

Features

- Size 49.5mm x 38.1 mm x 13.0 mm (1.95 in. x 1.50 in. x 0.51 in.)
- Five-sided Metal Case
- Maximum weight 68.1g (2.4 oz.)
- Through-hole pins 3.68mm (0.145")
- Industry standard 1/16th brick pin locations
- Up to 300W of output power in high ambient temperature, low airflow environments with minimal power de-rating
- · Wide output voltage adjustment range
- Negative logic On/Off
- Constant switching frequency
- · Remote Sense
- Full, auto-recovery protection
 - Input under voltage
 - Short circuit
 - Thermal limit
- ISO Certified manufacturing facilities

RGC Series DC/DC Power Module Series

Rugged 300W Step-up/Step-down Converter 9-53V Input range; Wide 1/16th Brick Footprint

RGC power modules perform both step up and step down voltage conversions from 12V, 24V or 48V buses. The RGC series is encapsulated to protect the components while operating in harsh environments. The five sided metal case improves EMI and features two threaded and two non-threaded mounting holes for enhancing cooling in conduction or convection systems. The high operating efficiency and metal case allow designers to avoid thermal problems and achieve outstanding reliability even in demanding environments.

Optional Features

- Positive logic On/Off
- Power Good
- Frequency Synchronization
- Output Current Monitor
- Output Current trim to enable parallel operation or adjust over current protection threshold
- Short 2.79mm (0.110") pin length
- Long 4.57mm (0.180") pin length



Ordering Information:

Product Identifier	Platform	Input Voltage	Output Current	Units	Main Output Current	Units		Feature Set
RG	С	4W	300	W	800	Α	-	001
TDK- Lambda Rugged	1.95" x 1.50" Buck- boost	9V to 53V	300 – 300W	Watts	008 – 8A 012 – 12A	Amps		See option table

Option Table:

Feature Set	Positive Logic On/Off	Negative Logic On/Off	Full Feature (Power Good, Sync, Current Monitor)	Alternate Full Feature (Itrim, Sync, Current Monitor)	0.145" Pin Length	0.180" Pin Length
-000	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	No
-001*	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
-003	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
-P03	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
-007	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes

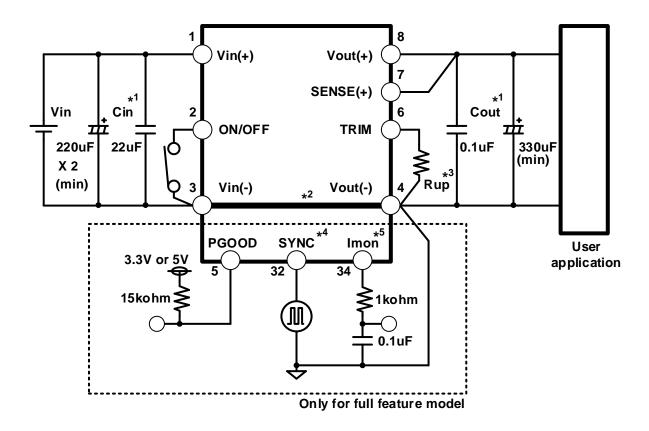
^{*}Preferred option

Product Offering:

Product Code	Input Voltage (V)	Output Voltage (V)	Output Current (A)	Maximum Output Power (W)	Efficiency
RGC4W300W012A	9 - 53	5.0 - 28	12.5	300	97%
RGC4W300W008A	9 - 53	9.6 - 48	8.0	300	97%



RGC Typical Application Circuit (-0xx product options):

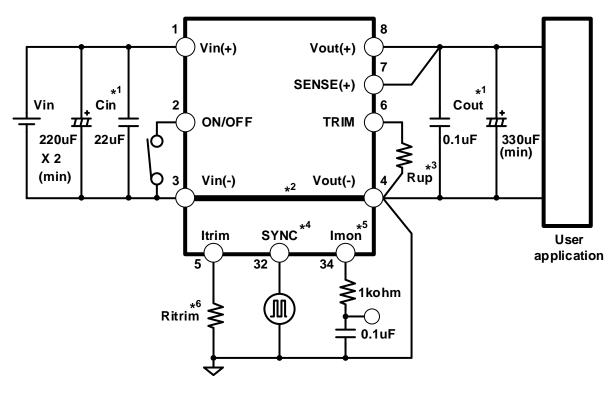


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- 3. TRIM resistor "Rup" should be connected to the RGC module as close as possible.
- 4. SYNC must be connected to GND when not in use.
- 5. External R-C filter should be present when using Current Monitor.



RGC Typical Application Circuit (-Px3 option, Itrim used to modify OCP trip point):



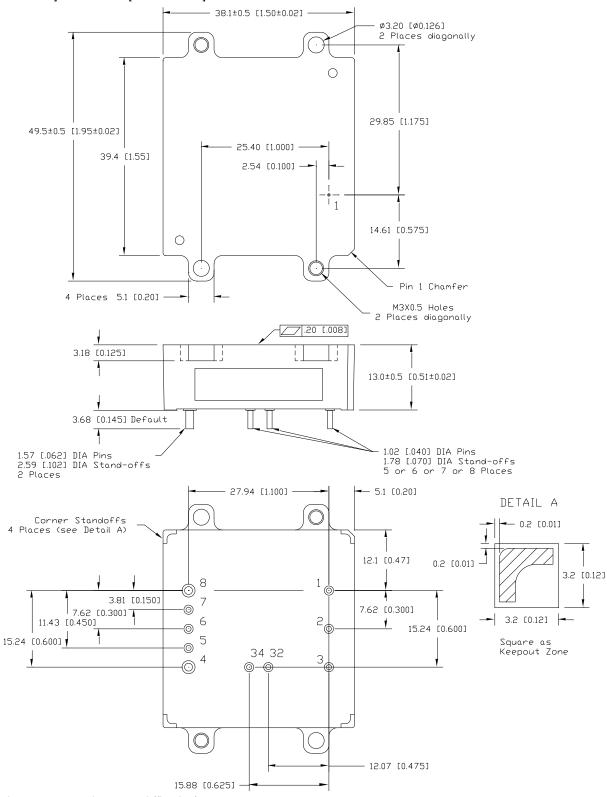
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- 6. Current limit TRIM resistor "Ritrim" should be connected to the RGC module as close as possible.



Mechanical Specification:

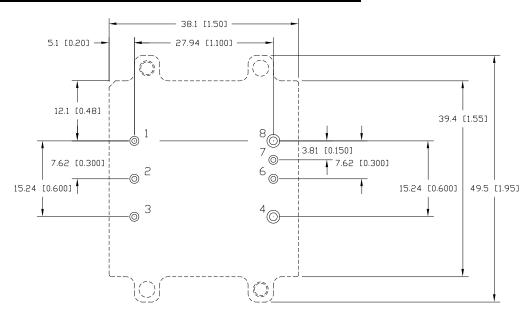
Dimensions are in mm [in]. Unless otherwise specified, tolerances are: $x.x \pm 0.5 [x.xx \pm 0.02] / x.xx \pm 0.25 [x.xxx \pm 0.010]$



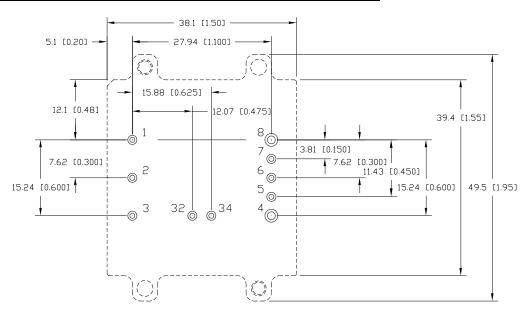
Note: Case is not connected to ground (floating).



Recommended Hole Pattern - Standard Feature: (Top View)



Recommended Hole Pattern - Full Feature options: (Top View)



Pin Assignment:

PIN	Function	PIN	Function
1	Vin (+)	6	TRIM
2	On / Off	7	SENSE +
3	Vin (-) / GND	8	Vout (+)
4	Vout (-) / GND	32	Sync (option)
5	Power Good or Itrim (option)	34	Imon (option)

Note:

Pin base material is brass or copper with gold over nickel plating.

Maximum Weight: 68.1g (2.4 oz.)



Absolute Maximum Ratings:

Stresses in excess of Absolute Maximum Ratings may cause permanent damage to the device.

Characteristic	Min	Max	Unit	Notes & Conditions
Continuous Input Voltage	-0.25	55	Vdc	
Isolation Voltage			Vdc	NOT APPLICABALE
Storage Temperature	-55	125	°C	
Operating Temperature Range (Tc)	-40	115*	°C	Measured at the location specified in the thermal measurement figure; maximum temperature varies with output current – see curve in the thermal performance section of the data sheet.

^{*}Engineering estimate

Input Characteristics:

Unless otherwise specified, specifications apply over all rated Input Voltage, Resistive Load and Temperature Conditions.

Characteristic	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Notes & Conditions
Operating Input Voltage	10		53	Vdc	
Maximum Input Current			25	А	Vin = Vin,min to Vin,max; Io = Io,max
Stand-by Input current		0.25		mA	Vin = Vin,nom, On/Off = Off
No load Input current		5.0		mA	Vin = 24V; Vo = 12V; Io = No load
Startup Delay Time from application of input voltage		5		ms	Vo = 0 to 0.1*Vo,set; On/Off = On, Io = Io,max, Tc = 25°C
Startup Delay Time from On/Off		5		ms	Vo = 0 to 0.1*Vo,set; Vin = Vi,nom, Io = Io,max,Tc = 25°C
Output Voltage Rise Time		15		ms	Io = Io,max,Tc = 25°C, Vo = 0.1 to 0.9*Vo,set
Input Ripple Rejection		50*		dB	@ 120 Hz
Turn on input voltage		9.5		V	
Turn off input voltage		8.5	9	V	
Output / Input conversion ratio "Vo / Vin"	0.125				

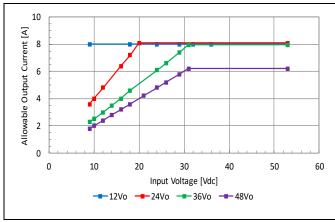
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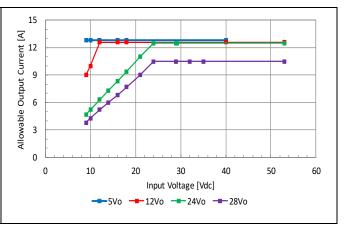
Caution: The power modules are not internally fused. An external input line normal blow fuse with a maximum value of 30A is required; see the Safety Considerations section of the data sheet.



Operating Range:

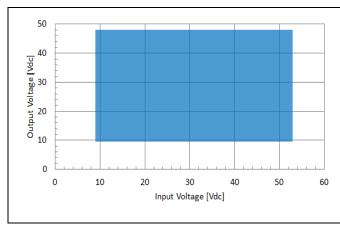
Allowable output current is limited by the combination of Vin and Vout during Step-up mode. Output voltage may start to decrease if the allowable output current is exceeded.

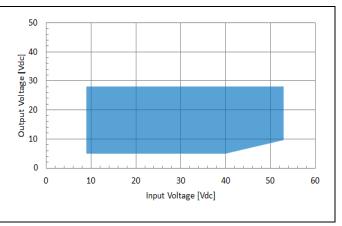




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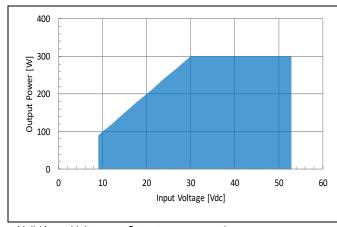
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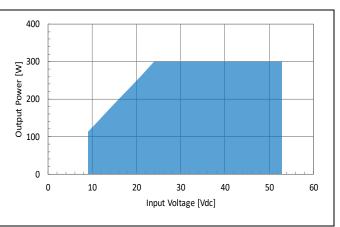




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Electrical Characteristics: RGC4W300W012A-xxx (12.5A)

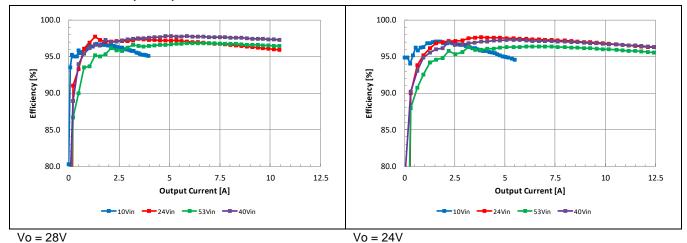
Characteristic	Min	Тур	Max	Unit	Notes & Conditions
Output Voltage Initial Set point	-2.5	-	+2.5	%	Vin=Vin,nom; Io=Io,min; Tc = 25°C
Output Voltage Tolerance	-4.0	-	+4.0	%	Overall rated input voltage, load, and temperature conditions to end of life
Efficiency Vo = 12V Vo = 24V		91 94		% %	Vin=10V; Io=Io,max; Tc = 25°C
Efficiency $Vo = 12V$ Vo = 24V		94 96		% %	Vin=24V; Io=Io,max; Tc = 25°C
Efficiency Vo = 12V Vo = 24V		93 96		% %	Vin=48V; Io=Io,max; Tc = 25°C
Line Regulation		0.8		%	Vin=Vin,min to Vin,max
Load Regulation		0.8		%	lo=lo,min to lo,max
Output Current	0		12.5	А	Observe maximum power limit. Allowable output current varies with input voltage, please refer to chart.
Output Current Limiting Threshold		17		А	Vo = 0.9*Vonom, Tc <tc,max For –Px3 option Ritrim = open</tc,max
Output Current Limiting Adjustment Range	3		17	Α	Only for -Px3 option, Tc = 25°C
Output Current Limiting Adjustment Tolerance		+/- 8%		%	Only for -Px3 option, Tc = 25°C Vin = 24V; Vout = 5V; Ritrim = 14kohm
Short Circuit Current		3.5		Α	Vo = 0.25V, Tc = 25°C
Over Temperature Protection Threshold		130		°C	Referenced hot spot
Output Ripple and Noise Voltage Step down: 53Vin, 24Vo, 12.5A		100		mVpp	Measured across one 330 μF electrolytic capacitor and one 22 μF ceramic capacitor – see input/output ripple measurement
Step up : 10Vin, 24Vo, 5.5A		350		mVpp	figure; BW = 20MHz.
Output Voltage Adjustment Range	5		28	V	
Output Voltage Sense Range			5	%	
Dynamic Response: Recovery Time		200		μS	di/dt =1A/us, Vin=Vin,nom; Vo=24V, load step from 25% to 75% of lo,max
Transient Voltage		500		mV	
Switching Frequency		250		kHz	Fixed, at light loads the module may skip pulses
External Load Capacitance	330		3000*	μF	
Vref		1.0		V	Required for trim calculation
Vo,nom		5.013		V	Required for trim calculation
F		30100		Ω	Required for trim calculation
G		1000		Ω	Required for trim calculation

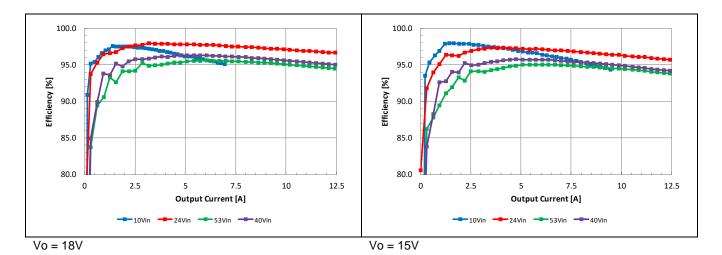
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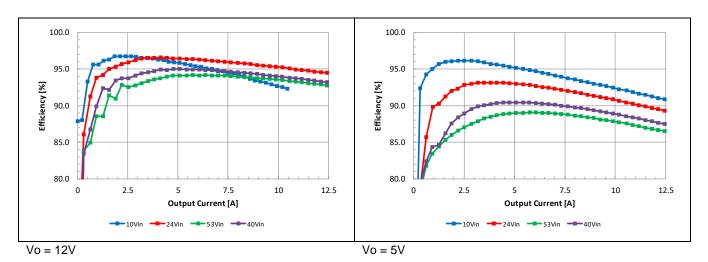


Typical Efficiency vs. Input Voltage:

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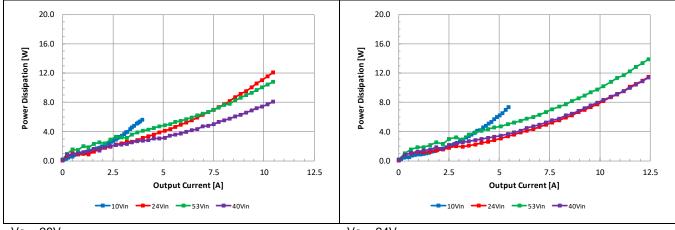




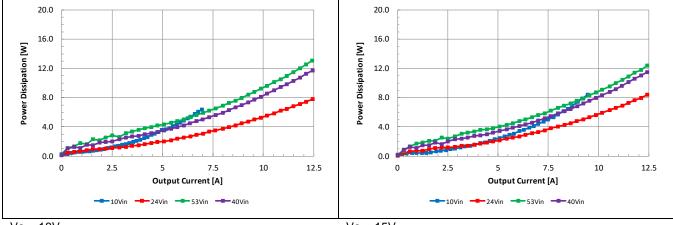


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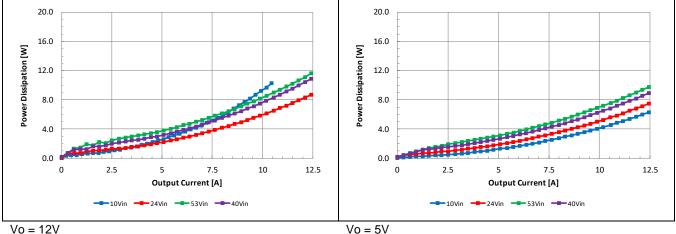
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Vo = 28V Vo = 24V



Vo = 18V Vo = 15V

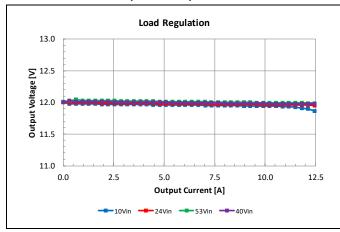


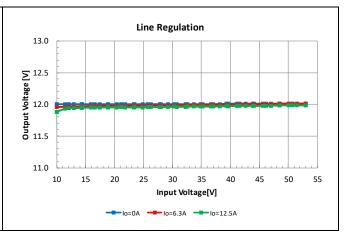
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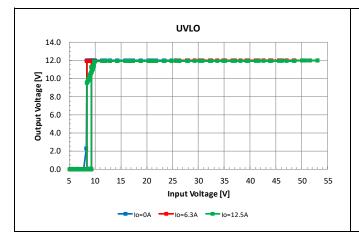


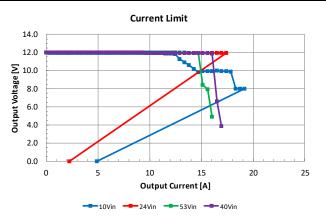
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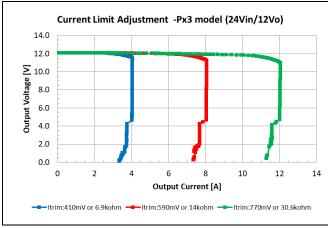
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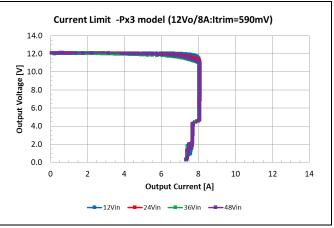












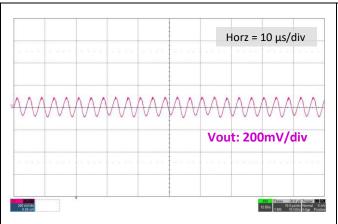
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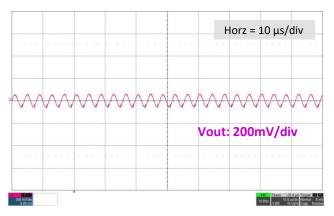
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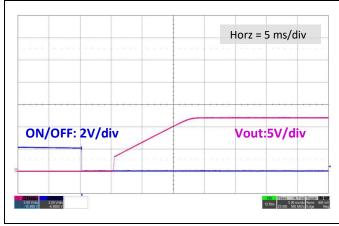
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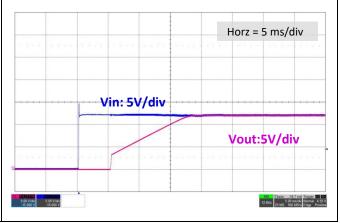




Typical Output Ripple at full load with step-up mode; Vin=10V, Vo=12V, Io=12.5A; Cext=330 μ F with 60mohm ESR of electrolytic capacitor.

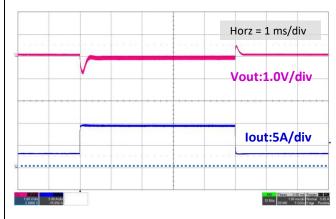
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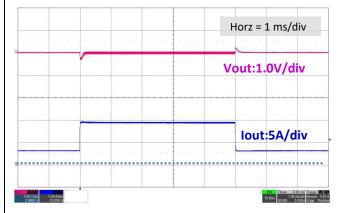




Typical startup characteristic from On/Off at full load; Vin=12V, Vo=12V, Io=12.5A, Cext=330µF.

Typical startup characteristic from Vin at full load; Vin=12V, Vo=12V, Io=12.5A, Cext=330µF.





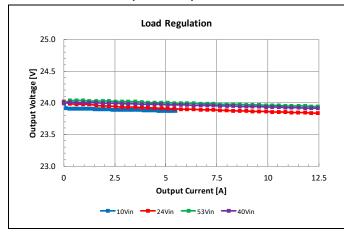
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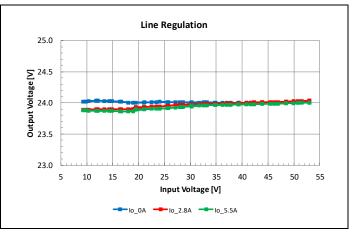
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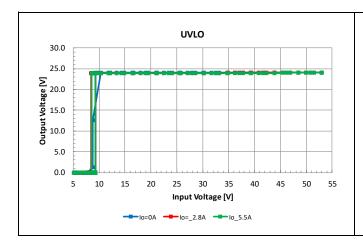


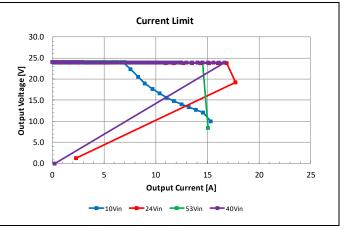
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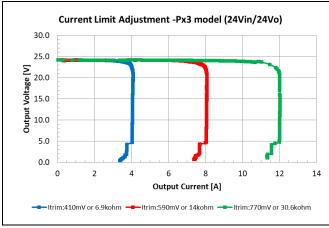
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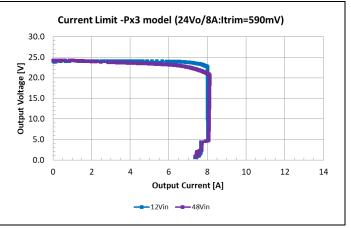












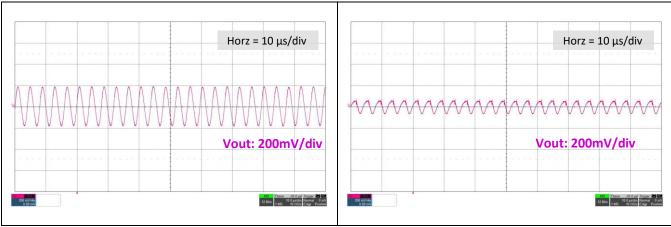
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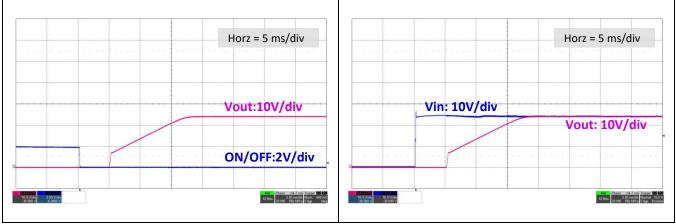
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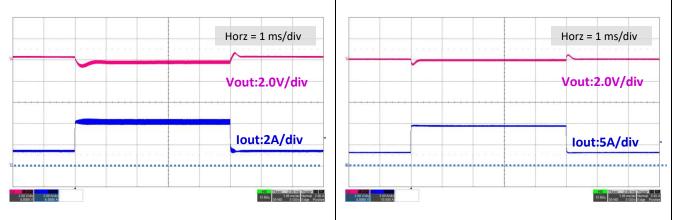
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Typical Output Ripple at full load with step-down mode; Vin=24V, Vo=24V, Io=12.5A, Cext=330 μ F; with 60mohm ESR of electrolytic capacitor.



Typical startup characteristic from On/Off at full load; Vin=24V, Vo=24V, Io=12.5A, Cext=330µF.

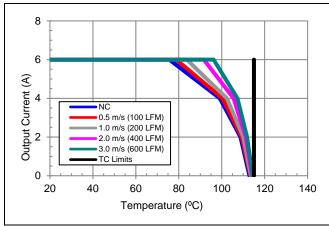
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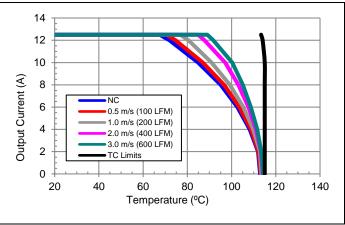


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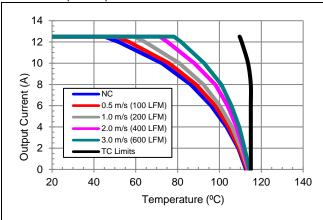
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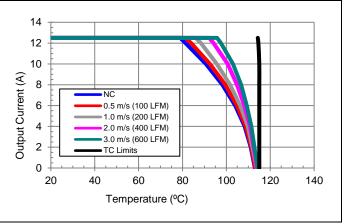




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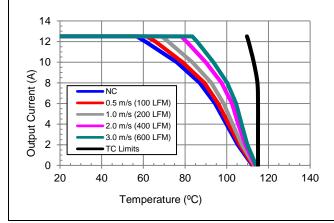
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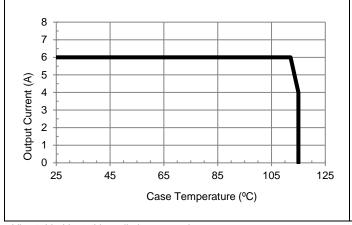


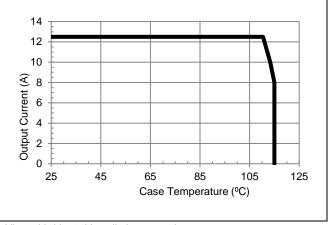
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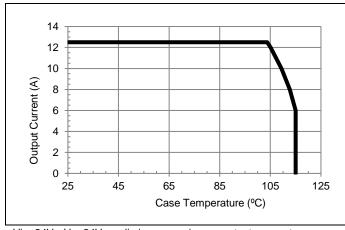
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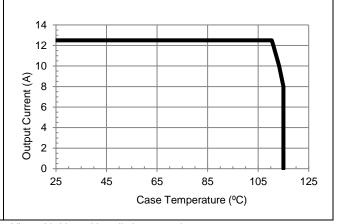




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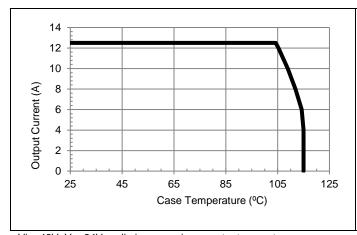
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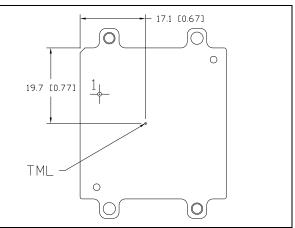




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RGC - thermal measurement location.



Electrical Characteristics:

RGC4W300W008A-xxx (8A)

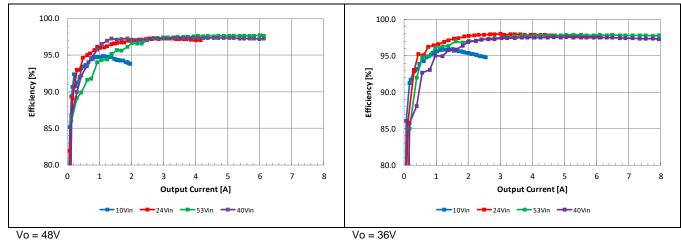
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Line Regulation		0.8		%	Vin=Vin,min to Vin,max
Load Regulation		0.5		%	lo=lo,min to lo,max
Output Current	0		8	А	Observe maximum power limit. Allowable output current varies with input voltage, please refer to chart
Output Current Limiting Threshold		15		Α	Vo = 0.9*Vonom, Tc <tc,max, For –Px3 option Ritrim = open</tc,max,
Output Current Limiting Adjustment Range	2		15	Α	Only for -Px3 option, Tc = 25°C
Output Current Limiting Adjustment Tolerance		+/-8%		%	Only for -Px3 option, Tc = 25°C Vin = 24V; Vout = 9.5V; Ritrim = 5.1kohm
Short Circuit Current		2.5		Α	Vo = 0.25V, Tc = 25°C
Over Temperature Protection Threshold		130		°C	Referenced hot spot
Output Ripple and Noise Voltage Step down: 53Vin, 24Vo, 8A		60		mVpp	Measured across one 330 μF electrolytic capacitor and one 22μF ceramic capacitor
Step up : 10Vin, 24Vo, 4A		300		mVpp	– see input/output ripple measurement figure; BW = 20MHz.
Output Voltage Adjustment Range	9.6		48	V	
Output Voltage Sense Range			5	%	
Dynamic Response: Recovery Time		300		us	di/dt =1A/uS, Vin=Vin,nom; Vo=12V, load step from 25% to 75% of lo,max
Transient Voltage		400		mV	
Switching Frequency		250		kHz	Fixed, at light loads the module may skip pulses
External Load Capacitance	330		3000*	μF	
Vref		1.0		V	Required for trim calculation
Vonom		9.35		V	Required for trim calculation
F		30100		Ω	Required for trim calculation
G		750		Ω	Required for trim calculation

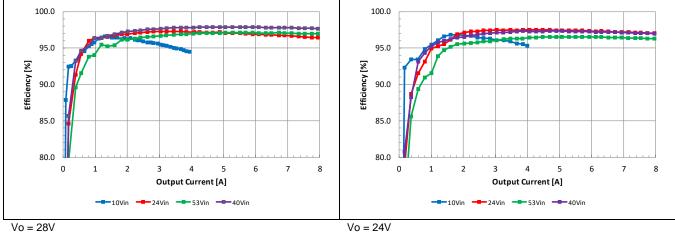
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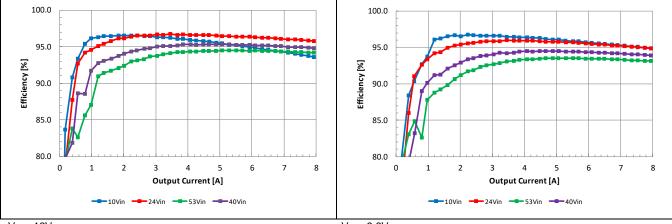
Typical Efficiency vs. Input Voltage:

RGC4W300W008A-xxx (8A)





Vo = 24V

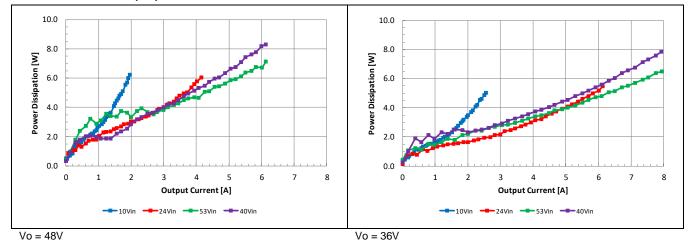


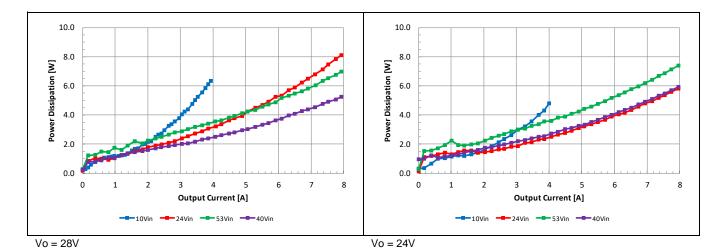
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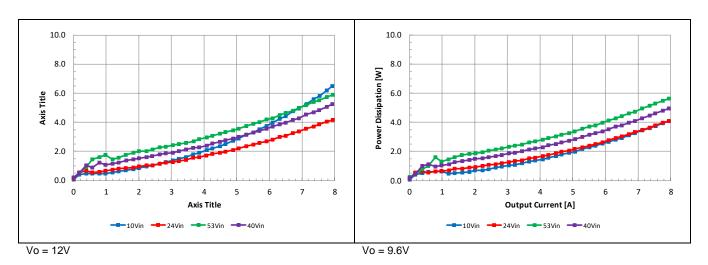


Typical Power Dissipation vs. Input Voltage:

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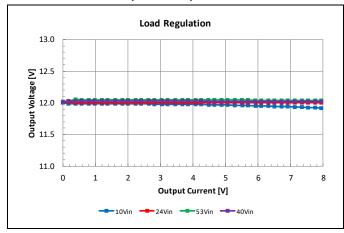


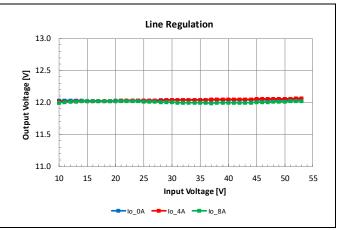


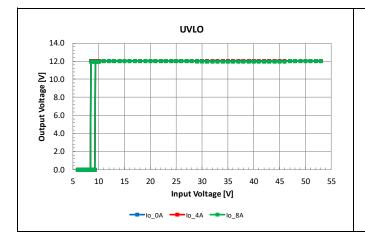


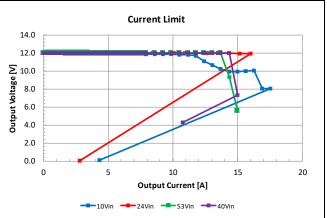
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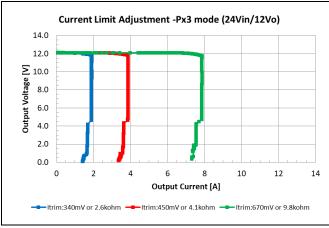
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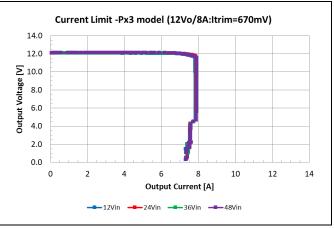












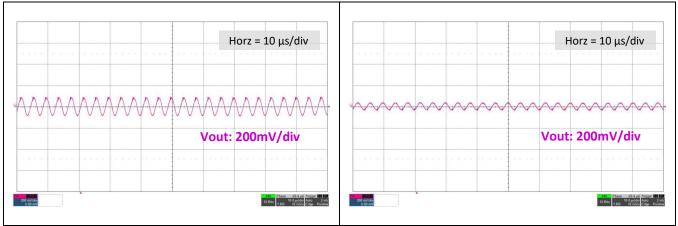
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With resistive load.



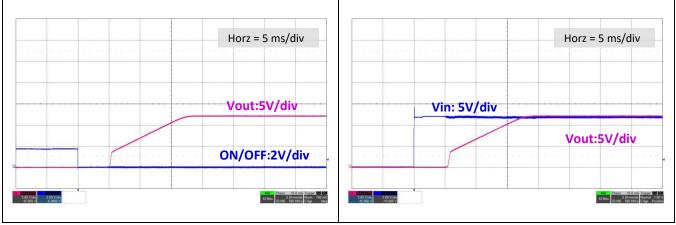
Typical Waveform:

RGC4W300W008A-xxx (Vo = 12V)



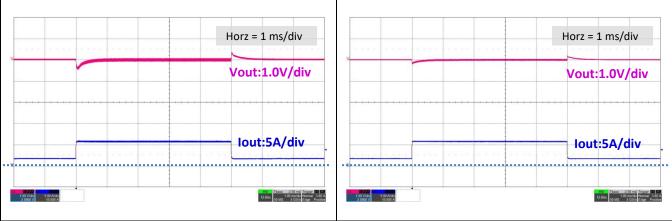
Typical Output Ripple at full load with step-up mode; Vin=10V, Vo=12V, Io=8.0A; Cext=330 μ F with 60mohm ESR of electrolytic capacitor.

Typical Output Ripple at full load with step-down mode; Vin=24V, Vo=12V, Io=8.0A; Cext=330 μ F with 60mohm ESR of electrolytic capacitor



Typical startup characteristic from on/off at full load; Vin=12V, Vo=12V, Io=8.0A, Cext=330µF.

Typical startup characteristic from Vin at full load; Vin=12V, Vo=12V, Io=8.0A, Cext=330µF.



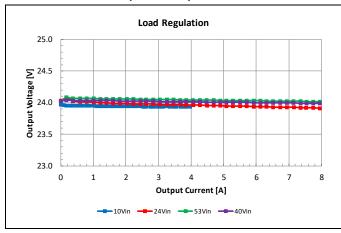
Typical Load transient response with step-up mode; Load Step from/to 25%(2A) and 75%(6A) with Slew rate of $1.0A/\mu s$; Vin=10V, Vo=12V Cext = $330\mu F$.

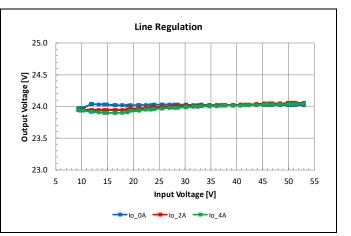
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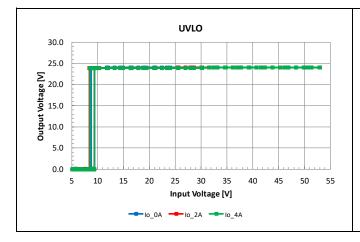


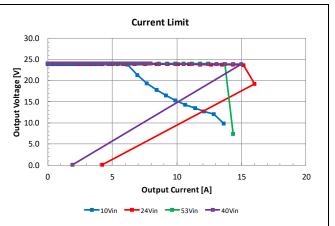
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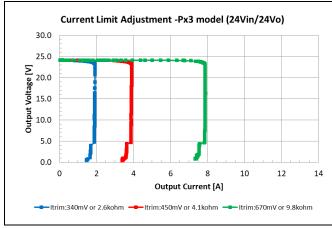
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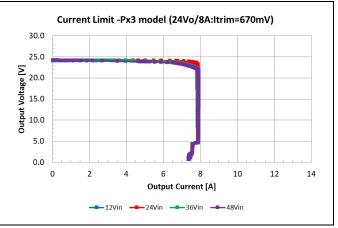












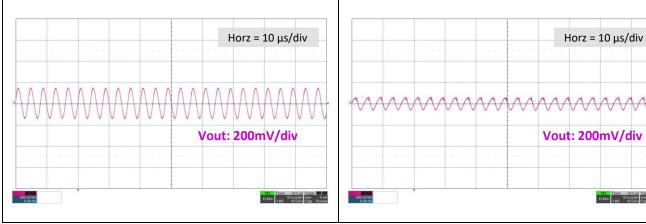
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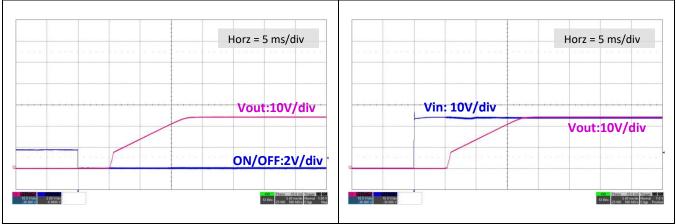
Typical Waveform:

RGC4W300W008A-xxx (Vo = 24V)



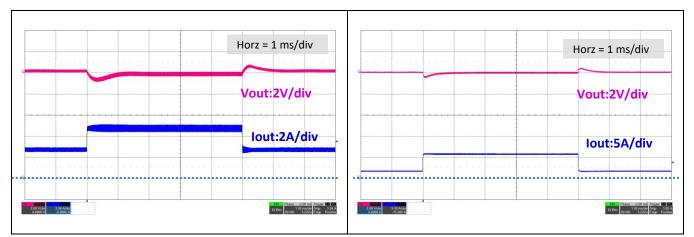
Typical Output Ripple at full load with step-up mode; Vin=10V, Vo=24V, Io=4.0A; Cext=330 μ F with 60mohm ESR of electrolytic capacitor.

Typical Output Ripple at full load with step-down mode; Vin=24V, Vo=24V, Io=8.0A; Cext=330 μ F with 60mohm ESR of electrolytic capacitor.



Typical startup characteristic from On/Off at full load; Vin=24V, Vo=24V, lo=8A, Cext=330 μ F.

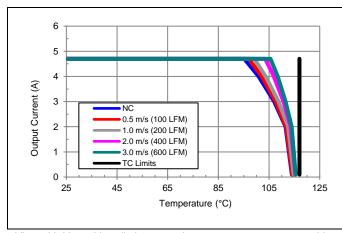
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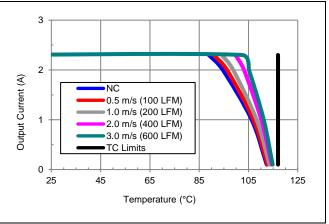


Typical Load transient response with step-up mode; Load Step from/to 25%(1A) and 75%(3A) with Slew rate of 1.0A/ μ s; Vin=10V, Vo=24V Cext = 330 μ F.

Typical Load transient response with step-down mode; Load Step from/to 25%(2A) and 75%(6A) with Slew rate of 1.0A/ μ s; Vin=53V, Vo=24V Cext = 330 μ F.

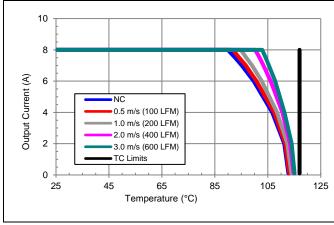
Thermal Performance: RGC4W300W008A

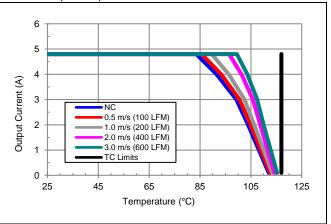




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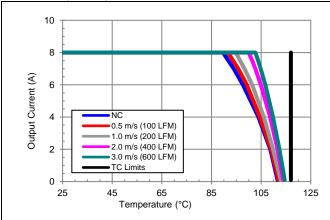
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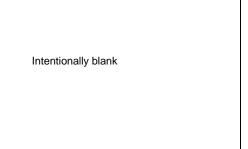




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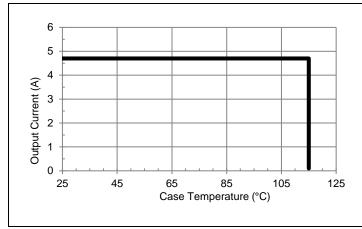


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The thermal curves provided are based on measurements made in TDK-Lambda's test setup that is described in the Thermal Management section. Due to the large number of variables in system design and the extremely wide operating range of the module. TDK-Lambda recommends that the user verify the module's thermal performance in the end application. The critical component should be thermocoupled, monitored and should not exceed the temperature limit specified in the derating curve above. It is critical that the thermocouple be mounted in a manner that gives direct thermal contact or significant measurement errors may result. TDK-Lambda can provide modules with a thermocouple pre-mounted to the critical component for system verification tests.



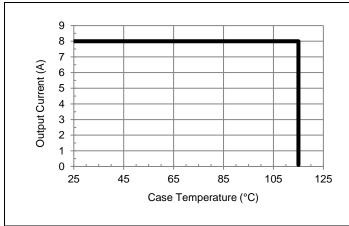
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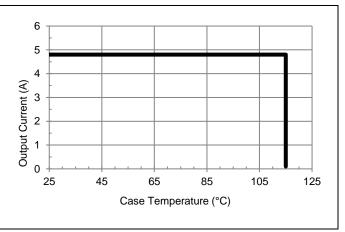


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Vin=12V, Vo=24V preliminary maximum output current vs. case temperature with enclosed environment.

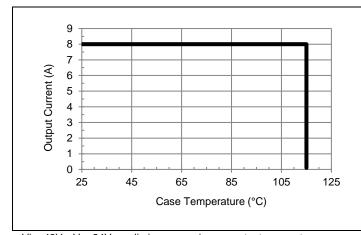
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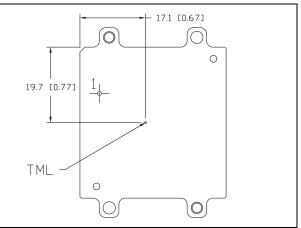




Vin=24V, Vo=24V preliminary maximum output current vs. case temperature with enclosed environment.

Vin=24V, Vo=48V preliminary maximum output current vs. case temperature with enclosed environment.





Vin=48V, Vo=24V preliminary maximum output current vs. case temperature with enclosed environment.

RGC - thermal measurement location.



Thermal Management:

An important part of the overall system design process is thermal management; thermal design must be considered at all levels to ensure good reliability and lifetime of the final system. Superior thermal design and the ability to operate in severe application environments are key elements of a robust, reliable power module.

A finite amount of heat must be dissipated from the power module to the surrounding environment. This heat is transferred by the three modes of heat transfer: convection, conduction and radiation. While all three modes of heat transfer are present in every application, convection is the dominant mode of heat transfer in most applications. However, to ensure adequate cooling and proper operation, all three modes should be considered in a final system configuration.

The open frame design of the power module provides an air path to individual components. This air path improves convection cooling to the surrounding environment, which reduces areas of heat concentration and resulting hot spots.

Test Setup:

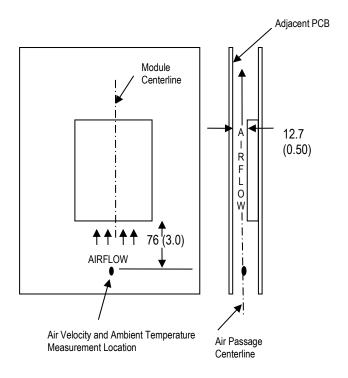
The thermal performance data of the power module is based upon measurements obtained from a wind tunnel test with the setup shown in the wind tunnel figure. This thermal test setup replicates the typical thermal environments encountered in most modern electronic systems with distributed power architectures. The electronic equipment in networking, telecom, wireless, and advanced computer systems operate in similar environments and utilizes vertically mounted PCBs or circuit cards in cabinet racks.

The power module, as shown in the figure, is mounted on a printed circuit board (PCB) and is vertically oriented within the wind tunnel. The cross section of the airflow passage is rectangular. The spacing between the top of the module and a parallel facing PCB is kept at a constant (0.5 in). The power module's orientation with respect to the airflow direction can have a significant impact on the module's thermal performance.

Thermal De-rating:

For proper application of the power module in a given thermal environment, output current de-rating curves are provided as a design guideline on the Thermal Performance section for the power module of interest. The module temperature should be measured in the final system configuration to ensure proper thermal management of the power module. For thermal performance verification, the module temperature should be measured at the component indicated in the thermal measurement location figure on the thermal performance page for the power module of interest.

In all conditions, the power module should be operated below the maximum operating temperature shown on the de-rating curve. For improved design margins and enhanced system reliability, the power module may be operated at temperatures below the maximum rated operating temperature.



Wind Tunnel Test Setup Figure
(Dimensions are in millimeters and (inches)

Heat transfer by convection can be enhanced by increasing the airflow rate that the power module experiences. The maximum output current of the power module is a function of ambient temperature (Ta) and airflow rate as shown in the thermal performance figures on the thermal performance page for the power module of interest. The curves in the figures are shown for natural convection through 2 m/s (400 ft/min). The data for the natural convection condition has been collected at 0.3 m/s (60 ft/min) of airflow, which is the typical airflow generated by other heat dissipating components in many of the systems that these types of modules are used in. In the final system configurations, the airflow rate for the natural convection condition can vary due to temperature gradients from other heat dissipating components.

Operating Information:

Over-Current Protection:

The power modules have output overload protection to protect the module during severe overload conditions. During overload conditions, the power modules may protect themselves by reducing output voltage to limit power or by entering a hiccup current limit mode. The modules will operate normally once the output current returns to the specified operating range. Long term operation outside the rated conditions and prior to the hiccup protection engaging is not recommended unless measures are taken to ensure the module's thermal limits are being observed.

Thermal Protection:

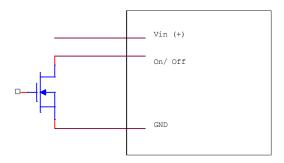
When the power modules exceed the maximum operating temperature, the modules may turn-off to safeguard the power unit against thermal damage. The module will auto restart as the unit is cooled below the over temperature threshold.

Remote On/Off:

The power modules have an internal Remote On/Off circuit. The user must supply a compatible switch between the GND pin and the On/Off pin. The maximum voltage generated by the power module at the On/Off terminal is 5V. The maximum allowable leakage current of the switch is 10 μA for negative logic and 5uA for positive logic. The switch must be capable of maintaining a low signal Von/off < 0.25V while sinking 1mA. A voltage source should not be applied to the On/Off terminal.

The standard Remote On/Off is negative logic. In the circuit configuration shown the power module will turn on if the external switch is on and it will be off if the external switch is off. If the negative logic feature is not being used, terminal 2 should be connected to ground.

An optional positive logic On/Off logic is available. In the circuit configuration shown the power module will turn off if the external switch is on and it will be on if the switch is off and the On/Off pin is open. If the positive logic feature is not being used, terminal 2 should be left open.



On/Off Circuit for Positive or Negative Logic

Remote Sense:

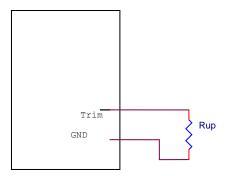
The power modules feature remote sense to compensate for the effect of output distribution drops. The output voltage sense range defines the maximum voltage allowed between the output power and sense terminals, and it is found on the electrical data page for the power module of interest. If the remote sense feature is not being used, the Sense terminal should be connected to the Vo terminal.

The output voltage at the Vo terminal can be increased by either the remote sense or the output voltage adjustment feature. The maximum voltage increase allowed is the larger of the remote sense range or the output voltage adjustment range; it is not the sum of both. As the output voltage increases due to the use of the remote sense, the maximum output current may need to be decreased for the power module to remain below its maximum power rating.

Output Voltage Adjustment:

The output voltage of the power module may be adjusted by using an external resistor connected between the Vout trim terminal and GND terminal.

Care should be taken to avoid injecting noise into the power module's trim pin.



Circuit to Increase Output Voltage

With a resistor between the trim and GND terminals, the output voltage is adjusted up. To adjust the output voltage from Vonom to Vo,up the trim resistor should be chosen according to the following equation:

$$Rup = \left(\frac{F \ x \ Vref}{Vo, up - Vonom}\right) - G$$

Output Voltage Adjustment: (continued)

The values of Vonom, G, and F are found in the electrical data section for the power module of interest. The maximum power available from the power module is fixed. As the output voltage is trimmed up, the maximum output current must be decreased to maintain the maximum rated power of the module.

Example 1: RGC4W300W008A to be trimmed up to 12Vout

Given:

F = 30100G = 750

Vref = 1.0

Vonom = 9.35 (from Electrical Characteristic table)

Vo,up =12 (desired output voltage)

Then,

$$Rup = \left(\frac{30100 \times 1.0}{12 - 9.35}\right) - 750 = \mathbf{10608} \, \Omega$$

Example 2: RGC4W300W012A to be trimmed up to 12Vout

Given:

F = 30100

G = 1000

Vref = 1.0

Vonom = 5 (from Electrical Characteristic table)

Vo,up = 12 (desired output voltage)

Then,

$$Rup = \left(\frac{30100 \times 1.0}{12 - 5.013}\right) - 1000 = 3308 \,\Omega$$

Trim Table for RGC4W300W008A

Vout	Rup(ohm)
9.4	OPEN
9.6	125k
12.0	10.6k
18.0	2730
24.0	1306
28.0	865
48.0	29

Trim Table for RGC4W120A050V

Vout	Rup(ohm)
5.0	OPEN
9.6	5563
12.0	3308
15.0	2014
18.0	1318
24.0	585
28.0	310

Power Good:

The power module features an optional open-drain Power Good signal which indicates if the output voltage is being regulated. When power is applied to the module, and the output voltage is typically within ±12% of the nominal voltage set point the Power Good will be pulled to ground through a 250-ohm maximum impedance. If the voltage is outside of the range due to input under voltage, over temperature, over load, or loss of regulation, the Power Good pin will revert to a high impedance state. A 15 kohm resistor is recommended if pulling up to 3.3V source. The voltage on the Power Good pin should be limited to less than 6V in all cases. If the power good feature is not used, the pin should be left open.

Synchronization:

The RGC modules can be synchronized to an external clock within ±15% of nominal value shown on electrical characteristics page by using pin 32 (SYNC).

The SYNC signal should be 50% duty cycle square wave with 2V minimum logic high and 0.4V maximum for logic low. The voltage at the SYNC pin should be less than 5.25V.

The SYNC pin must be connected to ground when not in use.

Current Monitor:

The optional Current Monitor pin 34, can be used for estimating the output current being delivered by the RGC power module.

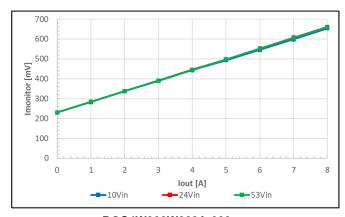
The pin provides a voltage which is linearly related to the output current as indicated in the tables below. The information can be used to assist in determining design margin or to implement external OCP shutdown circuits. The Current Monitor signal is a buffered real time representation of current flowing through an on-board current sense circuit near at the power module's output.

Since the Current Monitor signal provides a high ripple signal, an R-C filter, on the order of 0.1µF and 1kohm can be useful to convert the information to a DC-like waveform and extract the average value.

For questions or assistance using the Current Monitor function, please contact TDK-Lambda technical support.

Current Monitor Signal:

Jourt FAT	Typical Current Monitor Signal [mV]						
lout [A]	RGC4W300W008A	RGC4W300W012A					
0	230	230					
2	340	320					
4	450	410					
6	560	500					
8	670	590					
10	780	680					
12	890	770					



RGC4W300W008A-003: Typical Current Monitor Output Voltage vs. Output Load at Different Input Voltage

Over Current Protection Adjustment:

On modules including this feature, apply voltage signal from low impedance source (refer the table "current monitor signal" for signal level) or a resistor "Ritrim" can be added between Pin 5 and GND pin to reduce the over current protection set point and short circuit current. Running the module beyond rated full load is not recommended, so this feature can be useful to reduce device stress and avoid possible over temperature conditions in situations where over loading may occur, such as charging high value output capacitors.

If the Over Current Protection Adjustment feature is not being used, then pin 5 should be left open. If the OCP Threshold is set too low, the module may not start. Please refer to "Output Current Limiting Adjustment Range" in Electrical Characteristic section of the data sheet.

The OCP adjustment feature can also be used to enable paralleling of RGC modules or to achieve constant current operating modes.

For additional assistance using this feature, please contact TDK-Lambda technical support.

Itrim Resistor "Ritrim":

To adjust the Over Current Protection, the trim resistor should be chosen according to the following equation:

Ritrim (kohm) =
$$\frac{Vitrim}{\left(\frac{(2 - Vitrim)}{A} - \frac{Vitrim}{B}\right)}$$

$$Vitrim = 0.230 + (C * Iocp)$$

	RGC4W300W008A	RGC4W300W012A
Α	10.5	20.5
В	11.5	22.1
С	0.055	0.045

Example: RGC4W300W008A to be adjust to 5A

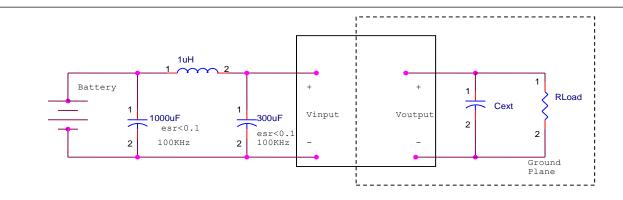
$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Vitrim} = 0.230 + (0.055 * 5\text{A}) = 0.505 \\ & \text{Ritrim} = \frac{0.505}{\left(\frac{(2 - 0.505)}{10.5} - \frac{0.505}{11.5}\right)} = \textbf{5}.\,\textbf{129} \textbf{kohm} \end{aligned}$$

Ritrim Table

Typical OCP Threshold [A]	Typical Itrim resistor [kohm]	
	RGC4W300W008A	RGC4W300W012A
2	2.645	-
3	3.333	5.772
4	4.148	6.948
5	5.129	8.306
8	9.794	14.02
12	31.42	30.60
14	120.8	51.51



Input / Output Ripple and Noise Measurements:



The input reflected ripple is measured with a current probe and oscilloscope. The ripple current is the current through the 1uH inductor.

The output ripple measurement is made approximately 9 cm (3.5 in.) from the power module using an oscilloscope and BNC socket. The capacitor Cext is located about 5 cm (2 in.) from the power module; its value varies from code to code and is found on the electrical data page for the power module of interest under the ripple & noise voltage specification in the Notes & Conditions column

EMC Considerations:

TDK-Lambda power modules are designed for use in a wide variety of systems and applications. For assistance with designing for EMC compliance, please contact TDK-Lambda technical support.

Input Impedance:

The source impedance of the power feeding the DC/DC converter module will interact with the DC/DC converter. To minimize the interaction, low-ESR capacitors should be located at the input to the module. It is recommended that a $220\mu\text{F}-440\mu\text{F}$ input capacitor be placed near the module.

Reliability:

The power modules are designed using TDK-Lambda's stringent design guidelines for component derating, product qualification, and design reviews. The MTBF is calculated to be greater than 10 million hours at full output power and Ta = 40°C using the Telcordia SR-332 calculation method.

Quality:

TDK-Lambda's product development process incorporates advanced quality planning tools such as FMEA and Cpk analysis to ensure designs are robust and reliable. All products are assembled at ISO certified assembly plants.

Safety Considerations:

For safety agency approval of the system in which the DC-DC power module is installed, the power module must be installed in compliance with the creepage and clearance requirements of the safety agency.

To preserve maximum flexibility, the power modules are not internally fused. An external input line normal blow fuse with a maximum value of 30A is generally required by safety agencies. A lower value fuse can be selected based upon the maximum dc input current and maximum inrush energy of the power module.

Warranty:

TDK-Lambda's comprehensive line of power solutions includes efficient, high-density DC-DC converters. TDK-Lambda offers a three-year limited warranty. Complete warranty information is listed on our web site or is available upon request from TDK-Lambda.

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