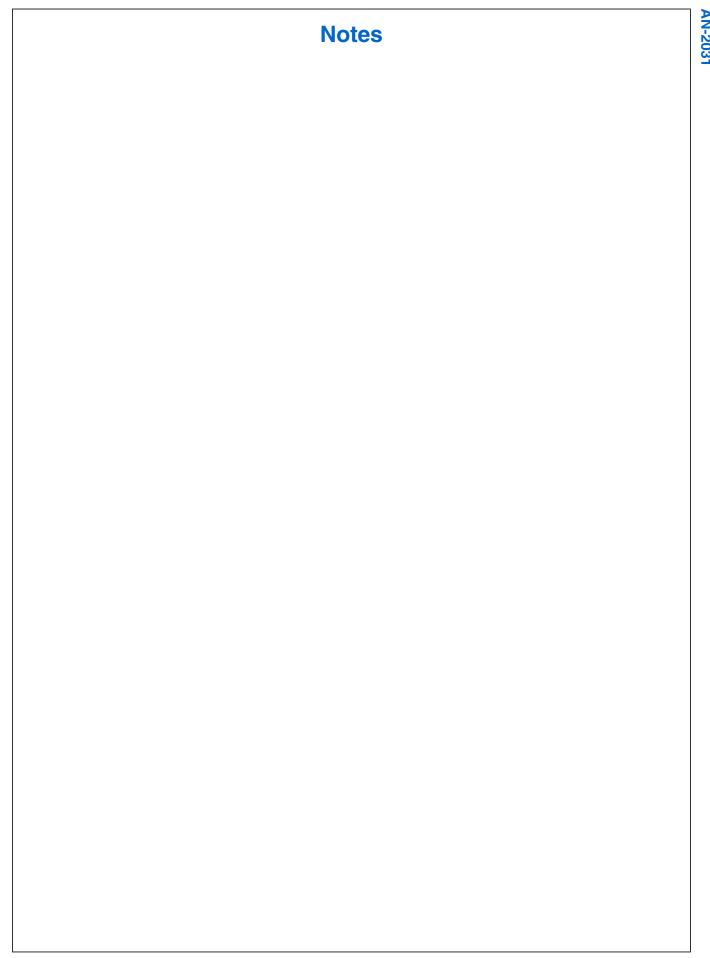
Performance Characteristics







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