1.5A, Hysteretic, High Brightness LED Driver with Internal Switch

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The EC4304C is a continuous mode inductive step-down and buck-boost converter, designed for driving single or multiple series connected LEDs from a voltage source higher than or lower than the LED voltage. It operates from input supply between 7 V and 40 V and provides and externally adjustable output current up to 1.5 A with proper supply voltage and external components, the EC4304C can provide more than 50 watts of output power.
This EC4304C includes the output switch and high-side output current sensing circuit, which uses an external resistor to set the nominal average output current.
The ADJ pin will accept either a wide range pulse dimming waveform or a DC voltage. This will provide either a continuous or gated output current depending upon the control frequency. The soft-start time can be increased by connecting an external capacitor from the ADJ pin to ground. The PWM filter components also serve as softstart time setting. Applying a 0.2 V or lower to the ADJ pin turns the output off and switches the device into a low current standby state.

## FEATURES

- Operates from 7V to 40 V Supply Voltage
- Single Pin On/Off and Brightness Control Using DC Voltage or PWM
- Up to $95 \%$ Efficiency
- Internal 40V NDMOS Switch
- Up to 1.5A Output Current
- Typical +/-5\% LED Current Accuracy
- Input Under Voltage Lockout
- SOP 8L(Exposed PAD) Package
- RoHS Compliant and Halogen-Free


## Applications

- Automotive LED Lighting
- High Power LED Lighting
- Indicator and Emergency Lighting
- Architectural Lighting
- Low Voltage Industrial Lighting
- Signage and Decorative LED Lighting


## Pin Configuration



## Pin Description

| Pin No | Pin Name | Pin Function |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | VIN | Power supply input pin. Connect a nominal (7V~40V) power supply to this pin. The <br> power- on-reset (POR) function monitors the input voltage by this pin. It is <br> recommended that a decoupling capacitor (4.7 <br> connected to the GND for noise decoupligher X7R Ceramic capacitor) be |
| $\mathbf{2 / 3 / 6 / 7}$ | GND | Ground for the IC. All voltages levels are measured with respect to this pin. |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | ISENSE | Current Sense Pin: Sense LED String Current. |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | ADJ | Multi-Function ON/OFF and Brightness Control Pin: <br> -Analog signal input for analog control of PWM dimming. <br> -PWM signal input for digital PWM dimming. |
| $\mathbf{8}$ | LX | Drain of NDMOS Switch. |
| Exposed PAD |  | Ground and thermal Pad |

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## Typical Application



## Ordering/ Marking Information

EC4304CNXX R
$\mathrm{R}=$ Tape \& Reel
Package :
MH : SOP 8L
(Exposed PAD)

| Part Number | Package | Marking | Marking Information |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| EC4304CNMHR | SOP 8L <br> (Exposed PAD) | 4304C <br> LLLLL <br> DDDDDD | LLLLL is Lot No <br> DDDDDD : Date Code |

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## Functional Block Diagram



## Functional Description

The EC4304C is a simple high-efficiency, continuous mode inductive step-down converter. The device operates with an input voltage range from 7 V to 40 V and delivers up to 1.5 A of output current. A high-side current-sense resistor sets the output current and a dedicated PWM dimming input enables pulsed LED dimming over a wide range of brightness levels. A high side current-sensing scheme and an on-board current setting circuitry minimize the number of external components which is required while delivering LED current with $+5 \%$ accuracy, using a $1 \%$ sense resistor.

## Adjusting Output Current

The device contains a low pass filter between the ADJ pin and the threshold comparator and an internal current limiting resistor between ADJ and the internal reference voltage. This allows the ADJ pin to be overdriven with either DC or pulse signals to change the $\mathrm{V}_{\text {SENSE }}$ switching threshold and adjust the output current. Details of the different modes of adjusting output current are given in the applications section by:
$\mathrm{I}_{\text {OUTdc }}=\frac{\mathrm{V}_{\text {ADJ }}}{1.25} \times \frac{100 \mathrm{mV}}{R_{\text {SENSE }}} \quad$ ( for $0.3 \mathrm{~V}<\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{ADJ}}<2.5 \mathrm{~V}$ )
The value of the output current is 1 A at $0.1 \Omega(0.5 \mathrm{~A}$ at $0.2 \Omega)$ and this is a calculated output current when the ADJ terminal is 1.25 V floating.

## Shutdown Mode

Taking the ADJ pin to a voltage below 0.2 V for more than approximately $100 \mu \mathrm{~s}$ will turn off the output, and supply current will fall to a low standby level of $20 \mu \mathrm{~A}$ nominal.

## Soft-Start

The device has inbuilt soft-start action due to the delay through the PWM filter. An external capacitor from the ADJ pin to ground will provide additional soft-start delay, by increasing the time taken for the voltage on this pin to rise to the turn-on threshold and by slowing down the rate of rise of the control voltage at the input of the comparator.
With no external capacitor, the time taken for the output to reach $90 \%$ of its final value is approximately $500 \mu \mathrm{~s}$. Adding capacitance increases this delay by approximately $0.5 \mathrm{~ms} / \mathrm{nF}$.

## Inherent open-circuit LED protection

If the connection to the LED(s) is open-circuited, the coil is isolated from the LX pin of the chip, so the chip will not be damaged. Unlike in many boost converters, where the back EMF may damage the internal switch by forcing the drain above its breakdown voltage.


## Thermal Information

Package Thermal Resistance (Note 3)
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Power Dissipation, $P_{D} @ T_{A}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
SOP 8L(Exposed PAD)
2.13W

## Recommended Operation Conditions

Operating Junction Temperature Range (Note 4) -------------------------------40 $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ to $+125^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Operating Ambient Temperature Range -----------------------------------------------40.- C to $+85^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$
Note 1. Stresses listed as the above "Absolute Maximum Ratings" may cause permanent damage to the device.
These are for stress ratings. Functional operation of the device at these or any other conditions beyond those indicated in the operational sections of the specifications is not implied. Exposure to absolute maximum rating conditions for extended periods may remain possibility to affect device reliability.
Note 2. Devices are ESD sensitive. Handling precaution recommended.
Note 3. $\theta_{\mathrm{JA}}$ is measured in the natural convection at $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ on a high effective thermal conductivity test board of JEDEC 51-7 thermal measurement standard.
Note 4. The device is not guaranteed to function outside its operating conditions.

## Electrical Characteristics

( $\mathrm{V}_{\mathrm{IN}}=12 \mathrm{~V}, \mathrm{~T}_{\mathrm{A}}=25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, unless otherwise specified)

| Parameter | Symbol | Test Conditions | Min | Typ | Max | Units |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Supply Input |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supply Voltage Range | Vin |  | 7 | - | 40 | V |
| VIN POR Threshold | Vingth | VIN Rising | - | 4.95 | - | V |
| VIN POR Threshold | VInfth | VIN Falling | - | 4.8 | - | V |
| Quiescent Current with Output Off | I_QOFF | ADJ pin grounded | - | 20 | 40 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Quiescent Current with Output Switching | I_qON | ADJ pin floating $f=250 \mathrm{KHz}$ | - | 0.5 | 1.0 | mA |
| ISENSE Pin |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current Sense Threshold Voltage | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {ISENSE }}$ | ISENSE pin with respect to VIN, ADJ $=1.25 \mathrm{~V}$ | 95 | 100 | 105 | mV |
| ISENSE Input Current | $I_{\text {SENSE }}$ | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {sense }}=\mathrm{V}_{\text {IN }}-0,1$ | - | - | 1.0 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Reference |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Reference Voltage | Vref | ADJ pin Voltage | - | 1.25 | - | V |
| Reference Voltage Temperature Coefficient |  |  | - | 50 | - | ppm/ $/ \mathrm{K}$ |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ADJ Pin |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ADJ Pin for DC Control Level | $\mathrm{V}_{\text {AdJ }}$ |  | 0.3 | - | 2.5 | V |
| ADJ to Switch Device from On State to Off State | V $\mathrm{ADJ}^{\text {off }}$ | $V_{\text {ADJ }}$ falling | 0.15 | 0.2 | 0.25 | V |
| ADJ to Switch Device from Off State to On State | Vadj_on | $V_{\text {ADJ }}$ rising | 0.2 | 0.25 | 0.3 | V |
| ADJ to VREF Resistance | Radj | $0<V_{\text {ADJ }}<V_{\text {REF }}$ | 135 | - | 250 | K $\Omega$ |
|  |  | $V_{\text {AdJ }}>\mathrm{V}_{\text {REF }}+100 \mathrm{mV}$ | 13.5 | - | 25 | K $\Omega$ |
| ADJ Pin Low Frequency Duty Cycle Range | $\mathrm{D}_{\text {PWm }}(\mathrm{LF})$ | PWM frequency < 500Hz | 10 | - | 100 | \% |
| ADJ Pin High Frequency Duty Cycle Range | $\mathrm{D}_{\text {PwM }}$ (HF) | PWM frequency $>10 \mathrm{KHz}$ | 16 | - | 100 | \% |
| LX pin |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LX Switch Current | Itxmean |  | - | - | 1.5 | A |
| LX Ros_on | Rıx | $@ 1 . x=1 \mathrm{~A}$ | - | 0.3 | 0.6 | $\Omega$ |
| LX Leakage Current |  |  | - | - | 5 | $\mu \mathrm{A}$ |
| Minimum Switch ON Time | Ton_min | LX Switch ON | - | 240 | - | ns |
| Minimum Switch OFF Time | Toff_min | LX Switch OFF | - | 200 | - | ns |
| Recommended Minimum Switch ON Time | Ton_min_rec |  | - | 800 | - | ns |
| Frequency |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operation Frequency | flx | ADJ pin floating, $\mathrm{L}=33 \mu \mathrm{H}(0.093 \Omega)$ lout $=1 \mathrm{~A} @ \mathrm{~V}_{\text {LED }}=3.6 \mathrm{~V}$ driving 1LED | - | 280 | - | kHz |
| Recommended Maximum Operation Frequency | fıxmax |  | - | - | 1 | MHz |
| Duty Cycle Range of Output Switch of Operation Frequency | Dıx |  | 30 | - | 70 | \% |
| Internal Comparator Propagation Delay | $\mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{PD}}$ |  | - | 50 | - | ns |
| Soft-Start |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Soft-Start Time | $\mathrm{t}_{\text {ss }}$ | Time taken for output current to reach $90 \%$ of final value after voltage on ADJ pin has risen above 0.3 V . | - | 500 | - | $\mu \mathrm{s}$ |

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## Typical Operation Characteristics

Supply Current vs. Supply Voltage


Reference Voltage vs. Supply Voltage


Reference Voltage vs. Temperature


Shutdown Current vs. Supply Voltage

$\mathbf{R}_{\mathrm{DS}-\mathrm{ON}} \mathrm{vs}$. Temperature


Soft Start Time vs. $\mathrm{C}_{\text {ADJ }}$


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## Typical Operation Characteristics




Current Variation vs. Supply Voltage


Output Current vs. Supply Voltage


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## Package Information

SOP 8L(Exposed PAD)


## Recommended Solder Pad Layout



## Note

1.Package Outline Unit Description:

BSC: Basic. Represents theoretical exact dimension or dimension target
MIN: Minimum dimension specified.
MAX: Maximum dimension specified.
REF: Reference. Represents dimension for reference use only. This value is not a device specification.
TYP. Typical. Provided as a general value. This value is not a device specification.
2.Dimensions in Millimeters.
3.Drawing not to scale.
4.These dimensions do not include mold flash or protrusions. Mold flash or protrusions shall not exceed 0.15 mm .

